



Here is a list of other legislation that TNA has taken a position on. Keep in mind positions might change as the legislative process develops. There are a large number of caption bills this year. A caption bill is a piece of legislation that isn't fully developed until an amendment is added to it. We are monitoring a lot of caption bills and have put them in their own category below.

TNA Position: Monitor Caption Bills

SB91/HB220 HEALTH CARE: Requires opioid report on impact of recent legislation.

Sponsors: Sen. Haile, Ferrell , Rep. Sexton, Cameron
Summary: Requires the commissioner of health report to the speakers and health committees of both chambers on the impact of recent legislation on opioid abuse in the state. Requires the commissioner make recommendations, if necessary, for further legislation. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 28, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 01/31/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB168/HB75 HEALTH CARE: Change in ownership of a health care institution.

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Sexton, Cameron
Summary: Increases the amount of days given to notify the health services and development agency of the change in ownership of a health care institution from 30 days to 60 days.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 24, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 01/28/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB284/HB612 HEALTH CARE: Notification of change of address to receive a duplicate registration certification.

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Terry, Bryan
Summary: Increases the time in which person who issued a certification of registration by the division of health related boards to notify the division of a change of address in order to receive a duplicate registration certificate from 30 to 45 days.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 2, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/07/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB321/HB543 **TAXES PROPERTY: Requirement of notice from the delinquent tax attorney relative to property tax.**

Sponsors: Sen. Jackson, Ed , Rep. White, Mark
Summary: Requires the delinquent tax attorney to pose a copy of the proceeding and send a copy by first-class mail addressed to “occupant” at the last known municipal address of the parcel. Declares that all notices to all owners and interested parties must be detailed by the delinquent tax attorney.
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Property & Planning Subcommittee.

SB331/HB299 **HEALTH CARE: Reporting of abortion to office of vital records.**

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Hill, Matthew
Summary: Changes from "10 days" to "seven business days" the time after an abortion when the abortion must be reported to the office of vital records by the head of the institution where the abortion was performed or by the attending physician. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 2, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB346/HB269 **EDUCATION: Reduces time comptroller has to determine if medical schools are compliant with certain guidelines.**

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Vaughan, Kevin
Summary: Reduces to 10 the number of days the comptroller has to determine whether certain financing agreements to fund a medical school under the Medical School Authorities Act is compliant with the state funding board guidelines.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 2, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 03/06/19 - Referred to House Higher Education Subcommittee.

SB348/HB610 **INSURANCE HEALTH: Uniform claim forms.**

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Terry, Bryan
Summary: Authorizes the commissioner of commerce and insurance to make available to healthcare providers on the department's website any prescribed claim form for reporting by healthcare providers. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/07/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB528/HB1125 HEALTH CARE: Outdated provision on infections taskforce.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Cochran, Mark
Summary: Deletes provision of code referencing the infections taskforce whose progress reports were due to the general assembly in 2008, 2009, and 2010.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 10, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - House sponsor changed from Robin Smith to Mark Cochran.

SB539/HB698 INSURANCE HEALTH: Comprehensive listing of participating providers and facilities.

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Doggett, Clay
Summary: Requires managed health insurance issuers to update the issuer's comprehensive listing available to covered persons and healthcare providers of participating providers and facilities at least every six months for web-based materials instead of annually for printed materials. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 19, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/07/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB566/HB1293 HEALTH CARE: Date of reporting on the outcome of the controlled substances database program.

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Farmer, Andrew
Summary: Changes the annual date by which the commissioner of health must file a report with the appropriate committees of the senate and house on the outcome of the controlled substances database program with respect to its effect on distribution and abuse of controlled substances from March 1 to March 15.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 6, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB572/HB1011 HEALTH CARE: Electronic submission of the annual report on the distribution and abuse of controlled substances.

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Terry, Bryan
Summary: Authorizes electronic submission of the annual report on distribution and abuse of controlled substances from the commissioner of health to the health committees of the senate and the house of representatives under the Tennessee Prescription Safety Act of 2016. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 6, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB637/HB1462 **HEALTH CARE: Timeframe for notification of an applicant for the need of a nonresidential substitution-based treatment center for opiate addiction.**

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Casada, Glen

Summary: Changes the period within which an applicant for a certificate of need for a nonresidential substitution-based treatment center for opiate addiction must notify the chief executive officer of the county or municipality of the filing of the application if it involves a healthcare facility in which the county or municipality is the lessor of the facility or real property on which it sits from 10 days to 10 business days.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 27, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 03/05/19 - House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee deferred to 03/12/19.

SB658/HB842 **HEALTH CARE: Annual report on distribution and abuse of controlled substances.**

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Travis, Ron

Summary: Changes from March 1 to February 15 the date by which the annual report on distribution and abuse of controlled substances must be submitted by the department of health to the health committees of the senate and the house under the Tennessee Prescription Safety Act of 2016. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 9, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/07/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB742/HB1417 **CRIMINAL LAW: Increases the penalty for aggravated assault and reckless endangerment.**

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Towns Jr., Joe

Summary: Increases penalty for aggravated assault and reckless endangerment committed from within a motor vehicle. Requires the court revoke a defendant's license for up to one year following any period of confinement. Requires that a motor vehicle used in a second or subsequent offense be seized and forfeited.

Fiscal Note: (Dated March 5, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$187,600 Incarceration*

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 03/06/19 - House Criminal Justice Subcommittee deferred to last calendar.

SB744/HB857 **TENNCARE: Actuarial study of the medical assistance program and participating managed care organizations.**

Sponsors: Sen. Robinson, Katrina , Rep. Parkinson, Antonio

Summary: Requires the treasury comptroller conduct an annual actuarial study of the medical assistance program and any participating managed care organizations, and report to the finance, ways and means committees of legislative houses, the office of legislative budget analysis, and the fiscal review committee of the general assembly.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 19, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/07/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB756/HB813 **HEALTH CARE: Cost of copying and mailing the first five pages of a patient's medical record.**

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Kumar, Sabi
Summary: Increases the maximum amount a healthcare provider is allowed to charge for the cost of copying and mailing the first five pages of a patient's medical record from \$20 to \$21. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/07/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB757/HB812 **HEALTH CARE: Cost of copying and mailing first five pages of patient's medical record.**

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Kumar, Sabi
Summary: Increases the maximum amount a healthcare provider is allowed to charge for the cost of copying and mailing the first five pages of a patient's medical record from \$20 to \$21. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 26, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/07/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB791/HB935 **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Per-encounter opioid treatment.**

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Lamberth, William
Summary: Clarifies that per-encounter opioid treatment by a healthcare practitioner is an exception to the prohibition on treatment of a patient with an opioid more frequently than every 10 days. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 20, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Mental Health & Substance Abuse Subcommittee.

SB845/HB1331 **HEALTH CARE: Annual report pertaining to birth defects registry.**

Sponsors: Sen. Watson, Bo , Rep. Haston, Kirk
Summary: Permits the advisory committee to submit its annual report pertaining to the birth defects registry to the appropriate standing committees of the general assembly electronically. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 7, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB928/HB1096 **HEALTH CARE: TN Department of Health - nursing home inspection reports.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Potts, Jason
Summary: Requires the commissioner of health to submit a report by not later than January 1, instead of February 1, of each year to the governor and to each house of the general assembly regarding the department's nursing home inspection and enforcement activities during the previous year. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 7, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB988/HB1024 PUBLIC FINANCE: Notification regarding estimate of board fees.

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Lynn, Susan

Summary: Requires each board to notify the commissioner of finance and administration when the estimate of board fees for a fiscal year is more than the certified amount of board fees required by the board for that fiscal year.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1022/HB1367 HEALTH CARE: Joint report regarding current status of emergency medical services for children.

Sponsors: Sen. Reeves, Shane , Rep. Tillis, Rick

Summary: Authorizes the joint report regarding the current status of emergency medical services for children prepared by the board for licensing health care facilities and the emergency medical services board to be submitted electronically. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1023/HB1457 HEALTH CARE: Deletion - obsolete health department recommendations.

Sponsors: Sen. Reeves, Shane , Rep. Ramsey, Bob

Summary: Deletes an obsolete provision for the health department to make certain recommendations by January 10, 2010. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 10, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1049/HB1259 TENNCARE: Medicaid expansion for residents with opioid addictions.

Sponsors: Sen. Robinson, Katrina , Rep. Dixie, Vincent

Summary: Requires the TennCare bureau submit to the federal health and human services department a Section 1115 waiver that would expand medicaid eligibility to residents who suffer from an opioid addiction and earn less than 138 percent of the federal poverty level if eligibility only lasts for the duration of the person's involvement in a substance abuse treatment program. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House TennCare Subcommittee.

SB1050/HB1019 PUBLIC FINANCE: Grant payments under grant assistance program for nursing home care.

Sponsors: Sen. Watson, Bo , Rep. Lynn, Susan

Summary: Authorizes grant payments under the grant assistance program for nursing home care to be made either monthly or quarterly. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

SB1070/HB1109 HEALTH CARE: Study of healthcare access and status in certain areas.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. Powell, Jason

Summary: Requires health commissioner study healthcare access and healthcare status of populations affected by the implementation of Chapter 1043 of the Public Acts of 2016. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1099/HB330 TAXES BUSINESS: Amusement tax on dues or fees to membership sport and recreation clubs.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. White, Mark

Summary: Removes amusement tax on dues or fees to membership sports and recreation clubs.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

SB1111/HB1437 HEALTH CARE: Disciplinary action - mental health providers.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. Stewart, Mike

Summary: Clarifies that a mental health provider who commits professional misconduct is subject to discipline by any authorized state regulatory entity. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 12, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1117/HB1137 HEALTH CARE: Electronic submission of recommendations - controlled substance database committee.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Hakeem, Yusuf

Summary: Permits the controlled substance database committee to submit formal recommendations regarding rulemaking to the commissioner of agriculture electronically. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1121/HB1341 HEALTH CARE: Meetings to allow public discussion of new developments in the practice of polysomnography.

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Zachary, Jason

Summary: Deletes an obsolete provision requiring the polysomnographic professional standards committee to conduct a meeting each year between 2007 and 2010 to allow public discussion of polysomnography. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1123/HB1129 HEALTH CARE: Written list of TANF and medicaid options.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy

Summary: Changes the annual date by which the departments of health and human services must jointly provide to the appropriate committees of the senate and the house of representatives a written list of available state and federal options under medicaid and temporary assistance for needy families from December 31 to December 15.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 20, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1128/HB1350 PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Report on nursing training needs.

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Deberry Jr., John

Summary: Requires the board of nursing executive director report on workforce needs for nurses in healthcare institutions and facilities and the need for any beneficial changes to the educational training of nurses in order to meet those needs to the health committees of both legislative houses. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee.

SB1142/HB1121 PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Annual report of board of examiners in psychology submitted to governor.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Thompson , Dwayne

Summary: Authorizes the board of examiners in psychology to submit its annual report to the governor in electronic form. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 7, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/06/19 - Taken off notice in Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 03/05/19 - Taken off notice in House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee.

SB1156/HB1203 PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Report on number of certificates issued to practice acupuncture in state.

Sponsors: Sen. Jackson, Ed , Rep. Mitchell, Bo

Summary: Requires advisory committee for acupuncture report to the medical examiners board the number of certificates issued to practice acupuncture in this state in 2019, and a 10-year plan to grow the practice in this state. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 20, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee.

SB1159/HB1403 ENVIRONMENT & NATURE: Birth defects registry advisory committee report.

Sponsors: Sen. Jackson, Ed , Rep. Sanderson, Bill

Summary: Specifies the health department's birth defects registry advisory committee report its findings on the adequacy of the registry to the appropriate standing committees of the general assembly by February 1 of each year. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 14, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1179/HB1283 LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Laws impacting local governments that are not fully funded.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Hawk, David

Summary: Negates mandatory application of certain laws on local governments that are not fully funded. Prohibits a state government agency from creating a new fee that will impact local governments in any year when state revenues to the agency have decreased from the previous year. Broadly captioned.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Public Service & Employee Subcommittee.

SB1183/HB1442 CRIMINAL LAW: Long term drug therapy - mandatory urine testing.

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Chism, Jesse

Summary: Reduces from 90 days to 60 days the threshold of time for a patient who is prescribed opioids, benzodiazepines, barbiturates, or carisoprodol in chronic, long-term drug therapy before the prescriber is required to consider mandatory urine drug testing. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1210/HB1375 WELFARE: Removes language regarding expired special joint committee that studied issues on CoverKids.

Sponsors: Sen. Crowe, Rusty , Rep. Sexton, Jerry
Summary: Deletes code section that created a special joint committee to study issues pertaining to the Diabetes Prevention and Health Improvement, Access Tennessee, Cover Tennessee, and CoverKids programs, which ceased to exist as of January 15, 2011. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1211/HB339 HEALTH CARE: Penalty for those without a valid certificate of need.

