

**One Hundred Eighth Legislature - First Session - 2023**

**Introducer's Statement of Intent**

**LB605**

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**Chairperson: Senator Ben Hansen**

**Committee: Health and Human Services**

**Date of Hearing: February 23, 2023**

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

LB605 will amend sections of the Uniform Credentialing Act and Mental Health Practice Act to provide for licensing of qualified art therapists as Licensed Mental Health Practitioners and Licensed Independent Mental Health Practitioners with a credential as a Certified Art Therapist. The bill provides for the certification to be administered by the Mental Health Practice Board.

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

**Senator Joni Albrecht**