

# **One Hundred Eighth Legislature - Second Session - 2024**

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

### **LB1172**

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**Chairperson: Senator Ben Hansen**

**Committee: Health and Human Services**

**Date of Hearing: February 01, 2024**

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

LB1172 updates reporting procedures for the state cancer registry that was created in 1982. The registry is currently in a bottleneck creating delays in reporting requests to researchers. Some requests are now taking over a year to report. Many researchers are now relying on data from other states. These delays are also impeding researchers from accessing crucial funding sources, specifically from the National Institute of Health. The state risks losing top tier researchers to more accessible data environments found in other states. LB1172 will create a reasonable eight week reporting structure while protecting patient confidentiality and alleviate the current reporting bottleneck.

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

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