



**One Hundred First Legislature - First Session - 2009**  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 675**

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**Chairperson:** Brad Ashford  
**Committee:** Judiciary  
**Date of Hearing:** March 5, 2009

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

LB 675 intends to ensure that a woman's consent to an elective abortion is one that is better informed. The bill ensures that the woman seeking the abortion be provided with necessary information regarding certain additional medical risks associated with abortion and the availability of free ultrasounds at other facilities within the community. It further provides that when an ultrasound is performed by the physician performing the abortion, that it be performed at least one hour prior to the abortion and that the ultrasound image be displayed such that it is viewable by the woman, should she so choose to view the ultrasound. These provisions are intended to ensure that the sufficiency of medical information conveyed by the doctor to the patient in the abortion context approaches the gravity of the act.

**Principal Introducer:**

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**Senator Tony Fulton**