

Tracking List: AzCEP

Upcoming Hearings and Calendars

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HB2012 - Emergency use products; employers; prohibition

HB2126 - Medical records; parental rights

HB2173 - Mental health inquiry; prohibition

3/12/25 9:00 AM - Senate RAGE, SHR 109

HB2133 - Nurses; provisional licensure

HB2001 - Behavioral health; temporary licensure; graduates

Sponsor

Rep. Matt Gress (R)

Summary

Requires the Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners (ABBHE) to issue a temporary license to a person who has met listed education, fingerprint card and supervision requirements. Defines the term of the temporary license and permits the person holding the temporary license to apply client

contact work experience obtained under the temporary license to their Client Contact Work Experience Licensure Requirements. Includes the Arizona Board of Behavioral Health Examiners under the definition of "Agency" (defined). AS PASSED HOUSE

Last Action

02/25/2025 S - Senate 2nd Read

HB2012 - Emergency use products; employers; prohibition

Sponsor

Rep. Nick Kupper (R)

Summary

Prohibits an employer, "government entity" (defined,) or "health care entity" (defined) from requiring the administration of an emergency use product, per the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, and prohibits an employer from requiring the same to the employer's employees or as a condition of employment. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/06/2025 S - Hearing Scheduled - 03/12/2025, 9:00 AM - Senate HHS, SHR 2

HB2025 - Scope of practice; medical assistants (Medical assistants; scope of practice)

Sponsor

Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary

Permits a medical assistant to place a urinary catheter after completing training and under "General Supervision" (defined) of a Physician or Physician Assistant who is licensed in Arizona, or a Nurse Practitioner, Clinical Nurse Specialist or Certified Nurse Midwife who is certified and licensed in Arizona, pursuant to state law. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/05/2025 S - DP - Senate Health and Human Services

HB2034 - ASRS; supplemental employee deferral plan

Sponsor

Rep. David Livingston (R)

Summary

Prohibits an employee participating in a public retirement system, pursuant to state law, from participating in a supplemental deferral plan as defined by this legislation. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/03/2025 S - DP - Senate Finance

HB2035 - ASRS; termination incentive programs

Sponsor

Rep. David Livingston (R)

Summary

Adds the definition of "unfunded liability" for the purposes of assessing the cost from a termination incentive program to mean the increase in accrued liability attributable to the portion of the benefit that is based on the member's average monthly compensation at the time of retirement in excess of the thirty percent threshold as calculated using the lump sum actuarial factors in effect at the time of the calculation, as provided by the ASRS actuary, or the difference between the accrued liability using the ASRS valuation assumptions calculated for the member assuming the member retires under the termination incentive program and the accrued liability using the ASRS valuation assumptions, which if necessary may be modified by the ASRS actuary, calculated for the member assuming the member is still an active member. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/03/2025 S - DP - Senate Finance

HB2036 - ASRS; temporary personnel service

Sponsor

Rep. David Livingston (R)

Summary

Adds that an employee in the Arizona State Retirement System (ASRS) who is appointed as temporary personnel by a federal agency may receive the same credited service up to 60 months, contributions, start and finish date as a member called into active military service. Defines how contributions are to be calculated and made by an employer and requires that the time credited to a temporary assignment be calculated into overall credited service for retirement benefits or eligibility determinations. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/03/2025 S - DP - Senate Finance

HB2055 - Immunizations; requirements; exemption

Sponsor

Rep. Lisa Fink (R)

Summary

Provides an exemption for an individual required to receive a vaccination for any purpose if there is no vaccination available and certain, listed criteria are also met. Prohibits any other Arizona Department, agency, board or commission from requiring the individual with an exemption from a specific vaccination requirement from imposing other limits in addition to the criteria listed in this legislation.

Last Action

01/28/2025 H - DP - House Regulatory Oversight

HB2077 - ASRS; long-term disability

Sponsor

Rep. David Livingston (R)

Summary

Requires that during the first 30 months of a period of disability, the recipient be unable to perform one or more duties of the occupation held by the recipient with the employer when the recipient developed their disability. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/03/2025 S - DP - Senate Finance

HB2124 - Hospitals; interfacility transport

Sponsor

Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

Summary

Provides an exclusion for Certification of Necessity requirements for "ambulance services" (defined) owned or operated by a "direct owner" (defined) or "indirect owner" (defined) of a "hospital" (defined) for "interfacility transport" (defined). Stipulates that all rules adopted by the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) pursuant to this legislation and relating to interfacility transportation applies to direct and indirect owners of a hospital that operates an ambulance service for inter facility transport.

