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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB367

Chairperson: Senator Brian Hardin

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: March 19, 2025

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

LB 367 protects minors by prohibiting credentialed health care professionals from administering the harmful and debunked practice known as conversion therapy to anyone under age 19.

Conversion therapy is defined as a practice that seeks to change an individual's sexual orientation or gender identity. Under LB 367, providing conversion therapy constitutes a deceptive trade practice under the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act. The bill does not apply to a practice or treatment conducted by a clergy member or religious counselor who is acting in a pastoral or religious capacity and not as a health professional. Finally, the bill prohibits the expenditure of public funds on conversion therapy services.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Megan Hunt