Sponsors: Sen. Crowe, Rusty , Rep. Helton, Esther
Summary: Increases to \$1,000 from \$500 the maximum amount of civil penalty that may be imposed on a person who performs, offers to perform, or holds such person out as performing any activity for which a certificate of need is required without first obtaining a valid certificate of need.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 9, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/04/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1215/HB1010 INSURANCE HEALTH: Restrictions on coverage of off-label drugs by insurers.

Sponsors: Sen. Crowe, Rusty , Rep. Hill, Matthew
Summary: Removes that some insurers will deny payment for drugs approved by the FDA when used for off-label use, while other insurers do pay for off-label use. Deletes clause of coverage of off-label drugs will not apply to a governmentally funded health care program, if the program requires the provision of medically necessary services. Deletes definitions of medical literature and standard reference compendia, in regards to insurance coverage on off-label drugs. Deletes clause on an insurer excluding coverage on an FDA non-approved drug if the f the drug is recognized for treatment of the indication in one of the standard reference compendia, or in the medical literature. Deletes clause that coverage for off-label uses of approved drugs shall not be constructed to alter existing law with regard to provisions limiting the coverage of drugs that have not been approved by the FDA.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 03/06/19 - Referred to House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee.

SB1279/HB1238 WELFARE: Verification of citizenship required for certain public benefits.

Sponsors: Sen. Pody, Mark , Rep. Griffey, Bruce
Summary: Requires verification of citizenship or lawful presence for each applicant 18 years of age or older, who applies for prenatal care and the special supplemental food program for women, infants and children when administered by the department of health. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 03/05/19 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

SB1435/HB64 **INSURANCE GENERAL: Recommendations for changes to the Access Tennessee Act of 2006.**

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Travis, Ron
Summary: Establishes that committees must submit recommendations to the governor and the general assembly no later than February 1 after their annual review of the Tennessee Act of 2006.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 7, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 01/24/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1466/HB300 **HEALTH CARE: Encourages finance and administration commissioner consult with TennCare advisory committee about impact of policies.**

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Hill, Matthew
Summary: Encourages the commissioner of finance and administration to consult the TennCare advisory commission concerning the impact of policies and procedures on providers with respect to home- and community-based services.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 31, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/04/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1469/HB1175 **TENNCARE: Reports on use of technical assistance groups of healthcare providers in developing episodes of care.**

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Weaver, Terri
Summary: Clarifies that the bureau of TennCare and the health care finance and administration of the department of finance and administration may submit by electronic means the quarterly reports on the use of technical assistance groups of healthcare providers in developing episodes of care. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1472/HB1031 **HEALTH CARE: Removes expired health commissioner report requirement.**

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Lynn, Susan
Summary: Removed expired language from code regarding requirement that the commissioner of health report on the effectiveness of the 12-month demonstration project involving disabled nursing home volunteers to the health committees of the senate and the house of representatives by March 1, 2006. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 9, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

TNA Position: NEUTRAL

SB383/HB386 **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Board of examiners in psychology - eligibility for reappointment as member.**

Sponsors: Sen. Massey, Becky , Rep. Gant, Ron
Summary: Changes from five years to six years the time frame during which board members are ineligible for reappointment after completion of their term. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 2, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee.

TNA's Position: OPPOSE

SB232/HB57 **COMMERCIAL LAW: Registration exemptions for charitable organizations.**

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Hulsey, Bud
Summary: Increases from over \$30,000 to over \$50,000 the amount of gross contributions that must be raised or received from the public by a charitable organization in order to trigger registration and reporting requirements with the secretary of state.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 9, 2019) Decrease State Revenue - \$46,000/Secretary of State
Senate Status: 01/31/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 03/07/19 - Set for House Consent for 03/14/19.

SB344/HB1225 **CAMPAIGNS & LOBBYING: Increases campaign contribution limits.**

Sponsors: Sen. Watson, Bo , Rep. Casada, Glen
Summary: Increases contribution limits to \$4,200 offices elected in statewide elections and to \$2,500 any other state or local public office. Increases limits from multicandidate political campaign committee to \$20,000 for offices elected in statewide elections and to \$10,000 for any other state or local public office. Limits candidates for statewide offices to not more than fifty percent of total contributions and candidates for any other state or to \$200,000 from multicandidate political campaign committees.
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Elections & Campaign Finance Subcommittee.

SB392/HB282 **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Legislation concerning licensure, certification, or registration requirements.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Requires any legislation that creates or modifies licensure, certification, or registration requirements for occupational and professional groups to be referred for review to the government operations committee or an appropriate standing committee by the speaker of each house.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 7, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee.
House Status: 02/20/19 - Returned to House clerk's desk.

SB413/HB348 **INSURANCE GENERAL: Insurance company determining its obligations under an insurance policy.**

Sponsors: Sen. Stevens, John , Rep. Cepicky, Scott
Summary: Declares that an insurance company may determine its obligations under a policy of insurance as to any and all parties or claimants through a declaratory judgment action, an interpleader claim or action, or both, under a good faith clause.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 14, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/25/19 - Senate passed.
House Status: 03/05/19 - House Property & Casualty Subcommittee recommended. Sent to full committee.

SB422/HB493 **CRIMINAL LAW: Carrying of handguns by firefighters and emergency medical technicians.**

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Doggett, Clay
Summary: Allows firefighters and emergency medical technicians to carry handguns while engaged in official duties if pursuant to a written directive by the executive supervisor of the organization to which the person is attached or employed.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/04/19 - Withdrawn in House.

SB619/HB800 **CRIMINAL LAW: Carrying of handgun by firefighter or emergency medical technician.**

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Doggett, Clay
Summary: Permits any person employed in emergency management or as a firefighter or emergency medical technician to carry a handgun while engaged in the performance of the person's official duties. Requires such person to successfully complete a firearm training program of at least eight hours duration on an annual basis.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Constitutional Protections & Sentencing Subcommittee.

SB659/HB1168 **CRIMINAL LAW: Illegal use of narcotics while pregnant.**

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Weaver, Terri
Summary: Authorizes assault prosecution for illegal use of a narcotic drug while pregnant if the child is born addicted to or harmed by the narcotic drug. Provides addiction recovery program enrollment while pregnant and successful completion of the program as an affirmative defense.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

TNA Position: OPPOSE WITHOUT AMENDMENTS

SB194/HB150 **HEALTH CARE: Defines alternatives to opioid treatments.**

Sponsors: Sen. Watson, Bo , Rep. Sexton, Cameron
Summary: Defines alternatives to opioid treatments available to patients from prescribing physicians as including chiropractic care, physical therapy, acupuncture, and other treatments that relieve pain.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 2, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/04/19 - Senate passed.
House Status: 03/06/19 - House Mental Health & Substance Abuse Subcommittee recommended. Sent to full committee.

SB467/HB296 **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Exempts certain medical professionals from massage licensure requirements when employing licensed massage therapists.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Hill, Matthew
Summary: Exempts certain medical professionals from massage licensure requirements when massages are performed in their office by licensed massage therapists.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 6, 2019) Decrease State Revenue \$16,900/Massage Licensure Board Other Fiscal Impact Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. 4-29-121, all health related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. The Massage Licensure Board had an annual deficit of \$118,594 in FY16-17, an annual deficit of \$52,294 in FY17-18, and a cumulative reserve balance of \$912,043 on June 30, 2018.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee.

SB1274/HB1237 **JUDICIARY: Excusing a physician from jury service.**

Sponsors: Sen. Pody, Mark , Rep. Griffey, Bruce
Summary: Requires a judge or jury coordinator upon request to excuse any practicing physician from jury service upon request. A physician making a request to be excused from jury service must provide the court with documentation verifying that the person is a physician licensed to practice medicine.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

SB1345/HB421 **INSURANCE HEALTH: Notice that the treating physician is out of network.**

Sponsors: Sen. Massey, Becky , Rep. Smith, Robin
Summary: Includes a person who is receiving medical services through a mental health facility to those who are not required until such person is stabilized to receive notice that the treating physician is out of network of the person's insurer.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 11, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee.

TNA's Position: SUPPORT

SB9/HB9 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Smoking on the grounds of a playground.**

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Staples, Rick
Summary: Authorizes Knox County to prohibit smoking on the grounds of a playground owned or operated by the local government.
Amendment Summary: House Cities & Counties Subcommittee amendment 1 (004455) includes Rutherford county and the cities within. House Cities & Counties Subcommittee amendment 2 (004152) includes Lincoln and Bedford counties. House Cities & Counties Subcommittee amendment 3 (003984) includes Knox county and the cities within. House Cities & Counties Subcommittee amendment 4 (004030) includes Sullivan county and the cities within. House Local Committee amendment 1 (005418) makes it permissive for any county to join in prohibiting smoking on playgrounds owned or operated by local government with a two-thirds vote by the legislature.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 31, 2019) Increase Local Expenditures Exceeds \$4,800/One-Time/Permissive
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Senate passed.
House Status: 03/06/19 - House Local Committee recommended with amendment 1 (005418), which makes it permissive for any county to join in prohibiting smoking on playgrounds owned or operated by local government with a two-thirds vote by the legislature. Sent to House Finance Subcommittee.

SB26/HB97 **CRIMINAL LAW: Limitations on usage of vape products.**

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Howell, Dan
Summary: Adds products that can be used to produce or emit a visible or non-visible vapor to the definition of "vapor product" under the "Prevention of Youth Access to Tobacco and Vapor Products Act." Limits the places in which one may use vapor products under the "Children's Act for Clean Indoor Air" to those places where smoking is currently prohibited, including child care centers, group care homes, and public schools.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 29, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/04/19 - Senate passed.
House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB28/HB37 **HEALTH CARE: Creates the Alzheimer's disease and related dementia advisory council.**

Sponsors: Sen. Crowe, Rusty , Rep. Whitson, Sam
Summary: Creates the state Alzheimer's disease and related dementia advisory council and specifies membership of council and terms of members. Specifies that the council is attached to the commission on aging and disability for administrative purposes. Requires the council to develop and submit an Alzheimer's disease state plan to the general assembly that identifies barriers to Alzheimer's disease care, analyzes service utilization data, and includes recommendations, metrics, and best practices to address gaps in service no later than January 15, 2020.

Amendment Summary: House Public Health Subcommittee amendment 1 (004088) adds the Tennessee Association for Home Care and the Tennessee Nurses Association to the list of groups who may submit qualified nominees to be appointed to the Council. Deletes language of the printed bill that authorized private citizen members of the Council be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred for attending meetings. deletes requirement that members of the Council attend at least 50 percent of all meetings.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 2, 2019) Increase State Expenditures - \$6,100
Senate Status: 01/19/19 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee.
House Status: 03/06/19 - House Public Health Subcommittee recommended with amendment 1 (004088), which adds the Tennessee Association for Home Care and the Tennessee Nurses Association to the list of groups who may submit qualified nominees to be appointed to the Council. Deletes language of the printed bill that authorized private citizen members of the Council be reimbursed for travel expenses incurred for attending meetings. Deletes requirement that members of the Council attend at least 50 percent of all meetings. Sent to full committee.

SB37/HB1108 **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Repeals revocation of professional license for defaulting on student loans.**

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Powell, Jason
Summary: Repeals revocations of professional licenses in cases where the revocation was the result of defaults on student loans. Requires reinstatement of licenses revoked or denied due to defaulting on repayment of student loans.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 4, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT SB 37

Senate Status: 01/19/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Business Subcommittee.

SB53/HB496

PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Exemptions to licensure and certification requirements for participation in federal Innovative Readiness Training programs.

Sponsors: Sen. Kelsey, Brian , Rep. Hurt, Chris

Summary: Creates exemptions to licensure and certification requirements for various health professionals who are participating in federal Innovative Readiness Training programs, including chiropractors, dentists, physicians, and nurses. (17pp.)

Amendment Summary: Senate amendment 3 (004270) deletes all language after the enacting clause such that the only substantive change is exempting any military health professional licensed to practice in another state, as opposed to various military health professionals, from licensure and certification requirements in Tennessee while participating in an IRT Civil-Military partnership program.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 2, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/14/19 - Senate passed with amendment 3 (004270).

House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee.

SB57/HB978

PUBLIC EMPLOYEES: Public employment by women with pregnancy-related conditions.

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Cooper, Barbara

Summary: Prohibits public employers from discriminating against employees with pregnancy-related conditions, defined as taking adverse action, denying employment opportunities, or requiring employees to take leave. Employers are granted exceptions if providing accommodations for these conditions would result in undue hardship. The human rights commission is charged with developing courses to inform employers, employees, and applicants of their rights and responsibilities, and with hearing complaints from those claiming to be aggrieved by these prohibited discriminatory practices.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 29, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Public Service & Employee Subcommittee.

SB63/HB866

EDUCATION: Expands career and technical education programs to middle school students.

