

**One Hundred Ninth Legislature - First Session - 2025**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB252**

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**Chairperson: Senator Mike Jacobson**

**Committee: Banking, Commerce and Insurance**

**Date of Hearing: February 24, 2025**

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

LB252 ensures patients, especially those with risk factors for opioid misuse, addiction, and overdose, have equal access to non-opioid drugs when covered by insurance or Medicaid. The bill also ensure prescribers are not prevented from prescribing a non-opioid drug due to formulary placement or utilization management barriers.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Senator Eliot Bostar**