

**One Hundred Seventh Legislature - Second Session - 2022**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB906**

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**Chairperson: Senator John Arch**

**Committee: Health and Human Services**

**Date of Hearing: January 27, 2022**

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

As introduced, LB 906 would require the Department of Health and Human Services to provide a vaccine exemption form on their website. An employee who does not consent to vaccine requirements from their employer would be able to submit the vaccine exemption form to their employer.

The employer must accept and provide a vaccine exemption for the all employees who submit a vaccine exemption form. The employer may require periodic testing and/or personal protective equipment for all exempted employees at the employer's expense.

AM 1675 is a white-copy amendment that would replace the original provisions of LB 906. Under the amendment, the vaccine exemption form provided by the Department of Health and Human Services would be limited for the use of COVID-19 vaccine requirements only and would allow for religious and medical exemptions.

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

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