Sponsors: Sen. Robinson, Katrina , Rep. Deberry Jr., John

Summary: Expands career and technical education to grades six through twelve. Program must be available to all students in grades six through twelve, with the program serving at least 50 percent of those students. Requires board of career and technical education to plan facilities for comprehensive career and technical training for middle school students.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$50,000/One-Time Other Fiscal Impact To the extent local education agencies (LEAs) utilize (BEP) funding for career and technical education expenditures as a result of this legislation, there would be an equivalent reduction of BEP funding available for other LEA expenditures. The extent and timing of any such shifts cannot be reasonably determined.

Senate Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

House Status: 02/26/19 - Taken off notice in House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee.

SB64/HB402

EDUCATION: Participation in adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) training.

Sponsors: Sen. Robinson, Katrina , Rep. Staples, Rick

Summary: Directs each board of education to require adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) training for all K-12 teachers, principals, and assistant principals employed by the Local Education Agency (LEA). Requires ACE training on an annual basis before the first day of instruction. Allows for the policy to either adopt the department of education ACE training guidelines or for each LEA to adopt their own ACE training program.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 26, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/27/19 - Senate Education Committee deferred to 03/13/19.

House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Education K-12 Subcommittee.

SB75/HB129

CORRECTIONS: Providing of feminine hygiene products to women prisoners.

Sponsors: Sen. Robinson, Katrina , Rep. Love Jr., Harold

Summary: Requires custodians to make healthcare products available to women incarcerated in a correctional facility at no cost and in a quantity that is appropriate to the needs of the woman without a medical permit. Defines "healthcare products" to include feminine hygiene products, moisturizing soap that is not lye-based, toothbrushes, toothpaste, and any other healthcare product a custodian deems appropriate.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 26, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 03/05/19 - House Corrections Subcommittee recommended. Sent to full committee.

SB80/HB127

CRIMINAL LAW: Expands the offense of indecent exposure in a penal institution.

Sponsors: Sen. Kurita, Rosalind , Rep. Hodges, Jason

Summary: Expands the offense of indecent exposure by those confined in a penal institution to include offenses against staff members employed by the institution, including clergy, educators, and medical professionals.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 7, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/21/19 - Senate passed.

House Status: 03/06/19 - House Judiciary Committee recommended. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.

SB125/HB457

GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - department of health.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry, Rep. Daniel, Martin

Summary: Extends the department of health to June 30, 2023.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 26, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/21/19 - Senate passed.

House Status: 03/04/19 - House Government Operations Committee recommended. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.

SB126/HB458

GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - advisory committee for children's special services.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Daniel, Martin

Summary: Extends the advisory committee for children's special services to June 30, 2025.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 26, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/21/19 - Senate passed.
House Status: 03/04/19 - House passed.
Executive Status: 03/04/19 - Sent to the speakers for signatures.

SB127/HB459 **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - genetic advisory committee.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Extends the genetic advisory committee to June 30, 2025.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 26, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/21/19 - Senate passed.
House Status: 03/04/19 - House passed.
Executive Status: 03/04/19 - Sent to the speakers for signatures.

SB128/HB460 **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - perinatal advisory committee.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Extends the perinatal advisory committee to June 30, 2025.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 26, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/21/19 - Senate passed.
House Status: 03/04/19 - House passed.
Executive Status: 03/04/19 - Sent to the speakers for signatures.

SB129/HB461 **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - Tennessee Medical Examiner Advisory Council.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Extends the Tennessee Medical Examiner Advisory Council to June 30, 2025.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 26, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/21/19 - Senate passed.
House Status: 03/04/19 - House passed.
Executive Status: 03/04/19 - Sent to the speakers for signatures.

SB130/HB462 **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - traumatic brain injury advisory council.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Extends the traumatic brain injury advisory council to June 30, 2025.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 26, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/21/19 - Senate passed.
House Status: 03/04/19 - House passed.
Executive Status: 03/04/19 - Sent to the speakers for signatures.

SB131/HB463 **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - Tennessee Council on Autism Spectrum Disorder.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Extends the Tennessee Council on Autism Spectrum Disorder to June 30, 2021.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 26, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/06/19 - Senate Government Operations Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Government Operations Committee.

SB133/HB464 **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - TennCare pharmacy advisory committee.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Extends the state TennCare pharmacy advisory committee from June 30, 2020 to June 30, 2022.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 29, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Government Operations Committee.

SB157/HB490 **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - standards committee, department of children's services.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Extends the standards committee, department of children's services to June 30, 2024.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 28, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/25/19 - Senate passed.
House Status: 03/04/19 - House passed.
Executive Status: 03/04/19 - Sent to the speakers for signatures.

SB158/HB489 **GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - standards committee, department of human services.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Extends the standards committee, department of human services to June 30, 2025.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 29, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/25/19 - Senate passed.
House Status: 03/04/19 - House passed.
Executive Status: 03/04/19 - Sent to the speakers for signatures.

SB162 **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Requires x-ray operators who hold a certificate of proficiency to be posted.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry ,
Summary: Requires the board of x-ray operators to post the names of every x-ray operator who holds a current certificate of proficiency on its website.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 28, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

SB170/HB405 **EDUCATION: Requires an adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) assessment before suspending or expelling a child.**

Sponsors: Sen. Robinson, Katrina , Rep. Love Jr., Harold

Summary: Requires each board of education to adopt a policy where an adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) assessment must be done before expelling, suspending, assigning in-school suspension, or ordering a student to attend another school. Establishes reports of suspension and expulsion must include and consider ACE assessments. The LEA is required to conduct an ACE assessment when considering disciplinary action if one has not been made within one calendar year.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 19, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$197,500/FY19-20 \$107,500/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years Increase Local Expenditures Exceeds \$6,682,000/FY19-20 and Subsequent Years*

Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

House Status: 02/27/19 - Taken off notice in House Education K-12 Subcommittee.

SB179/HB416 **HEALTH CARE: Board of trustees of hospital authority - employment of former board member.**

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Helton, Esther

Summary: Prohibits members or former members of a hospital authority board of trustees from entering into an arrangement for employment or the provision of labor or services with the authority until at least 12 months following the trustee or former trustee's service on the board.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 11, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 03/05/19 - Taken off notice in House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee.

SB195/HB184 **INSURANCE HEALTH: Proton Therapy Access Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Massey, Becky , Rep. Smith, Robin

Summary: Enacts the "Proton Therapy Access Act," which requires health insurance coverage to cover hypofractionated proton therapy in the same manner as it covers intensity modulated radiation therapy under certain conditions, including patients being a part of a clinical trial or registry.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 14, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT Potential Impact on Health Insurance Premiums (required by Tenn. Code Ann. 3-2-111): Such legislation could result in an increase in the cost of health insurance premiums for hypofractionated proton therapy treatment being provided by the state group insurance plan. It is estimated that the increase in premiums could be less than one percent. A one percent increase in premium rates could range between \$50 (single coverage) and \$140 (family coverage) depending on the type of plan. HB 184 - SB 195

Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee.

Executive Status: 03/04/19 - Joint Council on Pensions and Insurance deferred to 04/11/19.

SB220/HB719 **EDUCATION: Expands category of independent students eligible for Tennessee reconnect grant.**

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy
Summary: Expands the category of independent students eligible for a Tennessee reconnect grant to include students not eligible to be claimed as a dependent for federal tax purposes.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$4,540,700/Lottery for Education Account Other Fiscal Impact Recurring funding of \$4,540,700 will not be available for transfer from the Lottery for Education Account to the Tennessee Promise Special Reserve Account.
Senate Status: 02/27/19 - Taken off notice in Senate Education Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Higher Education Subcommittee.

SB255/HB216 **LABOR LAW: Tennessee Pay Equality Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Clemmons, John
Summary: Declares that an employer shall not discriminate between employees wage rates strictly on the basis of sex. Specifies that an employer cannot prohibit an employee from disclosing or discussing the employee's wages or the wages of another employee of the employer. Also specifies that an employer cannot prohibit an employee from inquiring about the employee's wages or the wages of another employee. Prohibits an employer from discharging, disciplining, or retaliating against an employee who discloses or discusses the employee's wages or the wages of another employee. Requires the commissioner of labor and workforce development to endeavor to eliminate pay practices unlawful under this part. Also requires the commissioner to develop guidelines to enable employers to evaluate job categories based on objective criteria.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 20, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Employee Affairs Subcommittee.

SB259/HB215 **EDUCATION: Bleed control kit training for LEA employees.**

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Clemmons, John
Summary: Requires each LEA, beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, to develop and implement a "Stop the Bleed" program in consultation with local law enforcement. Requires the department of education to develop a training program for LEA employees to instruct the employees on how to use the items contained in a bleeding control kit. Specifies requirements for training program.
Amendment Summary: House Education K-12 Subcommittee amendment 1 (004599) eliminates the requirement that the department of education must develop a training program for LEA employees to instruct the employees on how to use the items contained in a bleeding control kit.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 25, 2019) Increase Local Expenditures Exceeds \$117,700/FY19-20* Exceeds \$11,800/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years*
Senate Status: 03/06/19 - Senate Education Committee recommended with amendment 1 (004459). Sent to Senate Finance.
House Status: 03/06/19 - House Education K-12 Subcommittee recommended with amendment 1 (004599), which eliminates the requirement that the department of education must develop a training program for LEA employees to instruct the employees on how to use the items contained in a bleeding control kit. Sent to full committee.

SB280/HB764 **CRIMINAL LAW: Increase age restrictions for tobacco and vapor-related products.**

Sponsors: Sen. Kurita, Rosalind , Rep. Rudder, Iris
Summary: Increases age restrictions for tobacco and vapor-related products from 18 years of age to 21 years of age.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 18, 2019) Decrease State Revenue - \$6,966,100 Decrease Local Revenue - \$1,001,700
Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Taken off notice in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB281/HB774 **HEALTH CARE: Chronic Disease Prevention Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Kurita, Rosalind , Rep. Ramsey, Bob
Summary: Requires the speaker of the senate and the speaker of the house to establish a task force to study methods on how best to prevent chronic diseases in this state and what funding is available to assist with chronic disease prevention. Specifies membership of task force and requires task force to complete its findings and make a report to the speakers by December 15, 2020.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 19, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$6,300/FY19-20 \$4,200/FY20-21
Senate Status: 02/20/19 - Senate Government Operations Committee deferred to 03/27/19.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB301/HB1456 **CRIMINAL LAW: Prohibits smoking and vaping in cars when a child in a safety seat is present.**

Sponsors: Sen. Kurita, Rosalind , Rep. Ramsey, Bob
Summary: Prohibits smoking and vaping in a motor vehicle when a child who is secured in a child safety seat or required to be secured in a child safety seat is present in the vehicle.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 12, 2019) On February 5, 2019, a fiscal note was issued for this bill. The fiscal note is being corrected because a commerce impact statement was erroneously omitted. The estimated fiscal impact for the legislation remains unchanged. NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Failed in Senate Commerce & Labor Committee for lack of a motion.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB314/HB775 **HEALTH CARE: Civil liability - entity that provides access to an automated external defibrillator.**

Sponsors: Sen. Watson, Bo , Rep. Ramsey, Bob
Summary: Specifies that the entity responsible for the AED program is not subject to any civil liability for any personal injury that results from an act or omission relative to the use of an AED by any person.
Amendment Summary: Senate amendment 1 (004922) specifies that an entity providing AED access is immune from civil liability if an act or omission related to AED use does not amount to willful or wanton misconduct or gross negligence. Adds "and maintenance" after "to the use." House Judiciary Committee amendment 1 (004653) specifies that an entity providing access to an AED is immune from civil liability if an act or omission related to the use of the AED does not amount to willful or wanton misconduct or gross negligence.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 9, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/04/19 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (004922), which specifies that an entity providing AED access is immune from civil liability if an act or omission related to AED use does not amount to willful or wanton misconduct or gross negligence. Adds "and maintenance" after "to the use."
House Status: 03/06/19 - House Judiciary Committee recommended with amendment 1 (004653). Sent to House Calendar & Rules.

SB317/HB199 **HEALTH CARE: Clarifies nurse's permission to determine patient emergency conditions.**

Sponsors: Sen. Reeves, Shane , Rep. Vaughan, Kevin
Summary: Clarifies that nurses are permitted to make determinations that patients are experiencing emergency medical conditions when working with a physician and in accordance with hospital protocol.
Amendment Summary: Senate amendment 1 (004150) makes the bill and adds the definition of an emergency medical condition as a condition manifesting itself by acute symptoms of severity. Specifies certain criteria for a pregnant woman having contractions to be considered an emergency medical condition.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 2, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/07/19 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (004150), which makes the bill and adds the definition of an emergency medical condition as a condition manifesting itself by acute symptoms of severity. Specifies certain criteria for a pregnant woman having contractions to be considered an emergency medical condition.
House Status: 03/05/19 - Set for House Floor 03/07/19.

