Legislature - First Session - 2019

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB600

Chairperson: Senator Mike Hilgers

Committee: Executive Board

Date of Hearing: February 27, 2019

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

LB600 modifies the authority of the deputy public counsel for institutions to follow up with individuals who were patients within the prior twenty-four months of a state-owned and state-operated regional center. The bill allows for a more robust examination of mental health needs and systems challenges.

The bill also appropriately clarifies that the Veterans institutions is no longer under the Department of Health and Human Services, but is now operated by the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Lynne Walz