

## One Hundred First Legislature - First Session - 2009 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB 604

**Chairperson:** Tim Gay

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: February 27, 2009

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

LB 604 will exempt from the pharmacy licensure and delegated dispensing requirements certain medical oxygen suppliers that supply medical oxygen to patients pursuant to a medical order. The exempted medical oxygen suppliers would be only those accredited by an accrediting body recognized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for purposes of mandatory accrediting under the Medicare Part B Home Medical Equipment Services Benefit.

This will promote public safety, reduce costs, and enhance access of the public to needed medical services.

Principal Introducer:	
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