

Harrisburg Update 6-15-2018

Agency Meetings and Notices

- **Patient Safety Authority**
Monday, June 18, 10:00 am, The Conference Center at Central Penn College, 600 Valley Road, Summerdale
Board Meeting
For additional information: 717 346 0469
- **State Board of Medicine**
Tuesday, June 19, 9:00 am, 2601 North Third Street, Harrisburg
Board Meeting
For additional information: 717 783 1400
- **Department of Health**
Tuesday, June 19, Dixon University Center, 2986 North Second Street, Administrative Building, Conference Room A/B, Harrisburg
Rare Disease Advisory Council Meeting
For additional information: 717 787 6214

PA Bulletin

- **Department of Health**
The Department of Health gives notice that the Medical Marijuana Advisory Board will meet from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. on the following dates: Wednesday, August 22, 2018; Thursday, November 15, 2018; Friday, February 1, 2019; Wednesday, May 15, 2019; Wednesday, August 14, 2019; and Wednesday, November 13, 2019. The location for all previously listed meetings will be in the Forest Room, Keystone Building Meeting Center, Keystone Building, 400 North Street, Suite 114 East, Harrisburg, PA. Check the medical marijuana tab on the Department's web site at www.health.pa.gov the day prior to each meeting to see the agenda. For additional information, including an alternative format of this notice (for example, large print, audiotape, Braille) or for persons with a disability who wish to attend the meeting who require an auxiliary aid, service or other accommodation to do so, contact Holli Senior, Special Assistant, Office of Medical Marijuana, 625 Forster Street, Room 628, Health and Welfare Building, Harrisburg, PA 17120, (717) 547-3047, or for speech and/or hearing-impaired persons, call the Pennsylvania AT&T Relay Service at (800) 654-5984 (TDD users) or (800) 654-5988 (voice users). A meeting is subject to cancellation without notice.
For additional information: <https://www.pabulletin.com/secure/data/vol48/48-24/938.html>
- **Department of Human Services**
The Department of Human Services is providing final notice of its funding allocation for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017-2018 disproportionate share hospital payments to qualifying Medical Assistance enrolled critical access hospitals and qualifying rural hospitals. The Department is not otherwise changing the qualifying criteria or payment methodology for these payments. The Department published notice of its intent to allocate funding for these payments at 47 Pa.B. 7772 (December 23, 2017). The Department received no comments during the 30-day comment period and will implement the change as described in the notice of intent.

Fiscal Impact

The FY 2017-2018 impact, as a result of the funding allocation for these payments, is \$21.165 million (\$10.197 million in State general funds and \$10.968 million in Federal funds).

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Department of Health Message Board

- Recommendations for Managing and Reporting Shigella Infections with Possible Reduced Susceptibility to Ciprofloxacin
See attachment in email

House 2018 Spring Session Schedule

- June 18, 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30

Senate 2018 Spring Session Schedule

- June 18, 19, 20, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29

Committee Schedule for the Week of June 18

House

- ***House Appropriations Committee***
Monday, June 18; Tuesday, June 19; Wednesday, June 20; Thursday, June 21, Off the Floor, Room 140, Main Capitol
Agendas to be announced
- ***House Judiciary Committee***
Tuesday, June 19, 9:00 am, Room 140, Main Capitol
To consider:
HB 2266, PN 3503 (Cruz) - Amends the Mental Health Procedures Act requiring the notification of the Pennsylvania State Police of the identity of any individual who has been adjudicated incompetent or who has been involuntarily committed to a mental institution for inpatient care and treatment within 72 hours of the adjudication, commitment or treatment instead of the current within seven days requirement.
Bill Text:
<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDPCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=2266&pn=3503>
- ***House Aging and Older Adult Services Committee (Informational)***
Wednesday, June 20, 9:00 am, Room 60, East Wing
Informational meeting on:
HB 2291, PN 3419 (Evankovich) - Amends the Human Services Code, in departmental powers and duties as to licensing, further providing for definitions. The bill establishes that a personal care home shall not include: a living unit as defined in the Continuing-Care Provider Registration and Disclosure Act; A senior multifamily housing unit provided by the Department of Housing

and Urban Development, the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Housing Service or the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program; or any other independent living setting or apartment privately leased or rented to an individual without the provision or coordination of support or care as part of the lease or rental agreement.