SB319/HB111 **EDUCATION: Funding of dual enrollment grant program.**

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Cepicky, Scott
Summary: Declares it is the intent of the general assembly that the dual enrollment grant program be fully funded before any funds in the lottery for education account are transferred to the Tennessee Promise scholarship endowment fund.
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Higher Education Subcommittee.

SB337/HB20 **EDUCATION: Payment of costs associated with background investigations for certain LEA employees.**

Sponsors: Sen. Gresham, Dolores , Rep. Reedy, Jay
Summary: Requires the department of education to pay for certain background investigations conducted by the TBI and the FBI for persons employed by an LEA who hold a position as a teacher or any other position requiring proximity to school children or to children in a child care program under certain circumstances.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 9, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$1,750,300/One-Time \$1,373,100/Recurring Decrease Local Expenditures \$847,700/Recurring
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
House Status: 02/12/19 - Taken off notice in House Education Administration Subcommittee.

SB343/HB534 **HEALTH CARE: Decreases the time period a health insurance entity paid a claim and may recoup reimbursement.**

Sponsors: Sen. Watson, Bo , Rep. Hill, Timothy
Summary: Decreases the time period after the date that a health insurance entity paid a claim submitted by the healthcare provider by which a health insurance entity may recoup reimbursements to the provider, other than in cases of fraud committed by the healthcare provider from 18 to 12 months.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 11, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/07/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.
Executive Status: 03/04/19 - Joint Council on Pensions and Insurance deferred to last calendar.

SB360/HB1284 **CRIMINAL LAW: Use of hemp products by minors.**

Sponsors: Sen. Southerland, Steve , Rep. Mitchell, Bo
Summary: Expands the Prevention of Youth Access to Tobacco and Vapor Products Act to apply to hemp for smoking.
Amendment Summary: Senate Commerce and Labor Committee amendment 1 (004554) applies the definition of hemp found in the 2018 federal farm bill.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 23, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/05/19 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee recommended with amendment 1 (004554), which applies the definition of hemp found in the 2018 federal farm bill. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB378/HB378 **TENNCARE: Authorizes governor to make decisions regarding medical assistance programs.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Miller, Larry
Summary: Removes requirement for the governor to receive authorization from the general assembly to make decisions pertaining to expanding optional enrollment in medical assistance programs.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 6, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House TennCare Subcommittee.

SB379/HB108 **LABOR LAW: Harassment of government employee.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Jernigan, Darren
Summary: Permits an attorney for a county, municipal, or metropolitan government to seek an injunction against a person who commits harassment against an employee of the county, municipal, or metropolitan government. Specifies that the injunction may be sought in any court of competent jurisdiction having the power to grant injunctions.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 4, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/19/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to 03/05/19.
House Status: 02/20/19 - House Local Committee recommended. Sent to House Calendar & Rules.

SB385/HB390 **HEALTH CARE: Study on the feasibility of promoting and implementing medical interoperability.**

Sponsors: Sen. Reeves, Shane , Rep. Baum, Charlie
Summary: Requires the department of health to study the feasibility of promoting and implementing medical interoperability in this state. Requires the department to report on its findings and recommendations, along with any legislative or executive actions needed, no later than December 31, 2019.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB387/HB517 **INSURANCE HEALTH: Creation of a committee to study managed care organizations.**

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Hill, Timothy
Summary: Creates a committee to study managed care organizations with goal to study the state expenditures on services for patients in areas of care, including Medicare programs in other states. Requires managed care organizations participating in the TennCare program to submit any information and provide assistance as may be requested by the committee for purposes of the study. Requires the study committee to report whether the expenditures are reasonable along with all other findings and recommendations from the study to the governor and the members of the general assembly by January 1, 2020.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2019) Increase State Expenditures Exceeds \$6,300/One-Time
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/26/19 - Taken off notice in House Insurance Committee.

SB415/HB1208 **INSURANCE HEALTH: Coverage for stem cell therapy.**

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Mitchell, Bo
Summary: Requires every insurer authorized to issue an individual or group accident and sickness insurance policy in this state that provides major medical insurance coverage to make available on an optional basis as part of or as an endorsement to each such policy that is issued or renewed in this state on or after January 1, 2020, coverage for stem cell therapy.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 20, 2019) Increase State Expenditures - \$9,432,000 Potential Impact on Health Insurance Premiums (required by Tenn. Code Ann. 3-2-111): Such legislation will result in an increase in the cost of health insurance premiums for procedures and treatments being provided by plans that do not currently offer these benefits at the proposed mandated levels. It is estimated that the increase to each individuals total premium will be less than one percent. A one percent increase in premium rates could range between \$50 (single coverage) and \$140 (family coverage) depending on the type of plan.
Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee.

SB416/HB385 **INSURANCE HEALTH: Benefits for neurological disorders, including autism.**

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Hodges, Jason

Summary: Requires the commissioner of commerce and insurance to conduct a study for the purpose of determining the amount of insurance policies that provide benefits for neurological disorders in this state. Specifies that the study must include the amount of claims for treatment of autism spectrum disorder within the insurance policies that provide benefits for neurological disorders. Requires the commissioner to submit a copy of the report to the insurance committee of the house and the commerce and labor committee of the senate no later than January 1, 2020.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 9, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee.

SB419/HB380 **HEALTH CARE: Data on asthma.**

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Lamar, London

Summary: Requires the department of health to analyze certain data regarding asthma morbidity and mortality, to survey causal factors such as mold and allergens, and to assess patterns of medical care and population-based health services. Requires the department of health to develop and maintain measures to track and report asthma development and treatment rates. Requires the department to report to the health committees of the senate and the house and on its website asthma development and treatment rates. Requires the department to use the information gained pursuant to this section to guide the development of public health programs and asthma policy.

Fiscal Note: (Dated March 3, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$4,300/One-Time \$116,200/Recurring

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 03/06/19 - Taken off notice in House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB462/HB313 **INSURANCE HEALTH: Establishes certain minimum coverage requirements for health benefit plans.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Johnson, Gloria

Summary: Requires that health benefit plans issued, entered into, or renewed on or after January 1, 2020, provide at a minimum coverage for certain items or services, immunizations, preventive care, and screenings.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 27, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee.

SB464/HB1050 **TENNCARE: Expands governor's authority with medicaid.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Johnson, Gloria

Summary: Authorizes the governor to expand medicaid pursuant to the Affordable Care Act. Authorizes the governor to negotiate with the centers for medicare and medicaid services to determine the terms of the expansion.

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House TennCare Subcommittee.

SB465/HB1001 **CRIMINAL LAW: Medical amnesty - person seeking aid for someone experiencing a drug overdose.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbrow, Jeff , Rep. Beck, Bill

Summary: Exempts any person who seeks medical assistance for a person experiencing a drug or alcohol overdose from arrest, charge, or prosecution for a drug or alcohol violation unless the person has a restraining order or violates probation.

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

SB472/HB677 **CRIMINAL LAW: Reporting of person judicially committed for mental illness to determine eligibility to purchase firearm.**

Sponsors: Sen. Haile, Ferrell , Rep. Garrett, Johnny

Summary: Requires clerks to report the race, sex, and social security number of a person judicially committed for mental illness to the FBI-NCIS index and department of safety to determine eligibility for person to purchase firearms. Requires such information to be confidential.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 19, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/05/19 - Senate Judiciary Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.

House Status: 03/06/19 - House Constitutional Protections & Sentencing Subcommittee recommended. Sent to full committee.

SB474/HB771 **TENNCARE: Enacts Annual Coverage Assessment Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Haile, Ferrell , Rep. Hazlewood, Patsy

Summary: Enacts "Annual Coverage Assessment Act," which requires each covered hospital carry out an annual coverage assessment of four and fifty-two hundredths percent of a covered hospital's annual coverage assessment base.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 20, 2019) Increase State Revenue - \$446,771,000/FY19-20/ Maintenance Coverage Trust Fund Increase State Expenditures - \$446,771,000/FY19-20/ Maintenance Coverage Trust Fund Increase Federal Expenditures - \$843,542,400/FY19-20/ Maintenance Coverage Trust Fund

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House TennCare Subcommittee.

SB475/HB364 **HEALTH CARE: Dispensing of certain controlled substances in a lockable vial.**

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Hill, Matthew

Summary: Requires a Schedule II opioid, Schedule II stimulant, or Schedule IV benzodiazepine that is prescribed or dispensed with more than three days of medication to be dispensed in a lockable vial. Specifies when the prescription is dispensed in an institutional healthcare setting or long-term care setting, or the drug will be administered to the ultimate user by a healthcare professional that such drug does not have to be dispensed in a lockable vial.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 17, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/27/19 - Returned to House clerk's desk.

SB487/HB574 **CRIMINAL LAW: Reporting sexual abuse of a minor.**

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Faison, Jeremy
Summary: Changes the age that triggers the requirement that a physician report suspected sexual abuse of a minor who is seeking an abortion from under 13 years of age to under 18 years of age.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 03/06/19 - Taken off notice in House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

SB540/HB995 **JUDICIARY: Civil liability for treatment of mental health disorders by unlicensed persons.**

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Beck, Bill
Summary: Defines "mental health disorder" to mean a serious psychological condition, including, but not limited to, major depressive disorder, anxiety disorder, bipolar disorder, personality disorder, and post-traumatic stress disorder. Requires an unlicensed person who provides mental health psychotherapy services to provide to the client for the client's review and signature, a statement acknowledging the unlicensed status of the provider. Creates civil liability for an unlicensed person providing mental health psychotherapy services for treatment of a mental health disorder.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 5, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

SB541/HB793 **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Adverse actions against healthcare professionals for recommending hemp-based products.**

Sponsors: Sen. Massey, Becky , Rep. Ramsey, Bob
Summary: Prohibits adverse administrative action against licenses to practice certain healthcare professions, including chiropractors, dentists, podiatrists, and others based on recommending or marketing industrial hemp-based products. Establishes contingencies for changes in terminology relating to hemp under the federal 2018 Farm Bill.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 13, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 03/05/19 - Returned to House clerk's desk.

SB606/HB827 **EDUCATION: Tennessee Hunger-Free Students Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Robinson, Katrina , Rep. Clemmons, John
Summary: Requires schools provide in school enrollment packets meal application forms, if schools are aware of students eligible for free or reduced-price meals and their guardians have not filed the meal application forms, schools are required to file meal application forms for them. Requires all homeless students be provided free meals. Requires schools provide reimbursable meals to students who request them, requires, when students owe a meal debt for five or more meals, school districts verify whether the student is eligible for free or reduced-price meals, attempt to reach the student's parent or guardian and have them fill out a meal application, and a principal, assistant principal, or counselor contact the student's parent or guardian to offer assistance with filling out a meal application, or to determine whether other issues are present within the student's household that may be causing the student to have insufficient funds to purchase school meals and offer any assistance that may be

appropriate. Prohibits certain punishments to students unable to pay for meals including, but not limited to, publicly identifying or stigmatizing students unable to pay for meals, requiring students to do chores as payment for meals, or prohibiting students from participating in graduation ceremonies, school related activities, or receiving a diploma. Prohibits schools from holding students personally responsible for meal debt or requiring parents or guardians from paying fees from collection agencies.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 24, 2019) Other Fiscal Impact To the extent schools recover fewer outstanding debts for student meals as a result of this legislation, there would be additional forgone local revenue of unknown amounts for schools. Otherwise, the fiscal impact of the legislation is considered not significant.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

House Status: 03/06/19 - Failed in House Education K-12 Subcommittee.

SB608/HB702 **TENNCARE: Reimbursement for qualifying home and community-based services received from non-contracted providers.**

Sponsors: Sen. Massey, Becky , Rep. Daniel, Martin

Summary: Requires amendments to rules concerning home-based and community-based settings be consistent with an intent for services to be received in the most integrated setting appropriate to the person's needs. Authorizes the Bureau of TennCare to make to make eligible for consumer direction and reimbursement qualifying home-based and community-based services received from non-contracted providers when: services are provided by a state-licensed program or provider; services are provided in the most integrated setting appropriate to the individual's needs; services are comparable to those included in the home- and community-based CHOICES program; services align with the person-centered individualized support plan; and services do not exceed annual cost limits assigned to a CHOICES benefit group.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 18, 2019) Increase State Expenditures Exceeds \$3,183,000

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/20/19 - Taken off notice in House TennCare Subcommittee.

SB673/HB787 **VETERANS & MILITARY AFFAIRS: Department employee training for those assisting veterans with mental health issues.**

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Hall, Mark

Summary: Requires veteran services department provide training in mental health crisis management to the employees who assist veterans with mental health issues.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 25, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$1,700/One-Time \$88,800/Recurring

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 03/05/19 - House Health Committee recommended. Sent to House Finance.

