

One Hundred First Legislature - Second Session - 2010 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB 828

Chairperson: Tim Gay

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: January 28, 2010

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

Legislative Bill 828 amends the Medical Radiography Practice Act to clarify the current scope of practice for licensed medical radiographers.

Prior to the licensing provisions for medical radiographers being transferred to the Uniform Credentialing Act, medical radiographers were licensed under the Radiation Control Act. Under the Radiation Control Act the definition for medical radiography was specific to the application of radiation to patients and how the use of X-ray equipment and positioning of patients directly affected the dose of radiation received by the patients. However, this definition does not accurately reflect the existing education or examination requirements that must be met for medical radiographers to obtain a license to practice in Nebraska. Therefore, LB 828 clarifies current licensing requirements by more clearly specifying the current scope of practice of medical radiographers.

LB 828 adds a definition of patient care and management as relates to medical radiography. It modifies the definition of medical radiography. It also updates the educational requirements to reflect today's medical radiography training and practice.

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