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=2291&pn=3419>

Senate

- **Senate Judiciary Committee**

Monday, June 18, Off the Floor, Rules Committee Conference Room

To consider:

HB 1124, PN 2809 (Cox) - Amends Title 18 (Crimes) making changes to the provisions relating to neglect of care-dependent persons. Adds a preamble stating legislative intent is to target intentional and reckless, but not negligent, conduct that causes bodily harm to care-dependent person. Provides an individual commits the offense of neglect if the individual intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly endangers the welfare of a care-dependent person by failing to provide treatment, care, goods or services necessary to preserve the care-dependent person's health, safety or welfare. Further provides for grading of offenses. Also adds a new section providing for the crime of abuse of care-dependent person. Clarifies that the offense of neglect of a care-dependent person is not intended to be enforced against persons making a good-faith effort to provide care.

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=1124&pn=2809>

Floor Schedule for the Week of June 18

House (from the Republican Week Ahead)

- HB 2212, PN 3666 (Heffley) - Amends the Human Services Code, in public assistance, providing for financial disclosures for pharmacy services by prohibiting any pharmacy benefits manager that contracts with a medical assistance managed care organization under contract with the department from utilizing any confidentiality provisions which would in effect prohibit disclosure of information to the medical assistance managed care organization and the department upon its request. **This bill was placed on the House Voting Schedule for second consideration on Tuesday, June 19.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=2212&pn=3666>

- HB 2477, PN 3658 (Watson) - Amends the Medical Marijuana Act, in academic clinical research centers, further providing for chapter heading, providing for legislative findings and declaration of policy, further providing for definitions, providing for academic clinical research centers, further providing for clinical registrants and for research study and providing for temporary regulations. The stated intent of the bill is to create a mechanism whereby Commonwealth medical schools and hospitals may provide advice

to grower/ processors and dispensaries in the areas of patient health and safety, medical applications and dispensing and management of controlled substances, among other areas. It is the further intent to create a mechanism whereby the Commonwealth may encourage research associated with medical marijuana. It is the policy of the Commonwealth to allow, in addition to the 25 grower/processors and 50 dispensaries initially authorized under section 616, the operation of additional grower/processors and dispensaries which will be approved by the department as clinical registrants. A clinical registrant is a grower/processor and a dispensary which has a contractual relationship with a medical school that operates or partners with a hospital to provide advice about medical marijuana so that patient safety may be enhanced. **This bill was placed on the House Voting Schedule for second consideration on Monday, June 18 and third consideration on Tuesday, June 19.**

There are several amendments posted to this bill.

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- SB 978, PN 1860 (Baker) - Act providing for the disposal of hospice or home health care patient medication. **This bill was placed on the House Voting Schedule for second consideration on Monday, June 18 and third consideration on Tuesday, June 19.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=S&billTyp=B&billNbr=0978&pn=1860>

Senate (from the Senate Calendar)

- SB 576, PN 1562 (Dinniman) - The Cancer Trial Access for Pennsylvania Patients (TAPP) Act provides for the reimbursement of programs for patient expenses associated with participation in cancer clinical trials and for the duties of the Department of Health. All sponsors of cancer clinical trials shall inform potential patient-subjects at the time of the informed consent process of the following: (1) Reimbursement for travel and ancillary costs is available to all enrollees based on financial need; (2) Coverage of the travel and other ancillary costs is done to eliminate financial barriers to enrollment in order to retain patient-subjects in the clinical trial; and (3) Family, friends or chaperones that attend the cancer clinical trial treatments to support the patient-subject are eligible for reimbursement of their travel and ancillary expenses. Allows government, industry, public and private foundations, and corporations to offer financial support through their support of a third-party reimbursement entity. **This bill was placed on the Senate Calendar for second consideration on Monday, June 18.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=S&billTyp=B&billNbr=0576&pn=1562>

