

Report for: Governor Signed

Currently following 29 pieces of legislation.

HB2

GENERAL APPROPRIATION ACT OF 2019 (Lundstrom, Patricia A.)

Position: Priority: Category:

H AFC/SFC

[2] H AFC-H AFC [7] DNP-CS/DP [8] PASSED/H (46-23) [14] SFC-SFC [22] DP/a [23] PASSED/S (39-2) [13] h/flid cncr [23] s/flid recede- CC [15] h/rpt adptd [24] s/rpt adptd SGND (Apr. 5) Ch.271 (partial veto).

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

House Bill 2 (HB 2) enacts the General Appropriation Act of 2019 and appropriates funds to state agencies.

HB6

TAX CHANGES (Trujillo, Jim R.)

Position: Priority: Category:

HTRC/SCORC/SFC

[2] HTRC-HTRC [9] DNP-CS/DP [10] fl/a- PASSED/H (40-25) [17] SCORC/SFC-SCORC [23] DP/a-SFC- DP/a [24] PASSED/S (32-8) [15] h/flid cncr [24] s/flid recede- CC [15] h/rpt adptd [25] s/rpt adptd SGND BY GOV (Apr. 4) Ch.270 (partial veto).

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

02/27/2019 Synopsis HB 6 HTRCcs

House Bill 6 House Taxation and Revenue Committee substitute (HB 6 HTRCcs) makes many changes to taxation statutes. This bill makes changes to the income tax (new brackets, capital gains deduction, penalties and interest, creates new dependent deduction, increases Working Families Tax Credit); requires combined reporting for a unitary group; and filing of consolidated returns for corporations. HB 6 HTRCcs makes Gross Receipts Tax (GRT) changes: uses market sourcing for taxability, taxes internet sellers, levies tax on hospitals, and limiting hold harmless payments to local governments. Other tax modifications proposed in this bill: Compensating Tax (CT) rate change and expands the tax; increases the Cigarette Tax, Tobacco, Tobacco Products Tax, e-cigarettes, Motor Vehicle Excise Tax, and vehicle registration fees. HB 6 HTRCcs makes an appropriation.

House Bill 6 (HB 6) makes changes to New Mexico's tax code. HB 6 introduces Gross Receipts Tax (GRT) rate reduction; new personal income tax brackets; capital gains deduction limits; penalty and interest forgiveness in certain situations; unitary group combined reporting; consolidated returns for corporations; taxation of in-state sales based on market-sourcing, internet sellers, local option Compensating Tax, and hospitals; Compensating Tax Rate changes; GRT deductions for temporary services and some non-profits; increase in Motor Vehicle Excise Tax, Gasoline Tax, Special Fuel Excise Tax, and vehicle registration fees on hybrid and electric vehicles; limits on hold harmless distributions; and reduction and elimination of Premium Tax credits. HB 6 makes conforming statute changes and an appropriation.

HB226

ADD LAY MIDWIVES AS PRACTITIONERS (Harper, Jason C.)

Position: Priority: Category:

HJC/SPAC

HPREF [2] HJC-HJC [3] DP - PASSED/H (69-0)- SPAC-SPAC [5] DP - PASSED/S (36-0) [4] SGND BY GOV (Feb. 4) Ch. 11.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

House Bill 226 (HB 226) allows registered lay midwives to procure, carry, and administer drugs.

HB230

PLAN OF SAFE CARE BILL (Trujillo, Christine)

Position: Priority: Category:

HHHC/HJC/SPAC/SCORC
 HPREF [2] HHHC/HJC-HHHC [4] DP-HJC [10] DNP-CS/DP [11] PASSED/H (48-20) [19] SPAC/SCORC-SPAC [21] DP-SCORC [23] DP/a [24]
 PASSED/S (35-0) [15] h/cncrd SGND BY GOV (Apr. 3) Ch.190.
 Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.
 Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

3/03/19 The House Judiciary Committee introduced a committee substitute for HB 230 (HB 230CS HJC) that clarifies the role of hospital and birthing center staff, contractors and volunteers in reporting child abuse and neglect based solely on a finding of drug use by a pregnant woman. It requires referral of a drug-exposed infant and the infant's relatives, guardians or caretakers to a plan of care and sharing of certain data. HB 230CS HJC requires the Children, Youth and Families Department to work with various stakeholders to create guidelines and training materials for the creation of plans of care and requires medical assistance plans to establish a process for creation and implementation of plans of care.