SB677/HB881 **CRIMINAL LAW: Drug Treatment Instead of Incarceration Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Dixie, Vincent

Summary: Declares that the court will direct that a clinical assessment is performed of all persons charged with a nonviolent drug offense, with their consent. Establishes that first-time offenders will be ordered to complete a rehabilitative drug treatment program and that the offender may be prosecuted to an increased extent if a multiple time offender. Declares that prosecution of a felony or nonviolent crime will move forward in event of failure of the rehabilitation course. Creates the Substance Abuse Treatment Trust Fund to administer the provisions of the act along with a study of the effectiveness of these programs.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

SB696/HB894 **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Study on direct primary care.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Smith, Robin
Summary: Requires the department of finance and administration to study the feasibility of adding direct primary care as a covered benefit under one or more of the basic health plans approved by the state insurance committee for eligible state employees and to report its findings and recommendations no later than December 31, 2019.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 19, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/14/19 - Referred to House Public Service & Employee Subcommittee.

SB738/HB1419 **CRIMINAL LAW: Raises minimum age to purchase tobacco or vape products.**

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Towns Jr., Joe
Summary: Increases the minimum age from 18 to 21 to purchase any tobacco or vapor products. Creates a Class C misdemeanor offense of selling or distributing any flavored electronic cigarettes. Creates a rebuttable presumption that an electronic cigarette is flavored if a manufacturer or any of the manufacturer's agents or employees has made a statement or claim directed to consumers or to the public that the electronic cigarette has or produces a characterizing flavor, including, but not limited to, text, color, or images on the product's labeling or packaging that are used to explicitly or implicitly communicate that the electronic cigarette has a characterizing flavor. Increases the tax rate on cigarettes by 1.25 cents per cigarette.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 24, 2019) Increase State Revenue Net Impact - \$85,025,900 Increase Local Revenue Net Impact - \$349,800
Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee deferred to last calendar.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB759/HB252 **GOVERNMENT REGULATION: Requires accommodations for dyslexic applicants for certain licenses.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Freeman, Bob
Summary: Requires reasonable accommodations to be made for a person applying for a license to engage in an occupation, trade, or profession who is diagnosed with dyslexia.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 20, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Department & Agencies Subcommittee.

SB771/HB879 **HEALTH CARE: Creation of mental health professional education loan forgiveness program.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Dixie, Vincent
Summary: Allows the commissioner of health to select applicants each year for participation in the mental health professional education loan forgiveness program, limited to funding available. Requires participants to meet the service obligation up to a maximum of three years. Establishes the maximum amount to receive and the requirements that are required to be met for eligibility of the loan

forgiveness program. Declares that if the minimum commitment is not met, the commissioner must collect the total amount paid in the program, plus interest established by rule.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Mental Health & Substance Abuse Subcommittee.

SB774/HB1106 **INSURANCE GENERAL: Tennessee Preexisting Conditions Protection Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Powell, Jason

Summary: Prohibits a medicare supplement policy or certificate from excluding or limiting benefits for losses incurred because of a preexisting condition. Current law specifies benefits cannot be limited for losses incurred more than six months from the effective date of coverage due to a preexisting condition. Also specifies that health benefit plans covering small employers cannot impose a preexisting condition exclusion to limit or deny coverage. Prohibits a group health plan and a health insurance issuer offering group health insurance coverage from imposing a preexisting condition exclusion, with respect to a participant or beneficiary. Make various other revisions regarding preexisting conditions.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 9, 2019) Increase State Expenditures Not Significant Other Fiscal Impact An increase in premiums for Medicare Supplement and Long-term Care plans will result in an increase in premium tax revenue. The amounts and timing of any increased revenue cannot be reasonably quantified. Potential Impact on Health Insurance Premiums (required by Tenn. Code Ann. 3-2-111): The proposed legislation could result in an increase in the cost of health insurance premiums for Medicare Supplement and Long-Term Care insurance consumers. Any increase as a result of the proposed legislation cannot be quantified due to the multiple factors equated to insurance premiums and could vary greatly within each individual plan.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee.

Executive Status: 02/25/19 - Joint Council on Pensions and Insurance deferred to 03/11/19.

SB838/HB139 **INSURANCE HEALTH: Health insurance coverage of acupuncture services.**

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Cooper, Barbara

Summary: Orders every individual or group health insurance policy to provide coverage for acupuncture services after January 1, 2020. Allows for more stringent deductible, co-payment requirements and benefit limits than those established for the treatment of other regular health benefits.

Fiscal Note: (Dated January 31, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$720,000/FY19-20 \$1,440,000/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years Potential Impact on Health Insurance Premiums (required by Tenn. Code Ann. 3-2-111): Such legislation will result in an increase in the cost of health insurance premiums for procedures and treatments being provided by plans that do not currently offer these benefits at the proposed mandated levels. It is estimated that the increase to each individual's total premium will be less than one percent. A one percent increase in premium rates could range between \$50 (single coverage) and \$140 (family coverage) depending on the type of plan.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/27/19 - House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee deferred to next calendar.

Executive Status: 02/25/19 - Joint Council on Pensions and Insurance deferred to 03/11/19.

SB849/HB1459 CRIMINAL LAW: Raises age to access or use tobacco and vape products.

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Gant, Ron
Summary: Raises the age to access or use tobacco and vapor products from 18 to 21 years of age.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 24, 2019) Decrease State Revenue - \$6,966,100 Decrease Local Revenue - \$1,001,700
Senate Status: 03/05/19 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee deferred to last calendar.
House Status: 03/05/19 - House Health Committee deferred to the last calendar.

SB931/HB1110 LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Adoption of sanctuary policies.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Powell, Jason
Summary: Allows certain state government organizations, including the department of education, children's services, and health, to adopt or enact sanctuary policies.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Department & Agencies Subcommittee.

SB932/HB1335 CRIMINAL LAW: Local regulation of products containing nicotine.

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Cochran, Mark
Summary: Authorizes any municipality, county, airport authority, or certain utility districts to regulate the use of tobacco products in public places, places of employment, and parks. Specifies that a regulation implemented pursuant to this bill by a local government entity shall not be less restrictive than that required by state law.
Amendment Summary: Senate Commerce and Labor Committee amendment 1 (004924) allows a municipality, a county, or a county having a metropolitan form of government to prohibit the use of tobacco products and vapor products in buildings and on property owned or leased by such entities. Clarifies that smokeless tobacco products are excluded from this legislation.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 20, 2019) Increase Local Expenditures Exceeds \$30,000/One-Time/Permissive
Senate Status: 03/07/19 - Re-referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Cities & Counties Subcommittee.

SB939/HB1429 INSURANCE HEALTH: Medical Assistance Savings Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Stewart, Mike
Summary: Enacts the "Medical Assistance Savings Act" to require health insurance policies to cover a dependent child until the child reaches 26 years of age. Current law specifies 24 years of age.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 12, 2019) Increase State Expenditures Not Significant Potential Impact on Health Insurance Premiums (required by Tenn. Code Ann. 3-2-111): Such legislation would not result in a significant increase in the cost of health insurance premiums because federal law requires coverage until an adult child turns 26 years of age.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee.
Executive Status: 02/25/19 - Joint Council on Pensions and Insurance deferred to 03/11/19.

SB946/HB1213 TAXES SALES: Eliminates food tax, increases sin taxes on tobacco.

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Mitchell, Bo

Summary: Eliminates the four percent state sales tax on food for human consumption. Increases the tax on cigarettes from three cents per cigarette to 8.35 cents per cigarette. Increases the tax on other tobacco products from 6.6 percent to 17 percent of the wholesale cost price.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Finance, Ways & Means Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

SB972/HB1135 HEALTH CARE: Review of charts for practice site visits at a community mental health center.

Sponsors: Sen. Jackson, Ed , Rep. Sherrell, Paul

Summary: Allows physicians assistants authorized to prescribe drugs and advanced practice registered nurses with a certificate of fitness to arrange for the required personal review of the advanced practice registered charts by a collaborating physician in the office, practice site, or a remote site. Authorizes HIPAA-compliant electronic means rather than at the site of the clinic as an option of collaborating physicians by both means as well. Specifies both the physicians assistant and the advanced practice registered nurse must provide services in a community mental health center to be eligible to arrange for the required personal review.

Amendment Summary: Senate Health and Welfare Committee amendment 1 (004610) makes a technical correction by changing the amended code. Senate Health and Welfare Committee amendment 2 (004785) defines "collaborating physician" as physician with the authority to make the prescriptions that the advanced practice registered nurse can make.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 21, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/07/19 - Senate deferred to 03/11/19.

House Status: 03/05/19 - House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee deferred to 03/19/19.

SB974/HB1094 TENNCARE: Federal waiver to establish VolunteerCare.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Johnson, Gloria

Summary: Allows the commissioner of finance and administration to enter into a contract with one or more insurers to provide coverage to those who enroll in the VolunteerCare plan and to grant a person aged 55 or older, ineligible for coverage through medicare, to purchase coverage through VolunteerCare. Requires the commissioner to establish the VolunteerCare plan within TennCare. Defines coverage granted by VolunteerCare.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 9, 2019) Other Fiscal Impact If the waiver amendment is approved by Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), it is assumed the Division of TennCare would experience an increase in state expenditures to administer the program. The extent to which such expenditures will be offset with premiums and copayments from enrollees is unknown. Otherwise, any fiscal impact is considered not significant.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House TennCare Subcommittee.

SB983/HB1092 TENNCARE: Medicaid expansion.

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Hodges, Jason

Summary: Authorizes the governor to expand medicaid pursuant to the Affordable Care Act. Also authorizes the governor to negotiate with the centers for medicare and medicaid services with respect to the terms of the expansion.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House TennCare Subcommittee.

SB986/HB81 LABOR LAW: Prohibits sexual harassment against contract employees.

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Johnson, Gloria

Summary: Establishes that harassment of an employee, applicant, or person providing a service pursuant to a contract based on sex to be a discriminatory practice. Defines employer as a person regularly employing one or more individuals or receiving services of pursuant to a contract, an agent of an employer, an employee in a supervising or managing position, and includes state, county, metropolitan governments, municipal governments, or agencies.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 12, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Employee Affairs Subcommittee.

SB999/HB1218 PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Reinstatement of professional and occupational licenses under certain circumstances.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbrow, Jeff , Rep. Potts, Jason

Summary: Allows the reinstatement of a professional or occupational license if there is submission of an application acceptable to the licensing entity, payment of the full renewal fee for an active license, and payment of any reinstatement penalty that may be required by the licensing entity.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/05/19 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee deferred to 03/12/19.

House Status: 02/26/19 - Failed in House Business Subcommittee due to lack of second.

SB1006/HB56 LABOR LAW: Compensation history of applicants for employment.

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda , Rep. Potts, Jason

Summary: Prohibits employers from screening applicants based on their compensation history by requiring the applicant's compensation history to satisfy minimum or maximum criteria or seeking the compensation history of the applicant orally, in writing, or through an employee or agent. Allows employer to consider the compensation of a current employee during a move of job with the same employer. Specifies that a violation is a Class B misdemeanor punishable by a fine only of a minimum of \$100 up to a maximum of \$500.

Fiscal Note: (Dated March 3, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 03/05/19 - Failed in House Employee Affairs Subcommittee.

SB1029/HB1430 TENNCARE: Medicaid expansion.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Stewart, Mike
Summary: Authorizes the governor to expand medicaid pursuant to the Affordable Care Act. Authorizes the governor to negotiate with the centers for medicare and medicaid services to determine the terms of the expansion.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House TennCare Subcommittee.

SB1098/HB1275 EDUCATION: LEA per-pupil funding - certain residential mental health facilities.

Sponsors: Sen. Dickerson, Steven , Rep. Holt, Andy
Summary: Requires an LEA to allocate prorated daily per pupil state and local funding to an out-of-state residential mental health facility if a student of the LEA is admitted to the facility, faculty are in regulation with the laws of the state, all teachers at the facility are licensed, and at least one teacher is licensed or similarly certified in special education. Defines the requirements of a student to be admitted into the facility.
Amendment Summary: House Education Administration Subcommittee amendment 1 (004854) requires a student to have an individualized education program (IEP) and a referral from a physician based upon medical necessity and the most appropriate services for the child in order for an LEA to allocate funding in an amount equal to the per pupil state and local funds received by the LEA to an out-of-state residential mental health facility on a prorated daily basis for the student's length of stay.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 18, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$86,700 Decrease Local Revenue \$138,000
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
House Status: 03/06/19 - House Education Committee deferred to 03/13/19.

SB1120/HB1342 INSURANCE HEALTH: Notice to an insured concerning the potential out-of-network status of physicians.

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Zachary, Jason
Summary: Requires that notice to an insured person concerning the potential out-of-network status of physicians who will be treating the insured at a facility for purposes of determining billing be given at least three days before first receiving services. Broadly captioned.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 14, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee.

