House File 212 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 212 BY ANDREWS

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to consent to a hysterectomy.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

H.F. 212

- 1 Section 1. NEW SECTION. 147.115 Hysterectomy consent.
- 2 l. A woman who is eighteen years of age or older or who has
- 3 attained majority as provided in section 599.1 shall have legal
- 4 capacity to provide informed consent to a hysterectomy.
- 5 2. A person licensed or certified to practice a profession
- 6 shall not condition the provision of medical care or services
- 7 to a woman for a hysterectomy on the obtaining of consent to
- 8 the hysterectomy from any other person including the woman's
- 9 spouse.
- 10 EXPLANATION
- 11 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with 12 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 13 This bill relates to consent to a hysterectomy. The bill
- 14 provides that a woman who is 18 years of age or older or who
- 15 has attained majority by marriage shall have legal capacity to
- 16 provide informed consent to a hysterectomy. Additionally, a
- 17 health care professional shall not condition the provision of
- 18 medical care or services to a woman for a hysterectomy on the
- 19 obtaining of consent to the hysterectomy from any other person
- 20 including the woman's spouse.