## One Hundred Fifth Legislature - First Session - 2017

## **Introducer's Statement of Intent**

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**Chairperson: Senator Laura Ebke** 

**Committee: Judiciary** 

Date of Hearing: February 09, 2017

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

Authorize the use of surrogates to be designated by an adult or an emancipated minor to assist and make health care decisions when an individual is incapacitated when no guardian has been appointed. The bill also establishes that if there is no surrogate designated, the following order of priority for who may act as a surrogate: spouse, adult child, parent, adult sibling.

Principal Introducer:	
	Senator Kate Bolz