SB1124/HB1455 CRIMINAL LAW: First degree murder sentencing if defendant had severe mental illness.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Ramsey, Bob
Summary: Prohibits a court from sentencing a defendant convicted of first degree murder to death if the defendant proves by a preponderance of the evidence that, at the time of the offense, the defendant had a severe mental illness. Defines "severe mental illness" to mean symptoms of psychosis shown by hallucinations, extremely disorganized thinking, or other significant disruptions of consciousness, memory, and perception that are not attributable solely to repeated criminal conduct or the acute effects of the intentional use of alcohol or other drugs and a documented medical history of one or

more of the following mental disorders: schizophrenia; schizoaffective disorder; bipolar disorder with psychosis; major depressive disorder with psychosis; or delusional disorder.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

SB1150/HB1240 CORRECTIONS: Restricts physical restraints on pregnant inmates.

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Camper, Karen

Summary: Requires a penal institution, correctional facility, or jail, to use the least restrictive restraints on a pregnant inmate. Declares that, unless directed by physician, no restraints will be used in transportation, during any stage of labor, and while recovering from child labor unless deemed a threat. Defines types of restraints. Prohibits solitary confinement for a pregnant inmate.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate State & Local Government Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Corrections Subcommittee.

SB1166/HB1364 CRIMINAL LAW: Offense of female genital mutilation.

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Weaver, Terri

Summary: Declares it to be a Class D felony to knowingly mutilate a female, facilitate the mutilation of a female, or transport or facilitate the transportation of a female for the purpose of mutilation. Specifies that it cannot be a defense to prosecution for female genital mutilation if the act was required as a matter of belief, custom, or ritual, consented to by the minor on whom the procedure is performed, or consented to by the parent or legal guardian of the minor on whom the procedure is performed. Declares that the act is not a violation if necessary to the physical health of the person or due to medical concerns in the event of child labor or birth. Establishes what is awarded to a victim of female genital mutilation after ruling by court.

Fiscal Note: (Dated March 1, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/05/19 - Senate Judiciary Committee deferred to 03/12/19.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

SB1200/HB1454 CRIMINAL LAW: Raises age limit of persons allowed to use tobacco and vape products.

Sponsors: Sen. Reeves, Shane , Rep. Ramsey, Bob

Summary: Increases age of persons allowed to use tobacco and vapor products from 18 years of age to 21 years of age.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2019) Decrease State Revenue - \$3,483,000/FY19-20 \$6,966,100/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years Decrease Local Revenue - \$500,800/FY19-20 \$1,001,700/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years

Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee deferred to final calendar.

House Status: 03/06/19 - House Public Health Subcommittee deferred to 03/13/19.

SB1214/HB1148 HEALTH CARE: Post-Traumatic Stress Injury Awareness Day.

Sponsors: Sen. Crowe, Rusty , Rep. Ragan, John

Summary: Designates June 27 of each year as "Post-Traumatic Stress Injury Awareness Day," a day of special observance.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/25/19 - House passed.

SB1242/HB808 EDUCATION: Designation assigned to school nurses.

Sponsors: Sen. Gresham, Dolores , Rep. Kumar, Sabi

Summary: Requires classified, certified, or any other designations given to an employee of an LEA also be given to employed school nurses.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 19, 2019) Other Fiscal Impact The precise impact on BEP funding apportioned to local education agencies and any impact on expenditures for the Department of Education cannot be reasonably determined.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

House Status: 02/20/19 - Taken off notice in House Education K-12 Subcommittee.

SB1244/HB1392 EDUCATION: Private schools providing parents info regarding meningococcal and influenza diseases and vaccines.

Sponsors: Sen. Gresham, Dolores , Rep. Cepicky, Scott

Summary: Specifies September 1 of every school year as the date by which nonpublic schools must provide parents and guardians with information about meningococcal and influenza diseases and the effectiveness of vaccinations.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 13, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Caption bill held on House clerk's desk.

SB1327/HB1088 PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Application of licensure expedited for military spouses.

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Bricken, Rush

Summary: Deletes requirement that spouses armed forces service members of the United States be actively employed in a profession when moving to this state in order to have their licensure application expedited. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 14, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/26/19 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee deferred to 03/12/19.

House Status: 02/19/19 - Taken off notice in House Business Subcommittee.

SB1428/HB1280 TENNCARE: TennCare II funding by means of a block grant indexed for inflation and population growth.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Hill, Timothy

Summary: Requires the governor acting through the commissioner of finance and administration to submit to the federal centers for medicare and medicaid services a waiver amendment to the existing TennCare II waiver, or to submit a new waiver in order to provide medical assistance to the TennCare II waiver population by means of a block grant no later than 120 days after the effective date of this act. Orders the block grant to convert the federal share of all medical assistance funding into an allotment that is tailored to meet the needs of the state and that is indexed for inflation and population growth. Broadly captioned.

Amendment Summary: House Insurance Committee amendment 1 (004786) requires any negotiated agreement between the federal government and the finance and administration commissioner be approved by a general assembly joint resolution.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 25, 2019) Increase State Expenditures Not Significant Other Fiscal Impact - If approved by the federal government, the level of federal funding that would be approved for the Medicaid program is unknown. The current federal funding level for FY18-19 is approximately \$7,544,537,000.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 03/05/19 - House Insurance Committee recommended with amendment 1 (004786), which requires any negotiated agreement between the federal government and the finance and administration commissioner be approved by a general assembly joint resolution. Sent to House Finance.

SB1465/HB159 HEALTH CARE: Extends Suicide Prevention Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Sexton, Cameron

Summary: Extends the Suicide Prevention Act of 2018. Requires the department of health to compile data on the medications that were prescribed to persons who died from suicide. Requires that a report recommending any necessary programs or policies to prevent suicide deaths in this state be made to the health committee of the house of representatives and the health and welfare committee of the senate no later than June 30, 2020, and by June 30 every two years thereafter.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 20, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$12,900/One-Time \$321,400/Recurring

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 03/06/19 - House Mental Health & Substance Abuse Subcommittee recommended. Sent to full committee.

SB1468/HB1315 HEALTH CARE: Training program for certified nurse practitioners in treating victim of sexual offense.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Windle, John

Summary: Requires the health department seek a grant from the federal health and human services' health resources department and services administration, or any other applicable entity, to develop a training program for nurse practitioners in treating and processing a minor who is a victim of certain sexual offenses. Requires the training program to be free of charge for participants. Broadly captioned.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2019) Other Fiscal Impact To the extent the Department of Health is awarded a federal grant, any such funding would be expended to develop the proposed program. The extent and timing of any such grant and subsequent expenditures for the program is unknown.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 03/05/19 - House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee recommended. Sent to full committee.

SB1470/HB1388 HEALTH CARE: Adds neonatal care to department of health's plan.

Sponsors: Sen. Bailey, Paul , Rep. Williams, Ryan

Summary: Obligates the department of health in developing their plan to consider the feasibility of assisting in the regional development, expansion, and maintenance of specialty level II birthing centers in every health region with certified obstetricians and pediatricians available who are trained in the prevention, early diagnoses, treatment, and stabilization of complications of pregnancy and childbirth. Requires the bureau of TennCare, in consultation with the perinatal advisory committee and with the assistance of relevant state agencies, to report on quality and outcomes in perinatal care for the last two available fiscal years or calendar years to the health committee of the house of

representatives and the health and welfare committee of the senate on or before March 1 of each year. Specifies the report must include a description of any initiatives by the managed care organizations to improve key performance indicators of perinatal care outcomes and a determination of the effectiveness of organizations' initiatives toward improving perinatal care outcomes to residents in each health region.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Public Health Subcommittee.

SJR87 **CRIMINAL LAW: Gun Violence Awareness Day.**

Sponsors: Sen. Gilmore, Brenda ,

Summary: Commemorates July 28, 2019, as Gun Violence Awareness Day in Tennessee.

Senate Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

SJR98 **WELFARE: Revisions and updates to the Medicare Wage Index factor.**

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank ,

Summary: Urges Congress and the United States Department of Health and Human Services to revise and update the Medicare Wage Index factor.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 13, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/28/19 - Senate adopted.

SJR145 **EDUCATION: Athletic trainers on staff at middle schools and high schools.**

Sponsors: Sen. Crowe, Rusty ,

Summary: Urges all middle and high schools to have an athletic trainer on staff.

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

SJR168 **HEALTH CARE: Caregivers to care for elderly with respect and compassion.**

Sponsors: Sen. Crowe, Rusty ,

Summary: Urges facilities, programs, medical professionals, and caregivers in Tennessee to serve, support, and care for elderly with respect, consideration, and compassion.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/06/19 - Senate Health & Welfare Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.

SJR170 **HEALTH CARE: Expansion of medicaid eligibility to combat the opioid crisis.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbrow, Jeff ,

Summary: Authorizes governor to expand medicaid eligibility in accordance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act to fully combat the opioid crisis in Tennessee.

Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

SJR171**TENNCARE: Urges TennCare improve treatment access for opioid addiction.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff ,
Summary: Encourages the bureau of TennCare to improve access to and quality of treatment for eligible Tennessee residents suffering from addiction to opiates and other substances by means of an appropriate federal Section 1115 waiver for medicaid services.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

SJR172**TENNCARE: Medicaid eligibility expansion.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff ,
Summary: Authorizes governor to expand Medicaid eligibility.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

HJR1**HEALTH CARE: Recognizes teen suicide as a health crisis in Tennessee.**

Sponsors: Rep. Staples, Rick
Summary: Recognizes teen suicide as a health crisis in Tennessee.
Amendment Summary: House amendment 2 (004476) deletes all language after the caption and rewrites the resolution. Recognizes teen suicide as a health crisis in Tennessee and acknowledges the need for prevention, research, and support for systems to address the crisis. A certified copy of the resolution is to be transmitted to the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services and the Department of Health.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 30, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
House Status: 02/25/19 - House adopted after adopting amendment 2 (004476).

HJR2**HEALTH CARE: Recognizes gaming disorder as a mental health condition.**

Sponsors: Rep. Staples, Rick
Summary: Recognizes gaming disorder as a mental health condition.
House Status: 01/24/19 - Withdrawn in House.

HJR54**EDUCATION: Opportunities for mentorships and apprenticeships for students.**

Sponsors: Rep. Sparks, Mike
Summary: Encourages schools, nonprofit organizations, and faith-based organizations to increase opportunities for mentorships and apprenticeships for students.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 21, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
House Status: 03/06/19 - House Education K-12 Subcommittee recommended. Sent to full committee.

TNA's Position: MONITOR

SB10/HB2

CRIMINAL LAW: JaJuan Latham Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Staples, Rick
Summary: Enacts the "JaJuan Latham Act," which increases the penalty for any aggravated assault or homicide that occurs by a person discharging a firearm from within a motor vehicle and the victim is a minor at the time of the offense.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 4, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$138,900 Incarceration*
Senate Status: 02/12/19 - Senate Judiciary Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Finance.
House Status: 02/20/19 - House Finance Subcommittee placed behind the budget.

SB160/HB491

GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Sunset - board of medical examiners.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Reduces the sunset termination date for the board of medical examiners from June 30, 2020 to June 30, 2019.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 28, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Government Operations Committee.

SB196/HB261

PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Expands the Right to Earn a Living Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Kelsey, Brian , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Requires entry regulations, public service restrictions, and statutes to be clearly apparent and shaped to fulfill a legitimate public health or safety objective. Allows individuals to bring civil action on relevant licensing authorities that failed to meet standards.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 15, 2019) Other Fiscal Impact Due to multiple unknown factors, the exact impact of the proposed legislation cannot be determined with reasonable certainty.
Senate Status: 02/19/19 - Senate State & Local Government Committee deferred to 03/05/19.
House Status: 02/26/19 - Taken off notice in House Business Subcommittee.

SB204/HB36

PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Suicide prevention training program required for social workers, therapists.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Whitson, Sam
Summary: Requires social workers, marriage and family therapists, professional counselors, pastoral counselors, alcohol and drug abuse counselors, and occupational therapists to complete an approved suicide prevention training program once every four years. Current law requires the completion of the training program every five years.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 11, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 03/07/19 - Set for House Consent for 03/14/19.

SB266/HB104 **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Notification of vacancy - division of health related boards.**

Sponsors: Sen. Reeves, Shane , Rep. Todd, Chris
Summary: Expands the number of legislative committees to which health-related boards must submit reports on board vacancies to include the health committee of the house and the health and welfare committee of the senate. Broadly captioned.
Amendment Summary: House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee amendment 1 (004108) rewrites the bill and deletes a law that put regulation on any person practicing ultrasound sonography in a nonclinical 3D/4D ultrasound boutique setting.
Fiscal Note: (Dated January 25, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 03/05/19 - House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee recommended with amendment 1 (004108), which deletes a law that put regulation on any person practicing ultrasound sonography in a nonclinical 3D/4D ultrasound boutique setting. Sent to full committee.