House Bill 230 (HB 230) clarifies the role of hospital and birthing center staff, contractors and volunteers in reporting child abuse and neglect based solely on a finding of drug use by a pregnant woman. It requires referral of a drug-exposed infant and the infant's relatives, guardians or caretakers to a plan of safe care. HB 230 requires managed care organizations to work together with hospitals, medical providers and state agencies to establish a process for the creation of plans of safe care.

HB242

CONTACT LENS & GLASSES PRESCRIPTIONS (Gallegos, Doreen Y.)

Position: **Priority:** **Category:**

HJC/SJC
 [2] HJC-HJC [3] DP - PASSED/H (66-1)- SJC-SJC [4] DP/a [5] PASSED/S (31-3) [4] h/cncrd- SGND BY GOV (Feb. 4) Ch. 15.
 Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.
 Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

House Bill 242 (HB 242) pertains to health care and limits prescribing power for contact lenses and spectacles. Criminal penalties and civil remedies are also included.

HB256

ADD E-CIGARETTES TO CLEAN INDOOR AIR ACT (Ferrary, Joanne)

Position: **Priority:** **Category:**

HHHC/HSEIC/SPAC
 [2] HHHC/HSEIC-HHHC [5] DP-HSEIC [12] DNP-CS/DP - PASSED/H (63-0) [21] SPAC-SPAC [22] DP/a [24] PASSED/S (27-13) [15] h/cncrd SGND BY GOV (Apr. 2) Ch.128.
 Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.
 Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

House Bill 256 (HB 256) pertains to health. Modifications are made to the Dee Johnson Clean Indoor Act to now include E-Cigarettes, while also removing certain definitions and restricting areas where smoking was permitted.

HB280

NURSE & MIDWIFE PRIVILEGE PARITY (Ferrary, Joanne)

Position: **Priority:** **Category:**

HHHC/HCEDC/SPAC/SJC
 [2] HHHC/HCEDC-HHHC [4] DP-HCEDC [7] DP [8] fl/a- PASSED/H (44-17) [14] SPAC/SJC-SPAC [17] DP-SJC [21] DP [23] PASSED/S (36-5) SGND BY GOV (Apr. 2) Ch.129.
 Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.
 Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

House Bill 280 (HB 280) relates to health, by requiring health facilities to grant certain privileges to certified nurse practitioners and certified nurse –midwives in parity with physician privileges

HB285

SHORT-TERM & LIMITED-BENEFIT PLAN ACT (Cadena, Micaela)

Position: Priority: Category:

HHHC/HCEDC/SPAC/SCORC

[2] HHHC/HCEDC-HHHC [6] DNP-CS/DP-HCEDC [8] DP/a - PASSED/H (67-0) [14] SPAC/SCORC-SPAC [19] DP-SCORC [21] DP [23] PASSED/S (39-0) SGND BY GOV (Apr. 4) Ch.235.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

House Bill 285 (HB 285) relates to health coverage, by enacting the Short-Term and Limited Plan Act to establish guidelines for short-term and limited benefit health coverage. HB 285 enacts a new section of Chapter 59A, Article 16 NMSA 1978 to ban the sale and issuance of unlicensed and unapproved health benefit plans

HB308

DENTAL THERAPISTS (Gallegos, Doreen Y.)

Position: Priority: Category:

HHHC/HSEIC/SPAC/SJC

[3] HHHC/HJC-HHHC [5] DNP-CS/DP-HJC [6] ref HSEIC-HSEIC [8] DP/a - PASSED/H (61-2) [14] SPAC/SJC-SPAC [19] DP-SJC [21] DP/a - fl/a-PASSED/S (30-12) [13] h/cncrd SGND BY GOV (Mar. 28) Ch.107.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

The House Health and Human Services Committee introduced a committee substitute for HB 308 (HB 308CS HHHC). HB 308CS HHHC amends and enacts sections of the Dental Health Care Act to establish the profession of dental therapist. It enacts a provision of the Department of Health Act to establish minimum qualifications for the director of the Office of Oral Health and enacts a section of the Public School Code to require students to obtain or opt out of dental examinations prior to annual school enrollment.. HB 308 amends sections of the Public Assistance Act and the Nonprofit Health Care Plan Law to provide for reimbursement of dental therapy. It enacts a new section of the Public Health Act to require annual reporting on dental health care access and the status of the Dental Therapist Licensure Program. It enacts a temporary provision to require the Department of Health to conduct and report on a study of the first five years of dental therapy practice in the state.