Last Action

03/04/2025 H - DPA - House Committee of the Whole

HB2126 - Medical records; parental rights

Sponsor

Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

Summary

Requires a health care entity to provide a parent with access to any electronic portal, and any other health care delivery platform that is separate but equal to the minor child's access throughout the minority of the parents' child, provided that confidentiality that is owed to the minor child pursuant to a law or court order is observed. Stipulates that this right includes access to written and electronic medical records for services that do not require parental consent, pursuant to state law.

Last Action

03/06/2025 S - Hearing Scheduled - 03/12/2025, 9:00 AM - Senate HHS, SHR 2

HB2130 - Claims; prior authorization; denials; contact

Sponsor

Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary

Requires a healthcare insurer that denies a claim or a prior authorization for any reason to provide a telephone number or email address to an entity that can provide a detailed explanation as to why the claim or prior authorization was denied, and a substantive response to questions pertaining to why a claim or prior authorization was denied within two business days after receipt of the questions. Effective date is July 1, 2026. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

02/26/2025 S - Senate 2nd Read

HB2132 - Hospitals; outpatient surgical centers; nurses

Sponsor

Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary

Requires outpatient surgical centers and hospitals to adopt and implement policies that require a registered nurse to be a "circulator" (defined) who is physically present in an operating room for the duration of each surgical procedure by January 1, 2026. Requires the Arizona Department of Health

Services (ADHS) to verify compliance with this legislation whenever ADHS is conducting an on site inspection, and in response to any complaint alleging a violation of this legislation.

Last Action

01/27/2025 H - DPA - House Health & Human Services

HB2133 - Nurses; provisional licensure

Sponsor

Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary

Requires the Arizona State Board of Nursing (Board) to issue a provisional license or certificate to an advanced practice registered nurse or a registered nurse within five business days after the receipt of an application and the required fees for an out-of-state nurse who is seeking licensure or certification, if the individual in question meets all listed criteria. Requires the Board to acknowledge in writing or via oral communication to an applicant of receipt of the application. Stipulates that a person who receives a provisional license or certificate subject to the laws of Arizona and the Board's jurisdiction, that the granted license or certification is valid only in Arizona, and that either become permanent six months after the provisional status is issued and is valid until Arizona law requires renewal. Permits the Board to terminate a provisional license or certificate upon discovery of noncompliance with Arizona law or if, after receiving a completed application, the Board determines there is a reasonable basis to require restrictions on, or the termination of, the license or certificate. Requires the Board, before terminating a license or certificate to offer the holder of either a continued provisional status contingent on acceptance of remedial actions, or to accept the termination of either, which is prohibited from being classified as a revocation or denial for required reporting purposes, or if the applicant subsequently applies for a permanent license or certificate. Waives fees for veterans or spouses of active duty members of United States Armed Forces.

Last Action

03/06/2025 S - Referred to Committee - Rules - Senate Rules

HB2134 - Physician assistants; qualifications

Sponsor

Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary

Requires the Arizona Regulatory Board of Physician Assistants (Board) to license only those candidates who meet all requirements as stated by law. Requires an applicant for licensing to have completed. Requires applicants to have passed a nationally recognized certifying examination that is approved by the board. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/03/2025 S - Transmit to Senate

HB2138 - AHCCCS; naturopathic physicians

Sponsor

Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary

For the purpose of the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS), to meet the definition of “primary care practitioner”, nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives must be licensed per state law. The effective date is contingent on the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services approving naturopathic physicians as service providers by October 2, 2028, at which point the effective date becomes October 1 of the following year. Requires AHCCCS to notify the Arizona Legislative Council in writing before November 2, 2028 the date that the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services approved the Act, or if there was no response or if the request was denied.

