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States Currently in Session as of 5/31/2017

California, Delaware, Illinois, Massachusetts, Maine, Michigan, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Wisconsin.

Passed Legislation

Arkansas

HB1813, introduced 3/2/2017

Rabies Treatment of Injured Workers

- Allows for the treatment of rabies under workers' compensation law

Last Action: 3/28/2017 – Passed. Notification that HB1813 is now Act 658

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/AR/bill/HB1813/2017>

SB78, introduced 1/5/2017

Examination of Interstate Medical Licensure

- Requires the state medical board to analyze the interstate medical licensure compact to determine whether Arkansas should participate.

Last Action: 3/09/2017 – Passed. Notification that SB78 is now Act 454

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/AR/bill/SB78/2017>

Georgia

SB103, introduced 1/3/2017

Licensure and Regulation of Pharmacy Benefit Managers

- An Act to amend Chapter 64 of Title 33 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated
- Regulation and licensure of pharmacy benefits managers, so as to authorize the Commissioner of Insurance to promulgate certain rules and regulations and to examine and investigate certain matters with regard to pharmacy benefits managers
- Prohibits pharmacy benefits managers from requiring the use of mail-order pharmacies under certain conditions.

Last Action: 4/03/2017 – Enrolled. Senate Sent to Governor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/GA/bill/SB103/2017>

SB109, introduced 2/1/2017

Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact

- Provides for the enactment of the “Recognition of Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact” to establish the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice.

Last Action: 5/8/2017 – Passed. Act 175. 7/1/2017 Effective

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Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/GA/bill/SB109/2017>

Hawaii

HB235, introduced 1/19/2017

Acupuncture Treatment Benefits for Motor Vehicle Insurance

- Specifies that the authorized benefit for acupuncture treatments allowed under personal injury protection benefits provided through motor vehicle insurance shall be capped at thirty visits and tied to the charges, and any subsequent increases in charges, permissible under the workers' compensation supplemental medical fee schedule.
- Clarifies that the combined total of naturopathic and chiropractic treatments allowed under personal injury protection benefits provided through motor vehicle insurance may not exceed thirty visits.
- Effective 7/1/2112.

Last Action: 5/3/2017 - Passed – Transmitted to Governor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/HB235/2017>

HB1444, introduced 1/25/2017

Pharmacy Benefit Managers

- Requires pharmacy benefit managers to register with the insurance commissioner

Last Action: 5/3/2017 - Passed – Transmitted to Governor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/HB1444/2017>

SB859, introduced 1/25/2017

Allows for Chaperone during Independent Medical Exam

- Allows an employee to have a chaperone present during the medical examination relating to a work injury under workers' compensation and, with the approval of the examining physician or surgeon, to record the medical examination.
- Specifies that a chaperone shall not obstruct medical exams.

Last Action: 5/4/2017 - Passed – Enrolled to Governor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/SB859/2017>

Iowa

HF518, introduced 3/3/2017

Disallowed Compensation

- Compensation will be disallowed if the employer shows that at the time of injury, or immediately following, the employee had positive test results for alcohol, narcotics, depressants, stimulants or other substances not prescribed to them, or not used as prescribed.
- The burden of proof is on the employee to overcome the presumption.

Last Action: 3/03/2017 – Passed. Signed by Governor. H.J.825

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IA/bill/HF518/2017>

Maryland

HB154, introduced 1/18/2017

Pharmacy Benefit Managers

- Alters the date on which the registration of a Pharmacy Benefits Manager expires unless the registration is renewed.

Last Action: 4/11/2017 – Passed. Approved by the Governor – Chapter 113

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MD/bill/HB154/2017>

HB983, introduced 2/8/2017

Tele-health Definitions

- Updates tele-health definition to include counseling for substance use disorders.

Last Action: 5/25/2017 - Passed – Approved by the Governor – Chapter 765

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MD/bill/HB983/2017>

HB1484, introduced 2/1/2017

Timely Billing

- Requiring a provider to submit to an employer or an employer's insurer, within a specified period of time, a specified bill for specified medical services or treatment to a covered employee under a under a specified provision of law; and prohibiting the employer or the employer's insurer from being

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required to pay a bill submitted after a specified period of time except under specified circumstances.

