

# One Hundred Fifth Legislature - Second Session - 2018

## Introducer's Statement of Intent

**LB672**

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**Chairperson: Senator Laura Ebke**

**Committee: Judiciary**

**Date of Hearing: January 17, 2018**

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

Legislative Bill 672 would provide the Department of Correctional Services with the authority to release inmates who are determined by the Department to be terminally ill or permanently incapacitated.

The Department shall identify inmates who may be eligible for medical release based upon their medical records.

If an inmate is released, the Department shall require that the committed offender agree to placement for medical treatment and that he or she be placed for a definite or indefinite period of time in a hospital, a hospice, or another housing accommodation suitable to his or her medical condition, as specified by the department.

If during the term of medical release the physical condition of the inmate improves to the extent that the inmate is no longer eligible for medical release, the Department may direct that the inmate be returned to the custody of the Department.

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

Senator Bob Krist