House Bill 308 (HB 308) amends and enacts sections of the Dental Health Care Act to establish the profession of dental therapist. It enacts a provision of the Department of Health Act to establish minimum qualifications for the director of the Office of Oral Health and enacts a section of the Public School Code to require students to obtain or opt out of dental examinations prior to annual school enrollment.. HB 308 amends sections of the Public Assistance Act and the Nonprofit Health Care Plan Law to provide for reimbursement of dental therapy. It enacts a new section of the Public Health Act to require annual reporting on dental health care access. It enacts a temporary provision to require the Department of Health to conduct and report on a study of the first five years of dental therapy practice in the state.

HB346

EXPAND HEALTH CARE GROSS RECEIPTS PROVIDERS (Trujillo, Jim R.)

Position: Priority: Category:

HHHC/HTRC/SCORC

[3] HHHC/HTRC-HHHC [6] DP-HTRC [12] DP [13] PASSED/H (56-0) [23] SCORC-SCORC

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

House Bill 346 (HB 346) expands the type of providers eligible for certain health care Gross Receipts Tax (GRT) deductions.

HB371

MEDICARE PART B AUTOMATIC ENROLLMENT (Dow, Rebecca)

Position: Priority: Category:

HHHC/HAFC/SFC

[3] HHHC/HAFC-HHHC [7] DP-HAFC [9] w/drn [10] fl/a- PASSED/H (65-0) [17] SFC-SFC [22] DP [23] PASSED/S (37-0) SGND BY GOV (Apr. 2) Ch.136.
Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)**Synopsis**

House Bill 371 (HB 371) adds a new section of the Public Assistance Act directing the Human Services Department to facilitate automatic enrollment into Medicare Part B for qualified Medicare beneficiary recipients.

HB480**GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION EXPANSION GRANTS** (Gallegos, Doreen Y.)**Position: Priority: Category:**

HEC/HAFC/SPAC

[5] HEC/HAFC-HEC [8] DNP-CS/DP-HAFC [11] DP/a - PASSED/H (65-0) [21] SPAC-SPAC [22] DP [23] PASSED/S (40-0) SGND BY GOV (Apr. 2) Ch.141.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)**Synopsis**

House Bill 480 (HB480) relating to health care by creating a Graduate Medical Education Expansion Grant Program and creating the Graduate Medical Education Expansion Grant Program Fund. Also providing funding to create and expand physician residency programs and creating the Graduate Medical Education Expansion Review Board including duties. Finally and appropriation is made by HB480.

SB9**PSYCHOLOGIST PRESCRIPTION CERTIFICATES** (Papen, Mary Kay)**Position: Priority: Category:**

SJC/HHHC

[1] SJC-SJC [3] DP - PASSED/S (39-0)- HHHC-HHHC- DP [4] PASSED/H (60-8) [5] SGND BY GOV (Feb. 4) Ch. 19.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)**Synopsis**

Senate Bill 9 (SB 9) expands who may supervise a prescribing psychologist or psychologist with a conditional prescription certificate who prescribes psychotropic medication; amends liability for supervisors; expands how such supervision can occur; and removes a requirement that these psychologists get getting prior approval for prescribing psychotropic medication.

SB21**HEALTH PROFESSIONAL LOAN REPAYMENT CHANGES** (Kernan, Gay G.)**Position: Priority: Category:**

SPAC/HHHC/HSEIC

SPREF [1] SPAC-SPAC [4] DNP-CS/DP [7] PASSED/S (32-0) [5] HHHC/HSEIC-HHHC [9] DP-HSEIC [12] DP - PASSED/H (67-0) SGND BY GOV (Mar. 27) Ch. 68.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)**Synopsis**

Senate Bill 21 (SB 21) changes sections of various health-profession acts in order to create a loan repayment fund. SB 21 also establishes licensing fees for health professionals and makes an appropriation.