SB273/HB267 **EDUCATION: Seizure education programs.**

Sponsors: Sen. Massey, Becky , Rep. Staples, Rick
Summary: Encourages LEAs to provide an age-appropriate seizure education program in each public school to teach students about seizures and seizure disorders. Also encourages LEAs to follow the guidelines published by an organization dedicated to overcoming the challenges of living with epilepsy and finding cures for epilepsy, such as the Epilepsy Foundation of America, in creating a seizure education program. Encourages the state board of education to promulgate rules for the development and implementation of seizure education programs.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 13, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Education Curriculum, Testing & Innovation Subcommittee.

SB296/HB311 **EDUCATION: Requires board of education approved salary schedules reflect DEP salary and wage increases.**

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Johnson, Gloria
Summary: Requires the salary schedules approved by the state board of education to reflect certain increases to the instructional salaries and wages component of the BEP in the general appropriations act.
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
House Status: 02/05/19 - Referred to House Education K-12 Subcommittee.

SB322/HB278 **INSURANCE HEALTH: Requires drafting of a memorandum of understanding on a comprehensive online healthcare information system.**

Sponsors: Sen. Jackson, Ed , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Requires commerce and insurance department draft a memorandum of understanding on development of comprehensive online healthcare information system.
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/01/19 - Referred to House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee.

SB352/HB352

COMMERCIAL LAW: Consumer protection - claims related to medical devices and pharmaceuticals.

Sponsors: Sen. Briggs, Richard , Rep. Sexton, Cameron

Summary: Prohibits failure to disclose at the beginning of any legal advertisement or display in a conspicuous location that the advertisement is paid advertisement for legal services, presentation of legal advertisements as a "medical alert," "public service announcement," or other similar language, display of federal logos, use the word "recall" to refer to a product that has not been recalled, failure to identify the person, attorney or law firm responsible for the advertisement. Requires legal advertisements soliciting clients alleging injury from an approved prescription drug cleared by the food and drug administration to include warnings and disclose that the drug or medical device remains approved by the United States food and drug administration. Prohibits transfer of protected health information for the purpose of soliciting an legal services without authorization. Creates penalties for violations, authorizes enforcement by the attorney general.

Amendment Summary: House Consumer Subcommittee amendment 1 (005125) specifies there is nothing that creates or implies liability on behalf of a broadcaster from a federal communications commission or against a cable operator.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 14, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/25/19 - Senate passed.

House Status: 03/06/19 - House Consumer Subcommittee recommended with amendment 1 (005125), which specifies there is nothing that creates or implies liability on behalf of a broadcaster from a federal communications commission or against a cable operator. Sent to full committee.

SB384/HB304

PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Exempts armed forces members and their spouses from licensure requirements.

Sponsors: Sen. Lundberg, Jon , Rep. Bricken, Rush

Summary: Exempts armed forces members stationed within this state and their spouses from licensure requirements to practice professions and occupations regulated by the department of commerce and insurance and the department of health, subject to meeting certain requirements to practice.

Amendment Summary: House Business Subcommittee amendment 1 (004867) requires a person who holds a valid license that practices an occupation or profession in another state to apply for renewal of the license either prior to its expiration in the other state or within one year of the date the person began practicing in this state, whichever occurs first. Requires the emergency medical board, the commissioner, and each health-related board upon application for certification to accept military education, training, or experience completed by a person toward qualifications to receive a license if substantially equivalent to the standards of this state.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2019) Decrease State Revenue Exceeds \$1,000/Health Regulatory Boards Exceeds \$1,000/Commerce Regulatory Boards

Senate Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 03/05/19 - House Business Subcommittee recommended with amendment 1 (004867), which extends time for military personnel or their spouses who are moving into the state to a year to get their licenses approved by the licensing board. Sent to full committee.

SB481/HB901

CRIMINAL LAW: Aggravated assault of utility employees as Class A misdemeanor.

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Jernigan, Darren

Summary: Designates offense of knowingly committing aggravated assault of a utility employee as a Class A misdemeanor and sets an enhanced maximum fine of \$15,000.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/05/19 - Senate Judiciary Committee deferred to 03/12/19.

House Status: 02/15/19 - House sponsor changed from Hodges to Jernigan.

SB486/HB637 **HEALTH CARE: Tennessee Medical Cannabis Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Travis, Ron

Summary: Authorizes access to medical cannabis on a regulated basis for patients with qualifying medical conditions. Licenses and regulates the processes for cultivation, production, distribution, transport, selling, and acquiring cannabis for medical use and research, with cancer, epilepsy, and HIV/AIDS among the classified qualifying conditions for medical marijuana. Prohibits a person from acquiring, possessing, or using medical cannabis without a valid cannabis card. Specifies that to obtain a medical cannabis card, a patient must be 18 years old, provide proof of residency, complete a written form, pay the \$65 application fee, and submit a document of recommendation from a healthcare professional or provide medical records of the diagnosis. Requires that the department of agriculture and law enforcement have access to all patient registry, and the cards will have an expiration date of two years. Establishes the medical cannabis commission for regulation of cannabis-related health care. Outlines commission role as well as qualifications for members, allowing them to issue cannabis cards by 2020. Requires commission to make information available online and to track seed-to-sale transactions. Declares a maximum of 12 urban omni licenses available in Tennessee, with a maximum of three of these in Knox, Shelby, Hamilton, or Davidson counties. Establishes a maximum of 12 RUVI licenses available in the state and the rules of operation. Defines the process of legalizing medical marijuana in your county by a two-thirds legislative vote, and the taxation of each licensure in the state (29 pp).

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Mental Health & Substance Abuse Subcommittee.

SB499/HB585 **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Eliminates restrictions on board of dentistry membership.**

Sponsors: Sen. Akbari, Raumesh , Rep. Staples, Rick

Summary: Eliminates the restriction that any person who is regularly employed by or is a member of the governing body of a dental school, college or dental department of any university cannot be eligible for appointment on the board of dentistry.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 7, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee.

SB508/HB783 **HEALTH CARE: Requires in-state medical students receive priority when scheduling rotations at healthcare facilities receiving state funding.**

Sponsors: Sen. Massey, Becky , Rep. Hicks, Gary

Summary: Requires medical students in good academic standing at accredited in state medical colleges receive priority consideration over medical students out of state attending medical colleges when assigning clinical rotations to a healthcare facility accepting state funding.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Higher Education Subcommittee.

SB510/HB419 **INSURANCE HEALTH: Tennessee Right to Shop Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Smith, Robin
Summary: Requires a carrier offering a health plan in this state, beginning upon approval of the next health insurance rate filing on or after January 1, 2020, to implement an incentive program that provides incentives for enrollees in a health plan who elect to receive a comparable healthcare service from a network provider that is covered by the health plan and that is paid less than the average allowed amount paid by that carrier to network providers for that comparable healthcare service before and after an enrollee's out-of-pocket limit has been met. Allows incentives to be calculated as a percentage of the difference between the amount actually paid by the carrier for a given comparable healthcare service and the average allowed amount for that service, or by another reasonable methodology approved by the commissioner of commerce and insurance. Also allows incentives to be provided as a cash payment to the enrollee, a credit toward the enrollee's annual in-network deductible and out-of-pocket limit, or a credit or reduction of a premium, a copayment, cost sharing, or a deductible. Requires the incentive program to provide each enrollee with at least 50 percent of the carrier's saved costs for each comparable healthcare service resulting from shopping by the enrollee. Requires an insurance carrier to make the incentive program available as a component of all health plans offered by the carrier in this state. Establishes other requirements for incentive programs.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/06/19 - Referred to House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee.

SB547/HB672 **HEALTH CARE: CONs for home care organizations and satellite emergency departments.**

Sponsors: Sen. Reeves, Shane , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Deletes requirement for any home care organization and satellite emergency department facility to apply for and receive a certificate of need.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee.

SB550/HB110 **WELFARE: Employment Opportunities for Parents Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Cepicky, Scott
Summary: Increases employment and self-sufficiency among families by assigning able-bodied parents who have school-aged children and receive food stamps to workforce programs, as authorized by federal law.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB571/HB353 **EDUCATION: School credits relative to occupational training.**

Sponsors: Sen. Bowling, Janice , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Establishes a person who receives certified comprehensive career and technical training in high school and post high school are eligible to receive equivalent credit towards the occupational license related to training.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 24, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 03/05/19 - Taken off notice in House Commerce Committee.

SB579/HB643 **PUBLIC EMPLOYEES: Removes law enforcement as mental health department transportation method for people with certain conditions.**

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Carter, Mike
Summary: Removes law enforcement as a transportation option provided by the mental health and substance abuse services department for people with developmental disabilities, mental illness, or serious emotional disturbance.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 8, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Mental Health & Substance Abuse Subcommittee.

SB609/HB657 **HEALTH CARE: Permits dental hygienists prescribe certain oral health agents under certain conditions.**

Sponsors: Sen. Massey, Becky , Rep. Hill, Matthew
Summary: Permits dental hygienists to prescribe fluoride agents, topical oral anesthetic agents, and nonsystemic oral antimicrobials if they are not controlled substances, do not require a license from the FDA, and if the prescriptive authority is exercised under general supervision from a dentist or authorized public health program. Requires the board of dentistry to set educational and training requirements by rule. Requires board determine allowable percentages of certain active ingredients in medications that may be prescribed by dental hygienists.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 20, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Facilities, Licensure & Regulations Subcommittee.

SB636/HB1162 **TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES: Tests for alcohol or drug content of blood.**

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Ogles, Brandon
Summary: Adds physician assistants to the list of medical practitioners who are qualified to draw blood from a motor vehicle operator for evidentiary purposes in a DUI investigation.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 11, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Criminal Justice Subcommittee.

SB647/HB514 **LABOR LAW: Tennessee State Family Leave Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Johnson, Gloria
Summary: Establishes that family and medical leave insurance benefits are payable to a covered individual who meets one of the requirements of birth, adoption, or placement through foster care, or a serious health concern. Establishes maximum number of weeks family and medical leave insurance benefits are payable. Defines benefit time frame and costs associated. Establishes that the state treasury shall create a fund to benefit the family and medical leave program. Establishes the application for receiving benefit and legality in cases of fraud or tampering from an employer. Declares that the act will go into effect on January 1, 2020. (pp 13)
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Employee Affairs Subcommittee.

SB758/HB986 **LABOR LAW: Tennessee Pregnant Workers Fairness Act.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Shaw, Johnny

Summary: Defines reasonable accommodations in respect to employees who are pregnant. Declares that an employer is not required to construct a permanent, dedicated space for pressing milk. Establishes what an employer is not required to do unless the same accommodations are made for other employees including creating a light duty position and compensate an employee for more frequent or longer break periods. Declares it to be discriminatory based on sex for an employer to fail to make reasonable accommodations for pregnant employees, require an employee to take leave if a reasonable accommodation can be made, and take adverse action against an employee for requesting reasonable accommodations.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 24, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.

House Status: 02/26/19 - Taken off notice in House Employee Affairs Subcommittee.

SB760/HB253 **EDUCATION: Requires LEAs provide dyslexic students specific interventions with trained teachers.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Freeman, Bob

Summary: Requires LEAs provide dyslexic students with dyslexia-specific intervention provided by a teacher trained in dyslexia intervention, requires the department of education to employ at least one dyslexia specialist beginning with the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

Fiscal Note: (Dated March 3, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$97,700/Recurring Increase Local Expenditures \$1,221,100/FY20-21* \$111,100/FY21-22 and Subsequent Years*

Senate Status: 03/06/19 - Senate Education Committee deferred to 03/13/19.

House Status: 03/06/19 - Taken off notice in House Education K-12 Subcommittee.

SB763/HB1000 **EDUCATION: Homeless-student liaison to assist homeless students.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Beck, Bill

Summary: Designates a staff member who is employed in the financial aid office to serve as a homeless-student liaison. Defines responsibilities as studying the provisions of financial aid eligibility of homeless students and identifying services available and appropriate to these students. Requires the liaison to help these students in applying for aid and to develop plans to provide homeless students access to housing resources offered by the institution.

Fiscal Note: (Dated March 3, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 03/06/19 - Senate Education Committee recommended with amendment 1 (005242). Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.

House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Higher Education Subcommittee.

SB767/HB765 **HEALTH CARE: Prescribers of buprenorphine products.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Love Jr., Harold

Summary: Permits a prescriber who is not a patient's obstetrical or gynecological provider to prescribe buprenorphine products to certain patients if the prescriber is a member of the same specialty practice group as the patient's obstetrical or gynecological provider.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 20, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.

House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Mental Health & Substance Abuse Subcommittee.

SB803/HB947 **EDUCATION: Funding programs that address school safety.**

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Lamberth, William

Summary: Amends the school safety grant act to prioritize funding for school resources officers in unprotected schools, and provides new Department of Safety and Homeland Security support for school districts. Part of Administration Package.

