

Hello,

I am writing to express my opposition to Bill #5625 as the proposed definition of "surgery" has no impact on the process of electrology which is used for permanent hair removal of hair by state licensed electrologists. Wording needs to be changed to exclude electrologists from this Bill.

Hearing for HB-5625 is being held Monday, February, 23. If this bill is to become law as written it may inadvertently eliminate the authority of electrologists to practice electrology as the use of probes and needles to destroy tissue is included in the proposed definition of surgery. At the very least, it would be appropriate to have the bill's sponsor indicate on the record it was not introduced with the intention of limiting or curtailing any rights of electrologists to practice electrolysis.

Is it possible that a provision could be added to the current Section 20-9 exempting electrologists practicing electrology from the definition of 'surgery'?

Thank you for your attention in this matter.

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