Last Action

03/07/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 03/10/2025 - Third Reading, House Floor

HB2173 - Mental health inquiry; prohibition

Sponsor

Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

Summary

Prohibits a “health professional regulatory board” or “licensing authority” (defined) from including any question on an application for a license, permit, certificate, or endorsement that requests information about whether an applicant has sought mental health assistance or received a mental health diagnosis or treatment. Permits a health profession regulatory board or licensing authority to ask if an applicant is currently under if regulatory entity’s order in another state for the monitoring of a health condition, including substance abuse. Stipulates that an applicant is not required to respond if the monitoring is part of a confidential program. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/06/2025 S - Hearing Scheduled - 03/12/2025, 9:00 AM - Senate HHS, SHR 2

HB2175 - Claims; prior authorization; conduct

Sponsor

Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

Summary

Prohibits artificial intelligence from being used to deny a claim or prior authorization for medical necessity, experimental status or any other reason that involves the use of medical judgment. Requires a “health care provider” (defined) to individually review each claim or prior authorization that involves any of the above before a health care insurer may deny a claim or prior authorization. Classifies a violation of this legislation as constituting an Act of Unprofessional Conduct. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/04/2025 H - Removed from Hearing Agenda - 03/10/2025, 1:30 PM - Senate FIN, SHR 1

HB2176 - Training; investigations; complaints; health facilities (Health facilities; complaints; investigations; training)

Sponsor

Rep. Julie Willoughby (R)

Summary

Permits the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) To adopt rules outlining the evaluation process of a health care institution’s license if that institution is undergoing or initiating a change of ownership. Requires ADHS to accept proof that a healthcare institution is an accredited hospital or is an accredited health care institution In lieu of all compliance inspections required by state law. Requires ADHS to notify a licensee of the nature of a complaint while ensuring the security of private health information upon entering a health care institution for a complaint investigation. Defines the information that ADHS must provide healthcare institutions pertaining to complaints and complaint priority, and requires ADHS to disclose the level priority of a complaint before conducting a complaint investigation. Outlines the process a healthcare institution can take to dispute a statement of deficiencies and the review process that ADHS must take in addressing the objection. Requires ADHS to develop a training program for all licensing surveyors and the supervisors and managers of licensing surveyors to ensure compliance with this legislation, and defines what must be included in the training program.

Last Action

02/25/2025 H - PASSED - House Motion to Reconsider Third

HB2181 - Physical therapy; durable medical equipment

Sponsor

Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary

Adds “recommending and prescribing durable medical equipment without requesting a prescription from a licensed physician to the definition of “Practice of physical therapy” (Defined).

Last Action

02/13/2025 H - DISC/HELD - House Health & Human Services

HB2210 - DIFI; continuation

Sponsor

Rep. David Livingston (R)

Summary

Contingent upon the voters approving a constitutional amendment repealing the authority for the Arizona Department of Insurance (ADI), the statutory life of the ADI is extended six months to January 1, 2034. Retroactive to July 1, 2025. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/03/2025 S - Senate 2nd Read

HB2291 - Opioids; containers; labeling; requirements; repeal

Sponsor

Rep. Walter "Walt" Blackman (R)

Summary

The container of a schedule II controlled substance that is an opioid that is directly dispensed by a pharmacist and that is not for the immediate administration to the ultimate user is allowed, instead of required, to have a red cap. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/05/2025 S - DP - Senate Health and Human Services

HB2310 - Advanced practice registered nurses; compact

Sponsor

Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary

Establishes the Interstate Commission of "Advanced Practice Registered Nurses" (defined) (APRN) Compact (Compact), a joint public agency for greater coordination and cooperation among states in the areas of APRN licensure and regulation. Lists the general purposes of the Compact, requirements for member states regarding multi-state licensing, and authorities of a party state licensing board. Defines member state requirements, licensing reciprocity, adjudication of complaints and licensing issues and reporting requirements. Establishes and defines Interstate Commission of APRN Compact Administrators (Commission), and specifies rules for membership, voting, meetings, bylaws, and financial records, powers of the Commission, licensing procedures, adjudication of complaints and

licensing issues, immunity and indemnification, rulemaking powers dispute resolution and requirements for the Compact to become effective. Establishes the Interstate Practice of Regulated Social Workers compact and the criteria to join, including legislative thresholds. Establishes an associated Executive Committee and regulatory body, meeting requirements for that body, authorities, responsibilities, duties, member participation expectations, roles and scope of work, payment, participation terms, prohibitions, rules making authorities and emergency action permissions. Defines criteria for states to enter, licensing, immunity and reciprocity, participation, licensing and education requirements for member social workers, prohibitions and restrictions on participation, investigations and legal requirements and permissions, mutual disciplinary procedures and permissions. Establishes records keeping and documentation requirements, sharing of data procedures, fees, indemnity and immunity extensions, and member rights related to the Compact and Commission. Defines termination requirements for each member-state, severability, home-state legal rights and procedures for exiting the pact. (More.)