- SB 963, PN 1352 (Ward) - Amends the Workers' Compensation Act allowing employers to request an Impairment Rating Evaluation after an employee has received total disability compensation for a period of 104 weeks. Requires the employee to submit to a medical evaluation which shall be requested by the insurer within 60 days upon the expiration of the 104 weeks to determine the degree of impairment due to

compensable injury. Further provides for physical examination or expert interview. **This bill was placed on the Senate Calendar for second consideration on Monday, June 18.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=S&billTyp=B&billNbr=0963&pn=1352>

- SB 1019, PN 1876 (Vulakovich) - Amends Title 35 (Health & Safety), est. Gov. Office of Homeland Sec., for temp. housing, debris removal, disaster loans, assistance, approp. of unused Commonwealth funds, est. Disaster Emergency Fund, for powers & duties of PEMA. **This bill was placed on the Senate Calendar for second consideration on Monday, June 18.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=S&billTyp=B&billNbr=1019&pn=1876>

- SB 1074, PN 1538 (Killion) - Amends the Osteopathic Medical Practice Act further providing for genetic counselor. The bill establishes that a genetic counselor may provide genetic counseling to clients, which includes: identify, order and coordinate genetic laboratory tests and other diagnostic studies as appropriate for the genetic assessment. **This bill was placed on the Senate Calendar for second consideration on Monday, June 18.**

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- SB 1169, PN 1749 (Killion) - Amends the Medical Practice Act further providing for genetic counselor. The bill adds that a genetic counselor may provide genetic counseling to clients by ordering genetic laboratory tests and other diagnostic studies as appropriate for the genetic assessment. **This bill was placed on the Senate Calendar for second consideration on Monday, June 18.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=S&billTyp=B&billNbr=1169&pn=1749>

- HB 17, PN 2003 (Hahn) - Amends the Pennsylvania Drug and Alcohol Abuse Control Act to allow a parent or legal guardian to give consent over the objection of the minor for medical care or counseling related to diagnosis or treatment of substance abuse. Further provides when a parent or legal guardian signs the consent for furnishing medical care and counseling on behalf of the minor and the minor refuses to sign the consent form to release the treatment information to the minor's parent or legal guardian, the practitioner, hospital, clinic or drug and alcohol treatment facility providing treatment may only inform the parent or legal guardian of the facts relevant to reducing a threat to the minor in accordance with state or federal law. Also allows parents access to their minor child's patient record to the extent it is permissible under federal or state law. Requires a facility to notify a parent or legal guardian when a minor revokes the consent to treatment or consent to share information. **This bill was placed on the Senate Calendar for second consideration on Monday, June 18.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=0017&pn=2003>

- HB 126, PN 2004 (Baker – resigned) – The Epinephrine Auto-Injector Entity Act provides for the use and stock of epinephrine auto-injectors by recreation camps, colleges and universities, day-care facilities, youth sports leagues, amusement parks, restaurants, places of employment, and sports arenas. Requires completed training by employees of eligible institutions before administration and provides Good Samaritan protections. Also allows training to be conducted by a health care practitioner employed or contracted by an authorized entity. **This bill was placed on the Senate Calendar for third consideration on Monday, June 18.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=0126&pn=2004>

- HB 1659, PN 3461 (Tobash) - Amends the Human Services Code, in general powers and duties, providing for work requirements for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) by establishing the department may not apply for, accept, or renew a waiver of requirements established under section 5 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 without prior approval of the General Assembly and requiring adult recipients to comply with and submit proof of compliance with various work requirements as a condition of participation and continuing eligibility for food assistance. The work requirements shall only apply to Able-Bodied Adults without Dependents (ABAWDs). Requires the Department of Human Services to provide notice to adult recipients on the date of annual renewal that eligibility will be terminated if the recipient fails to meet the requirements and locations where assistance to meet the requirements is available. Also requires the department to provide a form notice to county assistance offices that eligibility for SNAP shall be terminated three months after the notice if the recipient fails to comply with the work, community service or education requirements. **This bill was placed on the Senate Calendar for third consideration on Monday, June 18.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=1659&pn=3461>

