

**Legislature - First Session - 2019**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB730**

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**Chairperson: Senator Sara Howard**

**Committee: Health and Human Services**

**Date of Hearing: February 06, 2019**

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

In order to provide a more streamlined licensure structure for Advance Practice Registered Nurses, LB 730 combines the four existing practice acts into one Act. The following practice acts are eliminated: Nurse Practitioner Act, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist, Clinical Nurse Specialist, and Certified Nurse Midwifery. The combined act does not change the scope of practice.

LB 730 also removes the requirement for a certified nurse midwife to have a state-mandated written practice agreement but maintains the prohibition against certified nurse midwives attending home births. LB 730 does not change the practice of the certified nurse midwife.

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

Senator Lynne Walz