Last Action: 3/31/2017 – Enrolled. Returned Passed

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MD/bill/HB1484/2017>

SB41 introduced 9/19/2016

Nurse Multistate Licensure Compact

- Changes the name of the Nurse Multistate Licensure Compact to the Nurse Licensure Compact
- Alters the findings of the party states to the Compact
- Provides that a multistate license to practice specified types of nursing issued by a home state to a resident in that state will be recognized by each party state for a specified purpose
- Provides that the party states create and establish a joint public entity known as the Interstate Commission of Nurse Licensure Compact Administrators

Last Action: 5/25/2017 - Passed – Approved by the Governor – Chapter 669

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MD/bill/SB41/2017>

Mississippi

HB488, introduced 1/13/2017

Nurse Licensure Compact

- Enacts the Nurse Licensure Compact

Last Action: 3/20/2017 – Approved by Governor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MS/bill/HB488/2017>

Missouri

SB66, introduced 12/1/2016

Disability Benefits

- Temporary total disability or temporary partial disability benefits will continue until the employee reaches maximum medical improvement, unless such benefits are terminated by the employee's return to work or are terminated for other reason's specified in existing law.
- An injured employee who has reached maximum medical improvement but is unable to return to work

will receive temporary total disability benefits for up to 400 weeks at the weekly rate of compensation under the law for which compensation is being made

Last Action: 5/22/2017 - Passed – Delivered to Governor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MO/bill/SB66/2017>

Montana

SB44, introduced 8/30/2016

Air Ambulance

- If a covered person receives services from a non-Montana Hospital controlled out-of-network air ambulance service for an emergency, an insurer or health plan shall assume the covered person's responsibility if any.
- Insurer or health plan s that assume responsibility shall notify the air ambulance service of the assumption no later than the date the insurers or health plan issues payment.
- If an air ambulance service receives notice of assumption the air ambulance service may not bill, collect, or attempt collection from the covered person. They may not report to a consumer reporting agency that the covered person is delinquent. They may not obtain a lien on the covered person's property.
- An insurer or health plan is responsible for payment or denial within 30 days after receipt of a proof of loss.
- The insurer or health plan is to make payment
- Effective upon passage

Last Action: 4/25/2017 - Passed – (S) Singed By Governor – Chapter Number Assigned

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MT/bill/SB44/2017>

SB166, introduced 8/9/2016

Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact

- Adopts the enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact

Last Action: 5/30/2017 - Passed – Chapter Number Assigned

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MT/bill/SB166/2017>

Nebraska

LB481, introduced 1/17/2017

Drug Product Selection

- Allows for drug product selection for interchangeable biological products.

Last Action: 5/9/2017 - Passed –Approved by Governor on May 9, 2017

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NE/bill/LB481/2017>

Nevada

AB458, introduced 2/29/2017

Independent Medical Exam

- Provides that an injured employee may obtain an IME when:
 - A dispute arises from a determination issued by the insurer regarding the approval of care and/or the direction of a treatment plan;
 - Within 30 days after an injured employee receives any report generated pursuant to a medical examination requested by the insurer;
 - At any time by leave of a hearing officer or appeals officer after the denial of any therapy or treatment.
 - An injured employee is entitled to an IME when the claim is open, when the closure of a claim is being disputed and when a hearing or appeal is pending;
- An injured employee is entitled to only 1 IME per calendar year
- An IME must not involve treatment and must be conducted by a physician or chiropractor selected by the injured employee from the Nevada panel of physicians and chiropractors
- The insurer shall pay the cost of any IME
- When a written assessment is requested or where a vocational rehabilitation plan is required, a vocational rehabilitation counselor must be appointed as follows:
 - The insurer and the injured employee must agree on the selection of a vocational rehabilitation counselor
 - Making, acceptance or rejection of an offer of temporary, light-duty employment does not affect the eligibility of the employee to receive vocational

rehabilitation services and does not exempt the employer from complying with the law surrounding appointment of a vocational rehabilitation counselor.