Last Action

02/17/2025 H - DISC/HELD - House Health & Human Services

HB2405 - Topical medications

Sponsor

Rep. Ralph Heap (R)

Summary

Permits a patient to be offered any unused portion of a “facility provided medication” (defined) if that medication was administered to a patient at a hospital or outpatient surgical center and was ordered at least 24 hours before a surgical procedure, and if the facility provided medication is required for continuing treatment. Stipulates that if the facility provided medication is used in an operating room or emergency department setting, the prescriber is responsible for counseling the patient on the proper use and administration of the medication, and that any pharmacist counseling requirement is waived. Requires facility provided medication to be in conformance with the labeling requirements, pursuant to state law. Entitles this legislation the “Topical Medical Waste Reduction Act.” AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/05/2025 S - DP - Senate Health and Human Services

HB2582 - Failure to maintain medical records

Sponsor

Rep. Selina Bliss (R)

Summary

Designates as a failure to maintain adequate records, if, when submitting a claim or receiving payment pursuant to state law a person knowingly fails to maintain those records that are necessary to fully disclose the nature of the goods or services for which a claim was submitted or payment was received, records that are necessary to fully disclose all income and expenditures on which rates of

payment were based for at least five years, or knowingly fails to report the destruction of those records that are necessary. Designated violating any of the above as a Class 2 Misdemeanor.

Last Action

02/18/2025 H - Referred to Committee - Appropriations - House Appropriations

HB2628 - Pharmacists; emergency medication; administration

Sponsor

Rep. Jeff Weninger (R)

Summary

Permits a pharmacist who is authorized to order and administer any medication, pursuant to this legislation, to also order and administer "emergency medication" (defined) to manage an acute allergic reaction to the medication that was administered at the pharmacy. Lists specific steps the pharmacist must take when they administer emergency medication, and immediately after they administer the medication. Stipulates that administering emergency medication does not establish a cause of action against a patient's primary care provider or physician for any adverse reaction, complication, or negative outcome arising from the administration of any emergency medication by a pharmacist to the patient if the emergency medication is administered without a prescription written by the patient's primary care provider or physician. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/05/2025 S - DP - Senate Health and Human Services

HB2681 - Abortion-inducing drugs; requirements

Sponsor

Rep. Rachel Keshel (R)

Summary

Requires a qualified physician who provides an abortion inducing drug to follow specific steps and lists those steps. Requires that the qualified physician who provides an abortion inducing drug be credentialed and competent to handle complication management, including emergency transfers, or have a signed agreement with an associated physician who is credentialed to handle complications. Requires the qualified physician to be able to produce the signed agreement, on demand, by the patient, or the Arizona Department of Health Services. Outlines information and appointments the qualified physician must provide the patient. Lists the requirements necessary for a patient to have a claim against anyone who intentionally or recklessly violates this legislation. Requires a civil action that is filed pursuant to this legislation be brought in the Superior Court in the county in which the woman on whom the abortion was performed resides and outlines potential relief for the person filing the claim. Defines the process a court that is hearing a claim must follow and the rulings it must make. Requires any person who brings an action under this legislation to do so using a pseudonym, unless the person obtains the written consent of the woman on whom an abortion was induced or attempted to be induced. Stipulates that this legislation does not allow the identity of a plaintiff, or a witness, to

be concealed from the defendant. Contains a severability clause. States that this legislation does not create or recognize a right to abortion, or make an abortion legal.

Last Action

03/04/2025 S - Transmit to Senate

HB2808 - Medical board; disciplinary action

Sponsor

Rep. Ralph Heap (R)

Summary

Prohibits the Arizona Board of Medicine from requiring, or taking any action against, a licensee that would cause the licensee to waive any fundamental legal right or liberty without a showing of compelling interest, and by showing that the waiver is required to further the board's purpose and protecting the public health and safety. AS PASSED HOUSE.

