



Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 809**

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**Chairperson:** Joel Johnson  
**Committee:** Health and Human Services  
**Date of Hearing:** January 25, 2008

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

LB 809 would provide a religious exemption to infant screening test requirements. An infant shall be exempt if a parent or guardian of the infant objects to the screening tests based on grounds that the tests conflict with the sincerely held religious beliefs of the parent or guardian. The objection shall be reported to the Department of Health and Human Services.

The state as well as health care providers shall not be held liable for reporting information to the department prior to the parent or guardian's objection.

**Principal Introducer:**

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**Senator John Synowiecki**