Last Action: 5/30/2017 - Passed – Approved by the Governor. Chapter 216

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NV/bill/AB458/2017>

North Dakota

1086, introduced 1/3/2017

Discontinuation of Benefits

- Prior to the expiration of a period of disability the organization shall send a notice to the employee of the intent to discontinue benefits. This notice is to include the employee's right to respond and the procedure for filing challenge to the action.
- If receipt of social security benefits results in overpayment of disability benefits the injured employee must return the overpayment.
- No compensation will be paid to an injured employee who refuses to reasonably participate.
- An organization can, at any time, require an injured employee to have an independent medical examination by a doctor designated or approved by the organization.
- An organization may implement a pilot program(s) to allow the organization to assess alternative methods of providing rehabilitation services.
- An injured employee may not change doctors while under treatment of after being released, without prior written authorization from the organization.

Last Action: 3/03/2017 - Passed. Signed by Governor 03/02

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/1086/2017>

1096, introduced 1/3/2017

Nurse Licensure Compact

- Enacts the Nurse Licensure Compact

Last Action: 4/12/2017 – Enrolled. Signed by Speaker

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/1096/2017>

1156, introduced 1/3/2017

Medical Marijuana

- Prohibits the payment of Workers' Compensation benefits for Medical Marijuana

Last Action: 4/12/2017 – Passed. Signed by Governor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/1156/2017>

Oregon

HB2388, introduced 1/9/2017

Registration of Pharmacy Benefit Managers

- Allows Department of Consumer and Business Services to deny, revoke or suspend registration of pharmacy benefit manager if pharmacy benefit manager engages in specified conduct if pharmacy benefit manager fails to comply with applicable statutes, rules or order.
- Authorizes department to adopt fee structure for registration.
- Protects from disclosure documents obtained by department during denial, suspension or revocation of pharmacy benefit manager registration.
- Effective on Passage.

Last Action: 5/30/2017 - Passed – Governor signed – Chapter 73, (2017 Laws): Effective date May 17, 2017

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/OR/bill/HB2388/2017>

South Carolina

3349, introduced 12/15/2016

Nurse Licensure Compact

- Enacts Nurse Licensure Compact

Last Action: 5/11/2017 - Passed. Signed by Governor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/SC/bill/H3349/2017>

Tennessee

HB0664, introduced 2/8/2017

Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

- Enacts the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

Last Action: 5/22/2017 - Passed – Signed by Governor. Effective Date(s) 1/1/2019. Pub. Ch. 365

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/TN/bill/HB0664/2017>

Utah

SB48, introduced 12/20/2016

Nurse Licensure Compact

- Enacts the Nurse Licensure Compact

Last Action: 3/15/2017 – Passed. Signed by Governor, in Lieutenant Governor's office for filing.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/UT/bill/SB0048/2017>

SB170, introduced 2/2/2017

Workers' Compensation Workgroup

- Creates a workers' compensation workgroup to review the following items and make a report to the legislature:
 - The award of attorney fees in workers' compensation cases, including a draft rule to propose to the Utah Supreme Court
 - Medical examinations by insurance companies
 - A general guideline for claims adjusters in handling claims
 - Medical panel utilization and consistency
 - Change in dependent compensation amounts for temporary partial disability
 - Temporary total disability, permanent partial disability, and permanent total disability
 - Improving injured workers' accessibility to the Division of Industrial Accidents
 - The feasibility of the Division of Industrial Accidents making the initial contact with an injured worker rather than relying on the injured worker to make the initial contact
 - The prevalence of and possible penalties for bad faith denials of workers' compensation claims by insurance carriers Additional issue that the workgroup determines is an important issue related to workers' compensation; and decides to review. -The workgroup shall present a final report to the Business and Labor Interim Committee before November 30, 2017. -Bill becomes effective May 8, 2017

