THE SENATE THE THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2022

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair Senator Stanley Chang, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 3, 2022

TIME: 9:30 AM

PLACE: Conference Room 229 & Via Videoconference

THE STATE CAPITOL IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC DURING THE ONGOING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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<u>AGENDA</u>

Status & Testimony	RELATING TO SERVICE ANIMALS Requires that a disclaimer be provided by sellers or providers of emotional support animals or certificates, identifications, tags, vests, leashes, and harnesses for emotional support animals that the animal is not a service animal. Establishes penalties.	CPN, JDC/WAM
SB 2835 Status & Testimony	RELATING TO INSURANCE. Prohibits health insurance companies from denying coverage on the basis of gender identity if the policy covers the treatment for purposes other than gender transition. Requires insurance companies to provide applicants and insured persons with clear information about the coverage of gender transition services, including the process for appealing a claim denied on the basis of medical necessity.	CPN, JDC
SB 2669 Status & Testimony	RELATING TO IN VITRO FERTILIZATION INSURANCE COVERAGE. Removes discriminatory requirements for mandatory insurance coverage of in vitro fertilization procedures to create parity of coverage for same-sex couples, unmarried women, and malefemale couples for whom male infertility is the relevant factor.	CPN, JDC
SB 2917 Status & Testimony	RELATING TO FAMILY PLANNING. Requires oocyte cryopreservation to be covered by health insurance policies. Removes one-time benefit limitation for in vitro fertilization. Reduces the number of years of infertility before becoming eligible for in vitro fertilization from five to two years.	CPN, WAM

SB 2863
Status &
Testimony

RELATING TO FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS. Exempts the sale of feminine hygiene products from the general excise tax.

CPN, WAM

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Rosalyn H. Baker Chair