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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB167

Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 26, 2021

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

LB167 protects churches and other religious organizations from government discrimination by establishing that government officials cannot treat churches and other religious organizations worse than similarly situated businesses and organizations during a public crisis, natural disaster, or other event that triggers the use of emergency powers by the government.

It permits the government to implement neutral health and safety requirements on all businesses and services.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Suzanne Geist