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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB411

Chairperson: Senator John Arch

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 10, 2021

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

LB 411 amends section 81-6,125 to add new language, which provides that any health care facility as defined in 71-413 or payor as defined in 25-21,247 shall participate in the state designated health information exchange (SDHIE) no later than September 30, 2021. Clinical information that is to be shared to the SDHIE shall be determined by the Health Information Technology Board.

This legislation also provides that any health care facility that establishes a connection prior to July 1, 2021 shall participate/connect at no cost to the facility.

For purposes of LB 411, Health Care Facility includes, an ambulatory surgical center, an assisted-living facility, a center or group home for the developmentally disabled, a critical access hospital, a general acute hospital, a health clinic, a hospital, an intermediate care facility, an intermediate care facility for persons with developmental disabilities, a long-term care hospital, a mental health substance use treatment center, a nursing facility, a PACE center, a pharmacy, a psychiatric or mental hospital, a public health clinic, a rehabilitation hospital, or a skilled nursing facility.

A payor includes, an insurer, a health maintenance organization, Medicare or Medicaid, a legal entity which is self-insured and provides health care benefits for its employees; or a person responsible for administering the payment of health care expenses for another person or entity.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Steve Lathrop