

One Hundred Third Legislature - First Session - 2013

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB528

Chairperson: Senator Kathy Campbell

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: March 01, 2013

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

LB 528 seeks to provide medical practitioners with a tool critical to stemming the high rates of sexually transmitted diseases.

LB 528 would allow expedited partner therapy (EPT) for the treatment of gonorrhea and chlamydia. EPT is the practice of allowing a physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse who diagnoses a STD in a patient to prescribe, provide, or dispense medications to that patient's partner(s) without examination of said partner(s) in accordance with recommendations and guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Sara Howard