

HOUSE BILL No. 2660

By Representative Parker

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1 AN ACT concerning health and healthcare; relating to family planning;
2 requiring the department of health and environment to make long-
3 acting reversible contraceptives more accessible.
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5 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

6 Section 1. (a) As used in this section:

7 (1) "Family planning centers" means health clinics that receive
8 funding under the federal title X family planning grant program overseen
9 by the United States department of health and human services and other
10 clinics or providers that the department of health and environment
11 determines are qualified and willing to provide comprehensive family
12 planning services.

13 (2) "Long-acting reversible contraceptives" means highly effective
14 methods of contraception that last for multiple years, the effects of which
15 are able to be reversed and that are easy to use, including, but not limited to,
16 intrauterine devices and birth control implants.

17 (b) The department of health and environment shall implement a
18 program to increase access to long-acting reversible contraceptives for
19 women. The program shall include, but not be limited to:

20 (1) Training for family planning centers regarding the use of long-
21 acting reversible contraceptive methods, and managing side effects
22 thereof, and non-coercive counseling strategies;

23 (2) training for all public health facilities to ensure that such facilities
24 are qualified and able to insert and remove long-acting reversible
25 contraceptives;

26 (3) assistance to family planning centers regarding administrative or
27 technical issues associated with long-acting reversible contraceptives,
28 including, but not limited to, coding, billing, pharmacy rules and clinic
29 management related to the provision of long-acting reversible
30 contraceptives;

31 (4) general financial support to expand the capacity of family
32 planning centers to provide long-acting reversible contraceptives and to
33 keep long-acting reversible contraceptives in stock and available for same-
34 day access by patients;

35 (5) education and outreach to the public regarding the availability,
36 effectiveness and safety of long-acting reversible contraceptives;

1 (6) a study of the feasibility and impact of making as many
2 contraceptive methods available over-the-counter and directly through
3 licensed pharmacies, including review of similar programs in California
4 and Oregon; and

5 (7) other services the department deems necessary to improve access
6 to long-acting reversible contraceptives.

7 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
8 publication in the statute book.