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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB402

Chairperson: Senator Merv Riepe

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 15, 2017

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

LB 402 seeks to alter the Technical Review Process that was put into statute in 1985. The Technical Review Process was dubbed the "407 process" after LB 407 was passed by the legislature. The purpose was to set up a fact-finding body in regard to the need for regulation of health professionals or a change in scope of practice of health professionals. Many who have taken part in the 407 process in recent years have observed it to be very adversarial and burdensome.

LB 402 seeks changes in the Technical Review Process only in regard to scope of practice changes in an attempt to make it less adversarial and less burdensome for applicant and affected groups.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Robert Hilkemann