- HB 1800, PN 3681 (Nelson) - Amends Title 40 (Insurance), in regulation of insurers and related persons generally, providing for medication synchronization. The bill establishes no individual or group health insurance plan providing prescription drug coverage shall deny coverage for the dispensing of a medication that is dispensed by a network pharmacy on the basis that the dispensing is for a partial supply if the prescriber or pharmacist determines the fill or refill to be in the best interest of the patient and the patient requests or agrees to a partial supply for the purpose of medication synchronization. **This bill was placed on the Senate Calendar for second consideration on Monday, June 18.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=1800&pn=3681>

- HB 2050, PN 3034 (Turzai) - Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses), in abortion, defining "Down syndrome" and further providing for medical consultation and judgment by stipulating that no abortion shall be deemed necessary if sought exclusively for either or both of the following reasons: (1) The sex of the unborn child; and (2) A prenatal diagnosis of, or belief that the unborn child has, Down syndrome. **This bill was placed on the Senate Calendar for second consideration on Monday, June 18.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=2050&pn=3034>

- HB 2138, PN 3328 (Dowling) - Amends the Human Services Code, in public assistance, providing for work requirements. The bill requires the secretary to apply to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a demonstration program under section 1115 of the Social Security Act in order to institute a work requirement for a Medicaid enrollee who meets certain criteria. **This bill was placed on the Senate Calendar for third consideration on Monday, June 18.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=2138&pn=3328>

Legislative Floor Action for the Week of June 11

House

- HB 899, PN 1021 (Oberlander) - Amends the Human Services Code, in public assistance, providing for compensable services and items by allowing anti-obesity drugs approved by the Food and Drug Administration to be considered a compensable item under the medical assistance program; and abrogating a related regulation. **This bill received second consideration on Tuesday, June 12 and third consideration and final passage on Wednesday, June 13.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=0899&pn=1021>

- HB 1514, PN 1939 (Rapp) - The Early Childhood Vision Care Education Act requires the Department of Health to establish the Early Childhood Vision Care Education Program to promote public awareness of the need for vision care for young children and the value of early detection, diagnosis and treatment of vision disorders and eye diseases. The bill also provides for evaluation of the program by the department, who shall share its evaluation with the General Assembly. **This bill received second consideration on Tuesday, June 12 and third consideration and final passage on Wednesday, June 13.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=1514&pn=1939>

- HB 1987, PN 3678 (Barbin) - Amends the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act providing that fentanyl and fentanyl derivatives shall only be dispensed to a patient who is being treated on an inpatient basis or remains in observation status, or

during a surgery that takes place in a health care facility; for use in palliative or hospice care; for use in the management of pain associated with cancer; for use in the management of chronic pain not associated with cancer if the prescriber documents the condition and states the reason why another medication is not appropriate; or to a patient whose treatment is associated with a medical emergency as documented in the individual's medical record. Further provides in instances where, in the professional medical judgment of prescriber, fentanyl is required to stabilize an individual's acute medical condition, the prescriber may prescribe no more than a seven-day supply of fentanyl. Also provides the Department of Health, in consultation with the State Police, shall issue an annual report to the General Assembly regarding fentanyl overdoses and dispensing data. **This bill received second consideration on Tuesday, June 12 and third consideration and final passage on Wednesday, June 13.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=1987&pn=3678>

- HB 2200, PN 3663 (Ortitay) - Amends the Administrative Code, in powers and duties of the Department of Justice and its departmental administrative boards, further providing for Bureau of Consumer Protection and providing for opioid action task force; in powers and duties of the Department of Health and its departmental administrative and advisory boards, further providing for residential drug and alcohol treatment programs for pregnant women and mothers and their dependent children and for staff training and referral mechanisms; in powers and duties of the Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, providing for residential drug and alcohol treatment programs for pregnant women and mothers and their dependent children; providing for intergovernmental collaboration on substance abuse and for public health emergency; and making editorial changes. The bill establishes that the Attorney General shall establish an opioid action task force to coordinate efforts with district attorneys and local governments relating to legal action against opioid drug makers, distributors and prescribing physicians. The department of drug and alcohol programs shall submit the report to the Pennsylvania advisory council on drug and alcohol abuse, where the report shall be subject to public comment at a public meeting. Adds a chapter relating to declaration of public health emergency. **This bill received first consideration on Tuesday, June 12.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=2200&pn=3663>