Last Action

03/06/2025 S - Referred to Committee - Rules - Senate Rules

SB1037 - Health boards; fund balances; fees

Sponsor

Sen. John Kavanagh (R)

Summary

Requires each Health Profession Regulatory Board (Board) to review proposed and existing fees and fee increases, and the Health Profession Regulatory Board's Fund (Fund) balance, annually, in a public meeting. Prohibits the Fund's balance from exceeding two years' of the Board's operating expenses, plus 5% and if the Fund's balance exceeds that amount the Board must reduce or eliminate licensing and/or applications fees to bring the fund balance into compliance. AS PASSED SENATE.

Last Action

03/05/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 03/11/2025, 2:00 PM - House RO, HHR 4

SB1054 - Assisted living; hyperbaric oxygen therapy

Sponsor

Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary

Assisted living homes and assisted living centers may provide hyperbaric oxygen therapy to their residents, notwithstanding any other law.

Last Action

03/03/2025 H - Transmit to House

SB1072 - Medical boards; complaints; time limit

Sponsor

Sen. Warren Petersen (R)

Summary

Stipulates that throughout the bill all references to “doctor”, or any of its iterations, are modified to read Doctor of Medicine, or any of its iterations. Requires the Arizona Board of Medicine, or, if delegated by the Board, the Executive Director, to take final action on a complaint that is unrelated to protecting public health and safety within one year after receiving the complaint, and if that time frame is not complied with, the complaint is deemed administratively closed. AS PASSED SENATE.

Last Action

03/03/2025 H - DISC/HELD - House Health & Human Services

SB1081 - Obstetrics; gynecology services; rural communities

Sponsor

Sen. Janae Shamp (R)

Summary

The Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) is required to convene stakeholders and staff to develop recommendations to ensure that obstetrics and gynecology services are provided in low-volume, high-risk rural communities in Arizona. By December 31, 2025, ADHS is required to report the recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature. This self-repeals December 31, 2027. AS PASSED SENATE.

Last Action

03/04/2025 H - Removed from Hearing Agenda - 03/10/2025, 2:00 PM - House HHS, HHR 4

SB1108 - International medical licensees; provisional licensure

Sponsor

Sen. Janae Shamp (R)

Summary

Permits the Arizona Medical Board (Board) to grant a provisional license to engage in the practice of medicine in Arizona to any "international medical licensee" (defined) provided they meet certain, listed criteria, and to set, by rule, licensing and annual renewal fees for a "provisional licensee" (defined). Defines duties that each provisional licensee must complete, and the duties and responsibilities of a provisional licensee's employer in the event the provisional license is terminated, or leaves employment, for any reason. Outlines actions the Board must take if a provisional licensee leaves an employer and does not notify the Board of acquiring new employment. Defines the actions a provisional licensee must take if they accept new employment, and actions the new employer must take before the provisional licensee commences employment. Permits an employer of a provisional licensee to require that individual to take a competency test at any point in their employment. Permits the Board to discipline a medical licensee or revoke a provisional license pursuant to state law, provides an appeal process for the medical licensee, outlines circumstances where the Board is not required to approve a provisional license and lists documents and proof the Board is permitted to request the applicant provide before granting a provisional license. Exempts the Board and the Arizona Board of Osteopathic Examiners in Medicine and Surgery from rulemaking requirements for one year. Effective date is January 1, 2026.

Last Action

03/04/2025 H - Removed from Hearing Agenda - 03/10/2025, 2:00 PM - House HHS, HHR 4

SB1125 - Psychologists; prescribing authority

Sponsor

Sen. Thomas "T.J." Shope (R)

Summary

Outlines the investigative responsibilities of the Board of Psychologist Examiners (Board.) Permits a physician to enter into a "collaborative prescription agreement" (defined) with a "prescribing psychologist" (defined) for a total of four collaborative prescription agreements, subject to the development of rules by the Board. Defines the process of a psychologist to apply for a prescribing license, including the eligibility criteria needed to be met to attain the license and the duties and responsibilities of the Board in the process. Outlines the guidelines for a collaborative prescription agreement, including how to set one up, rules that govern the agreement and termination processes. Defines the requirements that a prescription written by a prescribing psychologist must meet, including restrictions and prohibitions, required data capture and reporting. Outlines continuing education requirements. Defines the Board's oversight capacity pertaining to processing, investigating, drawing conclusions about, making recommendations and meting discipline because of, complaints. Provides exemptions from rules making as defined by state law. AS PASSED SENATE.

