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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB323

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:

LB323 creates two entities, first, the Palliative Care Consumer and Professional Information and Education Program. This program provides that the Department of Health and Human Services will provide the following information via their website that includes:

- Continuing education opportunities for health care professionals;
- Delivery of palliative care in the home;
- Best practices;
- Educational material; and
- Referral information for hospice and palliative care

LB323 also creates the Palliative Care and Quality of Life Advisory Council. This advisory council will consult with and advise the Department of Health and Human Services on matters relating to palliative care initiatives.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Mark Kolterman