

**One Hundred Fifth Legislature - First Session - 2017**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB391**

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**Chairperson: Senator Merv Riepe**

**Committee: Health and Human Services**

**Date of Hearing: March 03, 2017**

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

LB 391 would allow optometrists to administer injections of pharmaceutical agents and perform minor surgical procedures required for the treatment of cysts or infected/inflamed glands of the eyelid. The legislation would also require additional education and clinical training pertaining to the requested new authority for optometrists licensed in our state.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

Senator Dan Watermeier