Last Action

02/28/2025 H - Transmit to House

SB1200 - Mandated health coverage; JLBC; analysis

Sponsor

Sen. Venden "Vince" Leach (R)

Summary

Requires an organization or individual advocating a legislative approach that would place a restriction on the form or amount of cost sharing applied to a health plan benefit issued by an insurer, hospital, or medical, dental, or optometric service corporation, health services organization or any other health care contractor, to submit a report that assesses the social and financial impacts of the coverage or cost sharing restrictions proposed. Outlines the information that is to be included in the report. Stipulates that if the report is not completed for a legislative proposal that would mandate health coverage or that would place a restriction on the form or amount of cost sharing applied to a health plan benefit, the Joint Legislative Budget Committee shall analyze how the proposal would financially impact the state employee group health and accident coverage pursuant to state law. Lists the factors that the Joint Legislative Budget Committee must consider when performing their analysis. Prohibits a legislative proposal from being scheduled for rules hearing in the House of origin if the Joint Legislative Budget Committee's analysis is not complete. Requires the Arizona Department of Administration and its vendors that support the state health plan to cooperate with the Joint Legislative Budget Committee for the purpose of preparing the analysis. (More.) AS PASSED SENATE.

Last Action

02/28/2025 H - Transmit to House

SB1214 - Pharmacists; independent testing; treatment**Sponsor**

Sen. Thomas "T.J." Shope (R)

Summary

Permits, following an authorized protocol, under certain conditions, a pharmacist to independently order, perform, and interpret tests that are authorized by the United States Food and Drug Administration (USFDA) and waived under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988. Permits a pharmacist to initiate treatment to eligible people, who meet related age criteria, and to have test results that indicate the need for treatment. List certain illnesses, conditions, or diseases that a pharmacist may treat. Defines issues that must be addressed in any statewide written protocol by the Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) and in coordination with the Arizona Medical Board, and Arizona State Board of Pharmacy. Requires that tests that are used be waived under the aforementioned methods or be part of an approved ADHS screening protocol. Requires a pharmacist to use the evidence based clinical guidelines published by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, or the Infectious Diseases Society of America, or another clinically recognized patient treatment group. Lists the criteria by which a person may be treated, circumstances where a pharmacist is required to refer a patient to the patient's identified primary care provider, standard operating procedures for initiating and following through with treatment and required documentation that must be included in a patient's medical record. Stipulates that this legislation does not establish a cause of action against a patient's primary care provider for any adverse reaction, complication, or negative outcome arising from treatment. Lists prohibitions a pharmacist must observe.

Last Action

03/03/2025 H - Transmit to House

SB1235 - Health profession regulatory boards; membership

Sponsor

Sen. Janae Shamp (R)

Summary

Permits the Arizona State Board of Podiatry to fill a public member vacancy if the Governor fails to fill it within one year of the seat becoming empty and stipulates that if the Senate fails to confirm an appointment within one year, the appointment is deemed confirmed. AS PASSED SENATE.

Last Action

03/05/2025 H - Transmit to House

SB1257 - Impaired persons; court-ordered stabilization

Sponsor

Sen. Venden "Vince" Leach (R)

Summary

Permits an "admitting officer" (defined), after examining or evaluating a proposed patient, if they determine that the patient is an "impaired person" (defined), as defined by state law, to file a petition for a court ordered stabilization, pursuant to state law. Stipulates that an impaired person who is involuntarily admitted for a stabilization period possesses all the civil and legal rights enumerated in the Arizona State Constitution. Requires that a petition for a court ordered stabilization define the time limits of the stabilization. Prohibits filing a petition for a court ordered stabilization solely as a method of detainment. Outlines the process the court must go through to either approve or deny a request for a court ordered stabilization. Requires that Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) employees offer treatment to the impaired person daily. Requires that an impaired person's family members or guardian, if applicable, be allowed to participate in their care and treatment, when appropriate. Outlines the rules in which an impaired person undergoing stabilization treatment may be administered seclusion, mechanical, or pharmacological restraints. Limits a court ordered stabilization period to five calendar days after the date the impaired person was involuntarily admitted. Requires the County Attorney to represent any physician or admissions officer when they file a petition for a court ordered stabilization. Prohibits the impaired person from being charged for services provided under this legislation and stipulates that proceedings and services provided under this legislation be charged to the AHDS, or a third party payor.

