

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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The legislation protects counselors in their fundamental rights of conscience by allowing them to decline to provide services in support of objectives which violate their sincerely held principles without fear of loss of licensure or civil or criminal action. It also provides for declaratory or injunctive relief.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation does not require any expenditures from any general or agency funds since it provides protection for the sincerely held principles of the counselor or therapist.

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