

**REVENUE:** No revenue impact

**FISCAL:** Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

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**Action:** Do Pass

**Vote:** 9 - 0 - 0

**Yeas:** Barton, Cameron, Garrett, Hicks, Krieger, Olson, Tomei, Williamson, Barker

**Nays:** 0

**Exc.:** 0

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**Meeting Dates:** 4/22

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**WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:** Prohibits person from possessing tattoo equipment with the intent to use it if not licensed to do so. Assigns punishment for tattooing a minor. Creates a civil cause of action against person performing the tattoo on the minor.

**ISSUES DISCUSSED:**

- Unlicensed tattooing can spread infectious disease

**EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:** No amendment.

**BACKGROUND:** In order to be a licensed tattoo artist, a person must have training and certifications and the workplace must be open to inspection. These are all important regulations to safeguard the safety and cleanliness of the practice in order to protect consumers. Because of the nature of the business there is a serious health risk if the proper procedures and regulations are not followed. This bill would make a crime for people putting others at risk, especially minors, by engaging in the unlicensed practice of tattooing.