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Senate Bill 246 (as enrolled) (Public Act 102 of 1988)**Sponsors: Senator Rudy J. Nichols****Senate Committee: Commerce and Technology****House Committee: Insurance****Date Completed: 6-28-88*****RATIONALE***

Notarization of a document sometimes is required to verify that a person signing the document is in fact the person whose signature appears on the document. Some people contend that the practice of notarization is not needed in all cases in which it currently is required. They argue that some specific notarization requirements needlessly add to paperwork and bureaucratic "red tape", and that, due to modern identification capabilities, the practice no longer is necessary.

CONTENT

Senate Bill 246 would amend the Nonprofit Health Care Corporation Reform Act to delete a notarization requirement for the articles of incorporation of a nonprofit health care corporation.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

ARGUMENTS***Supporting Argument***

The bill would help to reduce paperwork and "red tape". The elimination of the notarization requirement has been recommended by the Task Force on Reduction of Paperwork and Red Tape and would pose no danger to the public.

Supporting Argument

The bill would eliminate future delays similar to those that have been experienced by people who inadvertently have failed to have documents notarized.

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