Amendment Summary: House Education K-12 Subcommittee amendment 1 (004714) requires the TN School Safety Center with the Department of Education to establish a grant program to award funds to LEAs to address school safety measures and defines the rules, regulation, and application of the grants. Declares that funding to LEAs must be in equal percentage as that district receives in BEP funding, with funding subject to a 25% match, adjusted for fiscal capacity under the BEP formula. Requires the center to set aside funding for grants and prioritize approval for LEAs that had schools where a School Resource Officer is not employed. Establishes that the Department of Safety and Homeland Security will work with the Department of Education to create a safety assessment and provide training on the use of the assessment to local law enforcement to identify vulnerabilities. Requires information on the use and effectiveness of grants to be reported in the SAVE Act annual report.

Fiscal Note: (Dated March 6, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$20,000,000/FY19-20 \$10,000,000/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years Increase Local Expenditures \$6,666,700/FY19-20/Permissive \$3,333,300/FY20-21 and Subsequent Years/Permissive The Governors proposed budget document for FY19-20 (page A-37) includes one-time funding of \$20,000,000 and recurring funding of \$10,000,000.

Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.

House Status: 03/06/19 - House Education K-12 Subcommittee recommended with amendment 1 (004714), which requires the TN School Safety Center with the Department of Education to establish a grant program to award funds to LEAs to address school safety measures and defines the rules, regulation, and application of the grants. Declares that funding to LEAs must be in equal percentage as that district receives in BEP funding, with funding subject to a 25% match, adjusted for fiscal capacity under the BEP formula. Requires the center to set aside funding for grants and prioritize approval for LEAs that had schools where a School Resource Officer is not employed. Establishes that the Department of Safety and Homeland Security will work with the Department of Education to create a safety assessment and provide training on the use of the assessment to local law enforcement to identify vulnerabilities. Requires information on the use and effectiveness of grants to be reported in the SAVE Act annual report. Sent to full committee.

SB807/HB951 **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Licensure exemptions - direct care services.**

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Lamberth, William

Summary: Exempts from licensure requirements a person providing direct care services at most four people receiving services through consumer direction in a Medicaid home and community-based services program.

Amendment Summary: Senate amendment 1, House Health Committee amendment 1 (004801) deletes language in Section 4 that exempts a person providing direct care services to no more than four people receiving services through consumer direction in a Medicaid HCBS program from licensure requirements, and replaces it with language exempting a person providing direct care services to no more than three people receiving services through consumer direction in a Medicaid HCBS program. States that this section does not apply to an individual who holds out to the public as being in the business of providing personal support services for compensation.

Fiscal Note: (Dated February 16, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT

Senate Status: 02/28/19 - Senate passed with amendment 1 (004801).

House Status: 03/07/19 - Set for House Floor for 03/14/19.

SB808/HB952 **EDUCATION: Administration of federal funds for promoting public education.**

Sponsors: Sen. Johnson, Jack , Rep. Lamberth, William
Summary: Transfers responsibility for the accepting and administering of federal funds to promote public education from the state board of education to the department of education. Designates the department of education as the state board for career and technical education. Grants the department of education the authority to administer annual appropriations made for career and technical education.
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Higher Education Subcommittee.

SB810/HB843 **CRIMINAL LAW: Prescription of certain Scheduled controlled substances.**

Sponsors: Sen. Reeves, Shane , Rep. Sexton, Cameron
Summary: Requires all pharmacy dispensing software vendors operating in the state, by January 1, 2020, to update their dispensing software systems to allow for partial filling of controlled substances and to submit documentation of compliance to the board of pharmacy. Allows the board of pharmacy to take disciplinary action against pharmacy dispensing vendors for non-compliance, but immunity is given for a pharmacist acting in good faith in the partial filling of controlled substances even if the pharmacy is non-compliant.
Amendment Summary: House Health Committee amendment 1 (005142) moves date requirement for pharmacy dispensing software vendors from January 1, 2020 to January 1, 2021. Deletes section removing chronic pain guidelines.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 15, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/07/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 03/07/19 - Set for House Floor for 03/14/19.

SB937/HB1219 **PROFESSIONS & LICENSURE: Issuance of temporary occupational licenses to spouses of members of the armed forces.**

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Potts, Jason
Summary: Directs the department of health and the department of commerce and insurance to promulgate rules for the issuance of temporary occupational licenses to spouses of members of the armed forces of the United States who have been transferred by the military to Tennessee.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/05/19 - Senate Commerce & Labor Committee deferred to 03/12/19.
House Status: 02/26/19 - Taken off notice in House Business Subcommittee.

SB951/HB1037 **TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES: Proceeds from the sale of specialty license plates.**

Sponsors: Sen. Kyle, Sara , Rep. Hardaway, G.A.
Summary: Prevents proceeds received by nonprofit organization from sale of specialty license plates from being spent on attorney's fees, court costs, or other expenses for lawsuits filed against state or local government.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Transportation & Safety Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Safety & Funding Subcommittee.

SB987/HB1179 TENNCARE: Removes the use of state-funded pharmacy benefits managers.

Sponsors: Sen. Reeves, Shane , Rep. Terry, Bryan
Summary: Removes the use of state-funded pharmacy benefits managers.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 2, 2019) Increase State Expenditures \$44,580,700 Increase Federal Expenditures \$3,533,600 Increase Local Expenditures \$6,750,000*
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee.
Executive Status: 03/04/19 - Joint Council on Pensions and Insurance released to standing committees with unfavorable comment.

SB1034/HB1114 JUDICIARY: Passive investors in healthcare liability actions.

Sponsors: Sen. Gardenhire, Todd , Rep. Coley, Jim
Summary: Redefines "passive investor" as an individual or entity with an ownership interest of under five percent in a licensee.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 22, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

SB1114/HB1120 GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Creates the state government advisory task force on community resilience.

Sponsors: Sen. Yarbro, Jeff , Rep. Freeman, Bob
Summary: Creates the state government advisory task force on extreme weather and community resilience consisting of 24 members. Requires the task force to assess the historical, present, and projected occurrence of natural catastrophes and extreme weather events in this state and to examine present and projected losses associated with the occurrence of extreme weather events and other natural catastrophes in this state. Also requires the task force to develop recommendations to address vulnerabilities and adverse impacts associated with the occurrence of extreme weather events and other natural catastrophes in this state. Requires the task force to develop recommendations to increase resilience to extreme weather events and other natural catastrophes in this state.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Department & Agencies Subcommittee.

SB1222/HB1376 INSURANCE HEALTH: Informing patients about health insurance acceptance.

Sponsors: Sen. Niceley, Frank , Rep. Sexton, Jerry
Summary: Requires healthcare providers and healthcare facilities, prior to providing a healthcare service to any patient, to inform the patient or the patient's legal representative whether any insurance policy the patient may have is accepted by the provider and if the provider is in-network. Provides an exception for patients experiencing medical emergencies.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Commerce & Labor Committee.
House Status: 03/06/19 - House Life & Health Insurance Subcommittee deferred to 03/27/19.

SB1236/HB77 CRIMINAL LAW: Prohibits abortions after detection of a fetal heartbeat.

Sponsors: Sen. Pody, Mark , Rep. VanHuss, James
Summary: Prohibits abortions or the procurement of miscarriages after detection of a fetal heartbeat, unless there is a medical emergency necessitating the procedure. Requires fetal heartbeat testing prior to an abortion.
Amendment Summary: House Health Committee amendment 1 (004306) removes provision permitting abortion after detection of a fetal heartbeat in cases where the fetus was conceived as a result of rape or incest.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 15, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 03/05/19 - Set for House Floor 03/07/19.

SB1238/HB1158 EDUCATION: Authorizes LEAs to establish a threat assessment team.

Sponsors: Sen. Gresham, Dolores , Rep. Ogles, Brandon
Summary: Allows LEAs to adopt a policy to establish a threat assessment team within each LEA. Specifies that the purpose of the threat assessment team is to develop comprehensive intervention-based approaches to prevent violence, manage reports of potential threats, and create a system that fosters a safe, supportive, and effective school environment. Requires the threat assessment team to include LEA personnel and law enforcement personnel. Specifies that an LEA's threat assessment team may include juvenile services personnel, a representative of the local district attorney's office, a representative of the department of children's services, and mental health service providers.
Fiscal Note: (Dated March 3, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
House Status: 03/06/19 - House Education K-12 Subcommittee deferred to last calendar.

SB1257/HB1029 CRIMINAL LAW: Human Life Protection Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Gresham, Dolores , Rep. Lynn, Susan
Summary: Declares abortion in the state of Tennessee to be an illegal act and the performance of an abortion resulting in a Class C felony. Establishes exceptions to this rule only in the event that a licensed physician determines that the abortion was necessary to prevent the death of a pregnant woman or cause substantial and irreversible damage to the pregnant woman, where neither the woman nor physician will be prosecuted. Specifies that the act would only go into effect in the case of the United States Supreme court overturning Roe v. Wade, as modified by Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pennsylvania v. Case, or by adoption of an amendment to the United States Constitution which restores the authority to prohibit abortion to the states.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 19, 2019) Other Fiscal Impact Due to the unknown timing of when the newly created felony will take effect, the impact to state incarceration costs cannot be reasonably determined.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/20/19 - Taken off notice in House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB1291/HB1085 HEALTH CARE: Requirements for Certificates of need.

Sponsors: Sen. Pody, Mark , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Eliminates the requirement of a certificate of need for healthcare facilities. Removes references to the certificate of need and terminates the Tennessee Health Services and Development Agency. Broadly captioned.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Government Operations Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Finance, Ways & Means Subcommittee.

SB1306/HB78 CRIMINAL LAW: Increases fine for failing to report abortion requests on minors.

Sponsors: Sen. Pody, Mark , Rep. VanHuss, James
Summary: Increases the fine on physicians who fail to report illegal abortions on children younger than 13 from \$500 to \$1,000 for the first offense and from \$1,000 to \$1,500 for the second offense.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 2, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 01/30/19 - Referred to House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB1323/HB1495 GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION: Date state palliative care and quality of life council is scheduled to terminate.

Sponsors: Sen. Roberts, Kerry , Rep. Daniel, Martin
Summary: Changes, from June 30, 2023 to June 30, 2020, the date on which the state palliative care and quality of life council is scheduled to terminate.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 11, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/06/19 - Senate Government Operations Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Government Operations Committee.

SB1384/HB1360 GOVERNMENT REGULATION: Requires prescription of naloxone in certain cases.

Sponsors: Sen. Yager, Ken , Rep. Calfee, Kent
Summary: Requires a prescriber to also prescribe naloxone when prescribing opioids or benzodiazepines to a patient.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Mental Health & Substance Abuse Subcommittee.

SB1418/HB1490 HEALTH CARE: Life Appropriation Act.

Sponsors: Sen. Jackson, Ed , Rep. Ragan, John
Summary: Enacts the "Life Appropriation Act," which prohibits an agency or instrumentality of the state from awarding a grant to pay the direct or indirect costs of performing, inducing, referring, or counseling in favor of abortions. Specifies that these costs include, but not limited to, administrative costs and expenses, overhead costs, employee salaries, rent and mortgage payments, and telephone and other utility payments. Prohibits an agency or instrumentality of the state from granting, appropriating, or distributing a grant to an individual or entity that performs convenience abortions. Defines "convenience abortion."
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB1499/HB1274 PUBLIC EMPLOYEES: Attorney general duties regarding biological sex bathroom policy tribunals.

Sponsors: Sen. Hensley, Joey , Rep. Holt, Andy
Summary: Expands the attorney general and reporter's duties to include court representation of an LEA or certain LEA employees regarding policies requiring students, faculty, and staff use of facilities that corresponds to that individual's biological sex.
Senate Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Civil Justice Subcommittee.

SJR53 HEALTH CARE: Expresses support for National Suicide Hotline Improvement Act of 2018.

Sponsors: Sen. Crowe, Rusty ,
Summary: Expresses support for the National Suicide Hotline Improvement Act of 2018 and the creation of a three-digit nationwide suicide and mental health crisis hotline in the United States.
Fiscal Note: (Dated February 28, 2019) NOT SIGNIFICANT
Senate Status: 03/06/19 - Senate Health & Welfare Committee recommended. Sent to Senate Calendar Committee.

HJR138 HEALTH CARE: Supports the health of an unborn children.

Sponsors: Rep. VanHuss, James
Summary: Supports continued medical advancement to protect babies in the womb.
House Status: 02/13/19 - Referred to House Public Health Subcommittee.

SB327/HB619 EDUCATION: Creation of a coaching network for pre-k and kindergarten teachers.

Sponsors: Sen. Kelsey, Brian , Rep. White, Mark
Summary: Requires the department of education to create and administer a coaching network for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten teachers with the goals of assisting teachers and improving students' abilities. Requires department of education to ensure the availability of early childhood consultants regionally, throughout the state.
Senate Status: 02/04/19 - Referred to Senate Education Committee.
House Status: 02/11/19 - Referred to House Education K-12 Subcommittee.