

One Hundred First Legislature - First Session - 2009 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB 301

Chairperson: Tim Gay

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: January 30, 2009

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 301 amends the current law which governs patients' access to their medical records and allows medical providers to charge for the costs incurred in providing copies of them. LB 301 eliminates an exemption in the current law which prohibits providers from charging for medical records that are used to support applications for certain disability or other benefits or assistance. Removing this exemption would require the agencies and beneficiaries under the specified programs to bear the costs of locating and copying such records, rather than medical providers.

Principal Introducer:	
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