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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Rich Pahls

Committee: Banking, Commerce and Insurance

Date of Hearing: February 15, 2011

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

The purpose of Legislative Bill 280 is to adopt the Discretionary Clause Prohibition Act. The purpose of the Act is to assure that health insurance benefits and disability income protection coverage are contractually guaranteed and to avoid the conflict of interest that occurs when the health carrier or insurer responsible for providing benefits has discretionary authority to decide what benefits are due.

Principal Introducer:	
•	Senator Steve Lathrop