

One Hundred Seventh Legislature - Second Session - 2022

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB963

Chairperson: Senator John Arch

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: March 02, 2022

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

LB 963 adopts the Medical Ethics and Diversity Act ("MED Act") to protect the right of conscience for medical practitioners, health care institutions, and health care payers by providing that no medical practitioner, health care institution, or health care payer should be compelled to participate in or pay for any medical procedure or prescribe or pay for any medication, which such person or entity objects to on the basis of conscience.

It is the purpose of the MED Act to protect medical practitioners, health care institutions, and health care payers from discrimination, punishment or retaliation as a result of any instance of conscientious medical objection.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Dave Murman