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Last Action: 3/15/2017 – Passed. Signed by Governor, in Lieutenant Governor’s office for filing.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/UT/bill/SB0048/2017>

Virginia

HB1571, introduced 12/20/2016

Definition Update/Fee Schedule

- Adds definition of Medical service provided for the treatment of a serious burn to include any professional service rendered during the dates of service of the admission or transfer to a burn center.
- Adds definition of medical service provided for the treatment of a traumatic injury to include any professional service rendered during the dates of service of admission or transfer to a Level I or Level II trauma center.
- Changes the charge outlier threshold for inpatient hospital services from 150% to 300% of the maximum fee for the service.
- Authorizes the workers’ compensation commission to adjust the outlier threshold on a biannual basis.
- The Regulatory Advisory Panel will meet on July 1, 2018 to review and make recommendations relating to pharmacy and DME costs not in the fee schedule.
- The Commission will adopt regulations establishing a fee schedule for medical services to become effective on January 1, 2018

Last Action: 3/13/2017 – Passed. Governor: Acts of Assembly chapter text (CHAP0478)

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/VA/bill/HB1571/2017>

Washington

HB1337, introduced 1/18/2017

Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

- Enacts the interstate Medical Licensure Compact

Last Action: 5/5/2017 - Passed – Governor signed. Chapter 195, 2017 Laws. Effective date 7/23/2017

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/WA/bill/HB1337/2017>

SB5436, introduced 1/24/2017

Tele-Medicine

- Clarifies that tele-medicine locations are allowable at any location determined by the individual receiving the services.

Last Action: 5/5/2017 - Passed – Governor Signed. Chaptered 219, 2017 Laws. Effective date 1/1/2018

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/WA/bill/SB5436/2017>

West Virginia

HB2522, introduced 2/16/2017

Interstate Licensure Compact

- Permits West Virginia to enter into an interstate licensure compact for registered nurses and practical nurses

Last Action: 4/9/2017 – Passed. To Governor 4/10/2016 – Senate Journal

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/WV/bill/HB2522/2017>

Failed/Changed Legislation

Arkansas

HB1952, introduced 3/6/2017

Medical Costs

Last Action: 5/1/2016 – Failed – Sine Die adjournment

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/AR/bill/HB1952/2017>

SB652, introduced 3/6/2017

Employers Right to Determine Medical Provider

Last Action: 5/1/2016 – Failed – Sine Die adjournment

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/AR/bill/SB652/2017>

SB675, introduced 3/6/2017

Payment and Reimbursement Procedures

Last Action: 5/1/2016 – Failed – Sine Die adjournment

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/AR/bill/SB675/2017>

Florida

H7085, introduced 3/21/2017

Statewide Schedules of Maximum Reimbursement Allowances

Last Action: 5/5/2017 - Introduced – Indefinitely postponed and withdrawn from consideration

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/FL/bill/H7085/2017>

S1582, introduced 3/3/2017

Appropriations

Last Action: 5/5/2017 - Introduced – Substituted CS/HB 7085, Laid on Table

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/FL/bill/S1582/2017>

Iowa

SF435, introduced 3/3/2017

Employee Intoxication Resulting in Injury

Last Action: 3/27/2017 - Withdrawn – Withdrawn S.J. 784

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IA/bill/SF435/2017>

Kentucky

HB296, introduced 2/10/2017

Medical Benefit Payment

Last Action: 2/10/2017 – Adjourned Sine Die

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/KY/bill/HB296/2017>

Maine

LD609, introduced 2/16/2017

Managed Care Organizations

Last Action: 3/7/2017 – Failed – Pursuant to Joint Rule 310.3 Placed in Legislative Files (Dead)

