

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

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

### **LB283**

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**Chairperson: Senator Merv Riepe**

**Committee: Health and Human Services**

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

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

LB 283 would permit application of intravenous therapy by licensed practical nurses and eliminates the Licensed Practical Nurse-Certified Practice Act. A Licensed Practical Nurse under this bill may provide intravenous therapy if he/she holds (a) holds a valid license issued before May 1, 2016, by the department pursuant to the Licensed Practical Nurse-Certified Practice Act as such act existed on such date, (b) graduates from an approved program of practical nursing on or after May 1, 2016, or (c) holds a valid license as a licensed practical nurse issued on or before May 1, 2016, and completes, within five years after the operative date of this section, (i) an eight-hour didactic course in intravenous therapy which shall include, but not be limited to, peripheral intravenous lines, central lines, and legal aspects of intravenous therapy and (ii) an approved employer-specific intravenous therapy skills course.

Furthermore, LB 283 provides that a Licensed Practical Nurse who is not required to provide intravenous therapy in the course of employment is not required to complete an employer-specific intravenous therapy skills course.

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

Senator Merv Riepe