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Introducer's Statement of Intent

LB831

Chairperson: Senator Steve Lathrop

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: January 27, 2022

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

LB 831 creates the Criminal Justice System Diversion Act. It authorizes counties and cities to create a diversion program for persons who are the primary caregiver of their children or a family member. Certain violent or serious criminal charges disqualify a person for consideration in the diversion program. The bill describes the training and services that may be included in the rehabilitative programming for this diversion program and defines primary caregiver.

LB 831 also allows the creation of a conditional release program by the Department of Corrections for pregnant women and postpartum women who are incarcerated. The bill describes the training and services that are required programming for a community program participating in the program.

Principal Introducer: _____

Senator Machaela Cavanaugh