- HB 2211, PN 3665 (Ward) - The Consumer Prescription Drug Pricing Disclosure Act provides for consumer prescription drug pricing disclosure by stating that a pharmacy or pharmacist shall have the right to provide a covered individual with information concerning the cost of a prescription drug, including the individual's cost share; and neither a pharmacy, a pharmacist nor its contracting agent shall be prohibited from or penalized by a pharmacy benefits manager for discussing the information, disclosing the availability of any therapeutically equivalent alternative medications or selling to the covered individual a more affordable alternative if an affordable alternative is available.

This bill received first consideration on Tuesday, June 12.

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=2211&pn=3665>

- HB 2212, PN 3666 (Heffley) - Amends the Human Services Code, in public assistance, providing for financial disclosures for pharmacy services by prohibiting any pharmacy benefits manager that contracts with a medical assistance managed care organization under contract with the department from utilizing any confidentiality provisions which would in effect prohibit disclosure of information to the medical assistance managed care organization and the department upon its request. **This bill received first consideration on Tuesday, June 12.**

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- HB 2226, PN 3610 (Rapp) - Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses), in minors, further providing for the offense of sale of tobacco and for the offense of use of tobacco in schools, including area vocational schools, charter schools, and intermediate units. The bill establishes that nicotine product or nicotine delivery product is included in reference to tobacco. **This bill received second consideration on Monday, June 11 and third consideration and final passage on Tuesday, June 12.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=H&billTyp=B&billNbr=2226&pn=3610>

- HB 2268, PN 3611 (Mullery) - Amends Title 18 (Crimes & Offense), in minors, expanding the offense of use of tobacco in schools, including area vocational schools, charter schools, and intermediate units. The bill adds nicotine delivery product or nicotine product to the offense of use of tobacco. **This bill received second consideration on Monday, June 11 and third consideration and final passage on Tuesday, June 12.**

Bill Text:

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- HB 2477, PN 3658 (Watson) - Amends the Medical Marijuana Act, in academic clinical research centers, further providing for chapter heading, providing for legislative findings and declaration of policy, further providing for definitions, providing for academic clinical research centers, further providing for clinical registrants and for research study and providing for temporary regulations. The stated intent of the bill is to create a mechanism whereby Commonwealth medical schools and hospitals may provide advice to grower/ processors and dispensaries in the areas of patient health and safety, medical applications and dispensing and management of controlled substances, among other areas. It is the further intent to create a mechanism whereby the Commonwealth may encourage research associated with medical marijuana. It is the policy of the Commonwealth to allow, in addition to the 25 grower/processors and 50 dispensaries initially authorized under section 616, the operation of additional grower/processors and dispensaries which will be approved by the department as clinical registrants. A clinical registrant is a grower/processor and a dispensary which has a contractual relationship with a medical school that operates or partners with a hospital to provide

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- SB 978, PN 1860 (Baker) - Act providing for the disposal of hospice or home health care patient medication. **This bill received first consideration on Tuesday, June 12.**

Bill Text:

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- SB 1091, PN 1576 (Martin) - Amends Title 75 (Vehicles), in registration of vehicles, establishing the Pediatric Cancer Research Fund and providing that within one year of the effective date of the bill, the Department of Transportation will provide for the ability of a person renewing a driver's license or identification card electronically to make a \$5 contribution to the fund. Lays out guidelines for use of funds collected. **This bill received first consideration on Wednesday, June 13.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=S&billTyp=B&billNbr=1091&pn=1576>

Senate

- SB 655, PN 1850 (Yaw) - Amends the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device and Cosmetic Act further providing for promulgation of regulations. Providing for PA Safe and Effective Opioid Prescribing Advisory Council and further providing for promulgation of regulations. **This bill received second consideration on Monday, June 11 and third consideration and final passage on Tuesday, June 12.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=S&billTyp=B&billNbr=0655&pn=1850>

