

## Session 117 - (2007-2008)

### H 3283 General Bill, By Davenport

**Summary:** Health Care Freedom of Conscience Act

A BILL TO AMEND CHAPTER 41, TITLE 44 OF THE 1976 CODE BY ADDING ARTICLE 5 SO AS TO ENACT THE "HEALTH CARE FREEDOM OF CONSCIENCE ACT" TO PROVIDE THAT HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, HEALTH CARE INSTITUTIONS, AND HEALTH CARE PAYERS HAVE THE RIGHT NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN OR PAY FOR A HEALTH CARE SERVICE THAT VIOLATES THEIR CONSCIENCE, TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION AGAINST A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER, HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION, OR HEALTH CARE PAYER FOR DECLINING TO PARTICIPATE IN OR PAY FOR HEALTH CARE SERVICES THAT VIOLATE THEIR CONSCIENCE, TO PROVIDE IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY BY REASON OF THE HEALTH CARE PROVIDER, HEALTH CARE INSTITUTION, OR HEALTH CARE PAYER DECLINING TO PARTICIPATE IN OR PAY FOR A HEALTH CARE SERVICE, AND TO CREATE A CIVIL CAUSE OF ACTION FOR VIOLATIONS AND A MINIMUM AWARD FOR DAMAGES.

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