SB41**MEDICAID SERVICES, FRAUD & DUE PROCESS** (Papen, Mary Kay)**Position: Priority: Category:**

SJC/SFC/HHHC/HJC

SPREF [1] SJC/SFC-SJC [3] DP-SFC [9] DP/a [11] PASSED/S (38-0) [7] HHHC/HJC-HHHC [11] DP-HJC [12] DP - PASSED/H (66-0) SGND BY GOV

(Apr 4) Ch.215.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

Senate Bill 41 (SB 41) preserves access to Medicaid services. It provides due process to Medicaid providers and subcontractors and for hearing officers. SB 41 establishes procedures to resolve overpayment disputes and provides for judicial review of a credible allegation of fraud determination.

The Legislative Health And Human Services Committee requested the introduction of SB 41.

SB82

SAFE HARBOR FOR NURSES ACT (Kernan, Gay G.)

Position: **Priority:** **Category:**

SPAC/SJC/HHHC/HLVMC

SPREF [1] SPAC/SJC-SPAC [4] DP-SJC [9] DNP-CS/DP - PASSED/S (40-0) [7] HHHC/HJC-HHHC [8] ref HHHC/HLVMC-HHHC [11] DP-HLVMC [12] DP - PASSED/H (61-0) [23] SGND BY GOV (Mar. 14) Ch. 52.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

SJCcs Synopsis: February 12, 2019

The Senate Judiciary Committee, committee substitute for Senate Bill 82 relates to health care. SJCcs/SB 82 enacts the Safe Harbor for Nurses Act. SJCcs/SB 82 establishes safe harbor for registered nurses and licensed practical nurses. SJCcs/SB 82 requires employers to offer safe harbor to nurses who are requested to engage in practices that nurses believe to be in violation of their legal duties. SJCcs/SB 82 requires employers to develop a process for invoking safe harbor. SJCcs/SB 82 prevents employers from disciplining nurses for invoking safe harbor.

SB135

NATUROPATHIC DOCTORS' PRACTICE ACT (Ortiz y Pino, Jerry)

Position: **Priority:** **Category:**

SPAC/SJC/HHHC/HJC

SPREF [1] SPAC/SJC-SPAC [5] DP-SJC [9] DNP-CS/DP [12] PASSED/S (36-0) [7] HHHC/HJC-HHHC [10] DP-HJC [12] DP [13] PASSED/H (62-1) SGND BY GOV (Apr. 4) Ch.244.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

Senate Bill 135 (SB 135) enacts the Naturopathic Doctors' Practice Act which provides for licensure of naturopathic doctors and scope of practice. It creates a Naturopathic Doctors' Advisory Council of the New Mexico Medical Board. SB 135 amends sections of the New Mexico Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act, the Medical Practice Act and the Unlicensed Health Care Act.

The Legislative Health And Human Services Committee requested the introduction of SB 135.

SB145

COORDINATE MEDICAL TRANSPORT (Tallman, Bill)

Position: **Priority:** **Category:**

SPAC/HHHC

SPREF [1] SPAC-SPAC [3] DP/a - PASSED/S (20-18)- HHHC-HHHC- DP [4] PASSED/H (67-0) [5] SGND BY GOV (Feb. 4) Ch. 28.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

Senate Bill 145 (SB 145) requires coordination between local and regional emergency medical services to develop and implement ST segment elevation myocardial infarction (heart attack) triage and transport plans.

SB188

HEALTH INSURANCE PRIOR AUTHORIZATION ACT (Kernan, Gay G.)**Position:** **Priority:** **Category:**

SPAC/SJC/SFC/HHHC

SPREF [1] SPAC/SJC/SFC-SPAC [9] DNP-CS/DP-SJC [14] DNP-CS/DP-SFC [17] DP - PASSED/S (40-0) [10] HHHC-HHHC [12] DP/a - fl/a- PASSED/H (57-0) [23] s/cncrd SGND BY GOV (Apr. 3) Ch.187.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)**Synopsis**

Senate Bill 188 (SB 188) creates the Prior Authorization Act (Act) which requires the Office of Superintendent of Insurance to standardize the prior authorization process for non-emergency medical care. SB 188 imposes requirements on health insurers and pharmacy benefit managers. This bill has reporting requirements, prohibits contractual arrangements that violate the Act, changes the Health Care Purchases Act and the Public Assistance Act, and expands the Unfair Trade Practices.

