



Hundredth Legislature - First Session - 2007
Introducer's Statement of Intent
LB 631

Chairperson: Joel Johnson
Committee: Health and Human Services
Date of Hearing: February 15, 2007

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

LB 631 amends Nebraska statutes to prohibit the exchange of anti-epileptic drugs. Once a patient has been prescribed medicine to treat epilepsy or for the treatment or prevention of seizures, substitution for another brand or generic medication is prohibited.

AM0075 will be introduced at the hearing. This amendment includes anti-rejection transplant drugs to the list of medication substitutions (brand or generic) that are prohibited.

Some epilepsy and organ transplant patients have been severely affected by substitutions of medications. This bill is intended to protect patients and ensure they receive the prescribed medication from their medical practitioners.

Principal Introducer: _____
Senator M.L. Dierks