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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB68

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:

LB 68 amends 68-901 to require private and public insurers, not preempted by federal law, to cover up to a 12-month supply of self-administered hormonal contraceptives at a time, if so prescribed by a health care provider, after covering an initial 3-month prescription. The intent of LB68 is to reduce barriers and eliminate gaps in contraception access, thereby reducing unintended pregnancies and providing cost savings to the state.

Nothing in LB68 requires an insurer who does not already provide coverage of self-administered hormonal contraceptives to newly cover such contraceptives. Additionally, nothing in LB68 requires a health care provider to prescribe up to 12 months of contraceptives at a time or limits the recipient's freedom to choose or change their method of contraceptives.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Jane Raybould