- SB 780, PN 1852 (Vogel) - Act relating to telemedicine; authorizing the regulation of telemedicine by professional licensing boards; and providing for insurance coverage of telemedicine. **This bill received second consideration on Monday, June 11 and third consideration and final passage on Wednesday, June 13.**

Bill Text:

<http://www.legis.state.pa.us/CFDOCS/Legis/PN/Public/btCheck.cfm?txtType=HTM&sessYr=2017&sessInd=0&billBody=S&billTyp=B&billNbr=0780&pn=1852>

- SB 1019, PN 1876 (Vulakovich) - Amends Title 35 (Health & Safety), est. Gov. Office of Homeland Sec., for temp. housing, debris removal, disaster loans, assistance, approp. of unused Commonwealth funds, est. Disaster Emergency Fund, for powers & duties of PEMA. **This bill received first consideration on Wednesday, June 13.**

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- SB 1169, PN 1749 (Killion) - Amends the Medical Practice Act further providing for genetic counselor. The bill adds that a genetic counselor may provide genetic counseling to clients by ordering genetic laboratory tests and other diagnostic studies as appropriate for the genetic assessment. **This bill received first consideration on Tuesday, June 12.**

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- HB 152, PN 3556 (M. Quinn) - Amends The Insurance Company Law, in life insurance, further providing for surplus or safety fund and providing for contact information and for life policy locator service; and, in suitability of annuity transactions, further providing for definitions, for applicability and scope of article and for duties of insurers and insurance producers, providing for insurance producer training, further providing for mitigation of responsibility and for recordkeeping and providing for regulations. The intent is to align the bill in accordance with the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) model act and repeal a surplus cap imposed on domestic mutual life insurance companies. **This bill received third consideration and final passage on Wednesday, June 13.**

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- HB 1659, PN 3461 (Tobash) - Amends the Human Services Code, in general powers and duties, providing for work requirements for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) by establishing the department may not apply for, accept, or renew a waiver of requirements established under section 5 of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 without prior approval of the General Assembly and requiring adult recipients to comply with and submit proof of compliance with various work requirements as a condition of participation and continuing eligibility for food assistance. The work requirements shall only apply to Able-Bodied Adults without Dependents (ABAWDs). Requires the Department of Human Services to provide notice to adult recipients on the date of annual renewal that eligibility will be terminated if the recipient fails to meet the requirements and locations where assistance to meet the requirements is available. Also requires the department to provide a form notice to county assistance offices that eligibility for SNAP shall be terminated three months after the notice if the recipient fails to comply with the work, community service or education requirements. **This bill**

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- HB 1800, PN 3681 (Nelson) - Amends Title 40 (Insurance), in regulation of insurers and related persons generally, providing for medication synchronization. The bill establishes no individual or group health insurance plan providing prescription drug coverage shall deny coverage for the dispensing of a medication that is dispensed by a network pharmacy on the basis that the dispensing is for a partial supply if the prescriber or pharmacist determines the fill or refill to be in the best interest of the patient and the patient requests or agrees to a partial supply for the purpose of medication synchronization. **This bill received first consideration on Wednesday, June 13.**

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- HB 2050, PN 3034 (Turzai) - Amends Title 18 (Crimes and Offenses), in abortion, defining "Down syndrome" and further providing for medical consultation and judgment by stipulating that no abortion shall be deemed necessary if sought exclusively for either or both of the following reasons: (1) The sex of the unborn child; and (2) A prenatal diagnosis of, or belief that the unborn child has, Down syndrome. **This bill received first consideration on Wednesday, June 13.**

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- HB 2138, PN 3328 (Dowling) - Amends the Human Services Code, in public assistance, providing for work requirements. The bill requires the secretary to apply to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for a demonstration program under section 1115 of the Social Security Act in order to institute a work requirement for a Medicaid enrollee who meets certain criteria. **This bill received first consideration on Tuesday, June 12 and second consideration on Wednesday, June 13.**

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