SB215**MATERNAL MORTALITY & MORBIDITY PREVENTION ACT** (Rodriguez, Nancy)**Position:** **Priority:** **Category:**

SPAC/HHHC

SPREF [1] SPAC-SPAC [3] DP - PASSED/S (38-0)- HHHC-HHHC- DP [4] PASSED/H (67-0) [5] SGND BY GOV (Feb. 4) Ch. 41.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)**Synopsis**

Senate Bill 215 (SB 215) creates the Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Prevention Act, establishes a review committee and abstractor subcommittee.

SB246**HEALTH CARE QUALITY SURCHARGE ACT** (Ortiz y Pino, Jerry)**Position:** **Priority:** **Category:**

SPAC/SFC/HCPAC/HHHC

SPREF [1] SPAC/SFC-SPAC [4] DNP-CS/DP-SFC [5] DP [8] PASSED/S (36-0) [5] HCPAC/HHHC-HCPAC [8] DP-HHHC [10] DP [12] PASSED/H (62-0) [23] SGND BY GOV (Mar. 14) Ch. 53.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)**Synopsis**

Senate Bill 246CS SPAC (SB 246CS SPAC) enacts the Health Care Quality Surcharge Act. It imposes a temporary surcharge on certain health care facilities. It provides the revenue from the surcharge will be used to reimburse a portion of the surcharge as a Medicaid-allowable cost. It will increase Medicaid provider reimbursement rates. SB 246CS SPAC provides a delayed repeal of the act

Senate Bill 246 (SB 246) enacts the Health Care Quality Surcharge Act. It imposes a temporary surcharge on certain health care facilities. It provides the revenue from the surcharge will be used to reimburse a portion of the surcharge as a Medicaid-allowable cost. It will increase Medicaid provider reimbursement rates. SB 246 provides a delayed repeal of the act and makes the act contingent on federal authorization of the act. It makes an appropriation and declares an emergency.

SB271**PHARMACY LICENSURE & REGISTRATION COMPLIANCE** (Campos, Pete)**Position:** **Priority:** **Category:**

SPAC/SJC/HHHC/HJC

[1] SPAC/SJC-SPAC [9] DP/a-SJC [14] DP/a [15] PASSED/S (32-0) [9] HHHC/HJC-HHHC [12] DP-HJC [14] DP [15] PASSED/H (61-0) SGND BY GOV (Mar. 28) Ch. 98.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)**Synopsis**

Senate Bill 271 (SB 271) establishes additional licensure and registration requirements in the Pharmacy Act. SB 271 also provides liability and communication protections and penalties.

SB309**INSURANCE ULTRASOUND AUTHORIZATIONS** (Stefanics, Elizabeth)

Position: **Priority:** **Category:**

SPAC/SCORC/HHHC

[3] SPAC/SCORC-SPAC [12] DP/a-SCORC [17] DP [19] PASSED/S (35-0) [11] HHHC-HHHC [12] DP [15] PASSED/H (59-0) SGND BY GOV (Apr. 3) Ch.182.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

Senate Bill 309 (SB309) relates to health insurance by prohibiting prior authorization for gynecological or obstetrical ultrasound. SB 309 contains an emergency clause.

SB337**SURPRISE BILLING PROTECTION ACT** (Lopez, Linda M.)

Position: **Priority:** **Category:**

SCORC/SJC/HHHC

[3] SCORC/SJC-SCORC [15] DNP-CS/DP-SJC [21] DP/a - PASSED/S (40-0) [12] HHHC-HHHC [13] DP/a [15] PASSED/H (59-0) [24] s/cncrd SGND BY GOV (Apr. 3) Ch.227.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

Senate Bill 337 (SB 337) enacts the Surprise Billing Protection Act which provides for protection of covered persons from unexpected billing from providers that do not participate in their health benefits plan; the bill also makes Surprise Billing an Unfair Practice, allows for a cause of action for unpaid refunds of a Surprise Billing event, and allows for the imposition of fines.

