

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 632

BY STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

1 RELATING TO HUMAN RIGHTS; AMENDING CHAPTER 59, TITLE 67, IDAHO CODE, BY THE  
2 ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 67-5909B, IDAHO CODE, TO PROHIBIT DENIAL OF  
3 ACCESS TO APPROPRIATE MEDICAL SERVICES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES AND  
4 TO DEFINE A TERM; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.  
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6 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

7 SECTION 1. That Chapter 59, Title 67, Idaho Code, be, and the same is  
8 hereby amended by the addition thereto of a NEW SECTION, to be known and des-  
9 ignated as Section 67-5909B, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

10 67-5909B. DENIAL OF ACCESS TO MEDICAL SERVICES -- CORONAVIRUS. (1) No  
11 health care provider, hospital, or medical care facility shall deny a person  
12 medical services appropriate for the person's condition, disease, or injury  
13 on the basis of such person's:

14 (a) Infection with coronavirus;

15 (b) Immunization status for coronavirus; or

16 (c) Refusal to receive a vaccination, take a specific medication, or  
17 receive a specific treatment for coronavirus.

18 (2) For purposes of this section, "coronavirus" means:

19 (a) Severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2;

20 (b) The disease caused by severe acute respiratory syndrome coron-  
21 avirus 2; or

22 (c) Any subsequently identified mutation, modification, or strain of  
23 coronavirus if the transmission of said virus among humans rises to the  
24 level of an epidemic or pandemic and qualifies for an emergency declara-  
25 tion under applicable Idaho law.

26 SECTION 2. An emergency existing therefor, which emergency is hereby  
27 declared to exist, this act shall be in full force and effect on and after its  
28 passage and approval.