

BILL NUMBER: SB828

TITLE: SB828 Immigration Enforcement – Sensitive Locations – Guidelines and Policies (Protecting

Sensitive Locations Act)

COMMITTEE: Judicial Proceedings **HEARING DATE:** February 19, 2025

POSITION: Support

TurnAround, Inc respectfully requests a favorable report on Senate Bill 828. As a designated rape crisis center and domestic violence center, we know the critical importance of providing accessible services to all survivors in locations where they can be and feel safe. TurnAround supports and advocates for survivors of sexual violence, intimate partner violence, and human trafficking. These survivors already face significant hurdles to trusting and accessing systems such as social services and criminal justice, painted with extensive trauma from the violence they have experienced. Some survivors who live in fear of interactions with immigration enforcement ultimately decide to forgo services altogether because they do not know if they will be safe. Developing guidelines relating to immigration enforcement at sensitive locations will help survivors feel safer coming forward to receive critical services after trauma and will help providers enact consistent policies and procedures.

TurnAround appreciates the thoughtfulness of this legislation and requests a favorable report.