SB349**LICENSURE FOR VISITING SPORTS PHYSICIANS** (Moores, Mark)

Position: **Priority:** **Category:**

SPAC/SJC/HHHC

[3] SPAC/SJC-SPAC [12] DP-SJC [17] DP [19] PASSED/S (36-0) [11] HHHC-HHHC [12] DP [13] PASSED/H (58-5) SGND BY GOV (Apr. 3) Ch.184.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

Senate Bill 349 (SB349) relates to professional licensure by enacting new Sections of the Medical Practice Act and the Osteopathic Medicine act to provide a temporary exemption to licensure requirements to visiting physicians who provide care to out of state team members and staff during sporting events.

SB354**HEALTH COVERAGE VIA TELEMEDICINE** (Ortiz y Pino, Jerry)

Position: **Priority:** **Category:**

SPAC/SCORC/HHHC/HCEDC

[4] SPAC/SCORC-SPAC [9] DP/a-SCORC [12] DP [15] PASSED/S (36-0) [9] HHHC/HCEDC-HHHC [12] DP-HCEDC [14] DP [15] PASSED/H (62-1) SGND BY GOV (Apr. 4) Ch.255.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)

Synopsis

Senate Bill 354 (SB 354) amends sections of the Health Care Purchasing Act, the New Mexico Insurance Code, the Health Maintenance Organization Law, and the Nonprofit Health Care Plan Law to prohibit certain restrictions on and establish new requirements for coverage of services provided via telemedicine

SB356**BOARD & COMMISSION SUNSET DATES** (Cisneros, Carlos R.)**Position:** **Priority:** **Category:**

SPAC/SFC/HSEIC

[4] SPAC/SFC-SPAC [12] DP-SFC- DP [13] PASSED/S (40-0) [8] HSEIC-HSEIC [10] DP [12] fl/a- PASSED/H (57-2) [21] s/cncrd SGND BY GOV (Apr. 2) Ch.168.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)**Synopsis**

Senate Bill 356 (SB 356) extends the sunset dates of certain licensing boards and commissions to become effective July 1, 2019.

SB406**MEDICAL MARIJUANA CHANGES** (Ortiz y Pino, Jerry)**Position:** **Priority:** **Category:**

SPAC/SJC/HSEIC

[4] SPAC/SJC-SPAC [15] DNP-CS/DP-SJC [17] DP/a [19] fl/aa- PASSED/S (33-2) [12] HSEIC-HSEIC- DP [15] PASSED/H (50-15) SGND BY GOV (Apr. 4) Ch.247.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)**Synopsis**

Senate Bill 406 makes significant changes to the Lynn Erin Compassionate Use Act (for the medical marijuana program) including expanding the medical conditions allowing a person to qualify for the program, decreasing how often patients must recertify, allowing caregivers to assist with purchases, preventing the Department of Health (DOH) from regulating the THC concentration in cannabis products, creating a Qualified Patient Advisory Board, allowing patients to possess or use cannabis in the workplace or other public spaces, increasing quantities for possession and cultivation, establishing full reciprocity with other states and Indian nations, tribes and pueblos, requiring DOH to rule on an applicant's registry request within 24 hours with a presumption of approval and other changes. Generally, the provisions conform with the idea that ". . . .A qualified patient's use of cannabis . . . shall be considered the equivalent of the use of any other medication under the supervision of a physician . . ."

SB415**PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER ACT CHANGES** (O'Neill, Bill B.)**Position:** **Priority:** **Category:**

SCORC/SJC/HHHC

[5] SCORC/SJC-SCORC [12] DNP-CS/DP-SJC [21] DNP-CS/DP [22] PASSED/S (30-0) [13] HHHC-HHHC [14] DP [15] PASSED/H (61-2) SGND BY GOV (Apr. 4) Ch.269.

Scheduled: Not Scheduled at this time.

Link to bill information: [PDF](#) | [FIR](#)**Synopsis**

Senate Bill 415 (SB415) relates to health care by modifying and enacting Sections of the Pharmacy Benefits Management Regulation Act and providing for renewal of pharmacy benefits manager licensing . Also, would require disclosure of document during an investigation process and providing for an appeals process. Further, SB415 requires the provision of certain documents or information upon request and requires certain contractual provisions, limiting pharmacy benefits manager charges to those itemized in a contract and finally clarifying prohibited trade practices and penalties.