Last Action

03/07/2025 S - Hearing Scheduled - 03/10/2025 - Third Reading, Senate Floor

SB1268 - Hospitals; patient immigration status; reporting

Sponsor

Sen. Wendy Rogers (R)

Summary

Requires hospitals that accept payment in compliance with the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) to include on admission or registration forms, a space for the patient to indicate their status regarding USA citizenship or presence in the USA. The statement must indicate that citizenship status does not affect patient care or result in a report to US immigration authorities. Requires each hospital to submit a quarterly report to the AHCCCS within 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter and defines the criteria that must be included in the report. Requires the AHCCCS to compile that data and submit by March 1 of each year a summary report of patient breakdowns. Lists specific data that must be included in the report and defines who should receive the report. Permits the AHCCCS to adopt rules relating to the format of, and the information to be contained in, the quarterly reports. Prohibits the rules from requiring disclosure of patient names, or any other personal identifying information to the AHCCCS. AS PASSED SENATE.

Last Action

03/06/2025 H - House 2nd Read

SB1291 - Health insurers; provider credentialing; claims (Health insurers; provider; payment; claims)**Sponsor**

Sen. Hildy Angius (R)

Summary

Modifies the requirement that a health insurer conclude the process of credentialing and loading an applicant's information into the health insurer's billing system, from 100 days to 45. Sets a deadline for the insurer to provide electronic or written confirmation of receiving a credentialing application and defines what information might be required.

Last Action

03/05/2025 H - Transmit to House

SB1377 - Authorized recipients; donated medicine; information**Sponsor**

Sen. J.D. Mesnard (R)

Summary

Permits an "authorized recipient" (defined) to post on their public website information regarding where and how a "donor" (defined) may donate "medicine" (defined), who qualifies as an "eligible patient" (defined), and how an eligible patient may access donated medicine.

Last Action

03/04/2025 H - Transmit to House

**SB1395 - Requirements; international medical graduates
(International medical graduates; requirements)****Sponsor**

Sen. Thomas "T.J." Shope (R)

Summary

Strikes the requirement to complete an approved 24-month hospital internship, residency, or clinical fellowship and other requirements as necessary for an applicant for licensure who graduated from an unapproved school of medicine. Requires that applicant must be able to read, write, speak and understand English, and hold a standard certificate issued by the educational commission for foreign medical graduates, complete a fifth pathway program, or complete thirty-six months as a full-time assistant professor or in a higher position in an approved school of medicine

Last Action

03/04/2025 H - Transmit to House

SB1600 - Patient rights; health care services**Sponsor**

Sen. Frank Carroll (R)

Summary

Stipulates that a "patient" (defined) has a right to receive health care services from a "health professional" (defined) that meet or exceed several listed principles.

Last Action

03/07/2025 S - Hearing Scheduled - 03/10/2025 - Third Reading, Senate Floor

SB1623 - Appropriations; graduate medical education program**Sponsor**

Sen. Carine Werner (R)

Summary

Appropriates \$10,000,000 from the Arizona State General Fund and \$18,768,700 in expenditure authority in FY 2025-2026 to the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System administration for graduate medical education programs to address Arizona's shortage of physicians. Specifies how the funds may be used and permits the Arizona State General Fund to supplement, but not supplant, voluntary payments made from political subdivisions for payments to hospitals that operate a graduate medical education program. Permits the funds to be used for start-up costs related to the development of a new residency program. Exempts the appropriations from lapsing of appropriations provisions.

Last Action

03/07/2025 S - Hearing Scheduled - 03/10/2025 - Third Reading, Senate Floor

SB1626 - Health insurance; surprise billing; disputes

Sponsor

Sen. Carine Werner (R)

Summary

Stipulates that this legislation applies only to claims that are not subject to an independent dispute resolution pursuant to state law and the federal No Surprises Act. AS PASSED SENATE.

Last Action

03/04/2025 H - Hearing Scheduled - 03/10/2025, 2:00 PM - House HHS, HHR 4