

One Hundred Ninth Legislature - First Session - 2025

Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB41

Chairperson: Senator Brian Hardin

Committee: Health and Human Services

Date of Hearing: January 23, 2025

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

LB42 expands blood testing of pregnant women for syphilis, as outlined in §71-502.03(1), from a single test during the first trimester to three tests: one in the first trimester, one in the third trimester, and one at birth. LB42 aligns state statute with current best practices to better detect and treat congenital syphilis.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Merv Riepe