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/ME/bill/LD609/2017>

Mississippi

HB308, introduced 1/3/2017

Medical Benefits Waiting Period

Last Action: 1/31/2017 – Failed – Died in Committee

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MS/bill/HB308/2017>

SB2196, introduced 1/13/2017

Nurse Licensure Compact

Last Action: 1/31/2017 – Failed – Died in Committee

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MS/bill/SB2196/2017>

Missouri

SB290, introduced 1/11/2017

Injured Employees with a Positive test for non-prescribed controlled drug

Last Action: 5/30/2017 - Failed – Adjourned Sine Die

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MO/bill/SB290/2017>

Montana

HB229, introduced 12/1/2016

Injured Worker Chooses Provider

Last Action: 3/1/2017 – Failed – Missed Deadline for General Bill Transmittal

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MT/bill/HB229/2017>

HB358, introduced 12/1/2016

Claimant Failure to Sign Medical Release

Last Action: 5/4/2017 - Failed – (H) Vetoed by Governor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MT/bill/HB358/2017>

Nebraska

LB61, introduced 1/10/2017

Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

Last Action: 3/8/2017 – Placed on General File

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NE/bill/LB61/2017>

LB319, introduced 1/12/2017

Confidentiality and Access to certain Injury Reports under the Workers' Act

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Last Action: 6/1/2017 – Adjourned Sine Die

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NE/bill/LB319/2017>

LB342, introduced 1/12/2017

Nurse Licensure Compact

Last Action: 6/1/2017 - Failed – Adjourned Sine Die

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NE/bill/LB342/2017>

New Mexico

SB77, introduced 1/17/2017

Pharmacy Benefit Managers

Last Action: 3/1/2017 – Adjourned Sine Die

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NM/bill/SB77/2017>

Nevada

AB455, introduced 3/27/2017

Transportation Network Companies

Last Action: 5/26/2017 – Returned to Assembly with Governor's Veto

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NV/bill/AB445/2017>

Oklahoma

HB1462, introduced 2/6/2017

Commission Power to Decide Issues of Fact

Last Action: 5/26/2017 - Failed – Died in Conference

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/OK/bill/HB1462/2017>

HB1921, introduced 2/6/2017

Amends the Administrative Workers' Compensation Act

Last Action: 5/26/2017 - Failed – Adjourned Sine Die

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/OK/bill/HB1921/2017>

Washington

SB5221, introduced 1/17/2017

Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

Last Action: 3/21/2017 – Failed – Sent to Senate Rules "X" file.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/WA/bill/SB5221/2017>

SB5457, introduced 1/25/2017

Telemedicine and Store and Forward Technology

Last Action: 3/21/2017 – Failed – Sent to Senate Rules "X" file.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/WA/bill/SB5457/2017>

SB5744, introduced 2/7/2017

Prescription Coverage

Last Action: 3/17/2017 – Failed – Sent to Senate Rules "X" file.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/WA/bill/SB5744/2017>

Active Proposed Legislation

California

AB29, introduced 12/5/2016

Pharmacy Benefit Managers

- Requires Pharmacy Benefit Managers to be licensed by the department.
- Requires Pharmacy Benefit Managers to report, on a quarterly basis its compliance with standards.
- Requires the Department to develop the application forms and standards for eligibility for a pharmacy benefit manager license with associated fee.
- Provides the department with the authority to enforce the provisions of the act, and make violation of provisions a crime.

Last Action: 5/26/2017 - Introduced – In Committee. Held under submission.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/CA/bill/AB29/2017>

AB61, introduced 12/7/2016

Streamline Work comp for Small Business

- Simply states that it is the express intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would streamline and regulate the workers' compensation system to improve the process for the benefit of small businesses and the employees of the State of

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California

Last Action: 5/24/2017 - Introduced – In Senate. Referred to Com. On I., B. & F.I.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/CA/bill/AB61/2017>

AB315, introduced 2/6/2017

Pharmacy Benefit Managers

- Requires Pharmacy Benefit Managers to be licensed by the California State Board of Pharmacy
- Pharmacy Benefit Managers are required to disclose to a purchaser any conflict of interest that would interfere with the discharge of their duties.
- Pharmacy Benefit Managers are to periodically disclose to a purchaser drug acquisition costs, rebates received from manufacturers, and rates negotiated with pharmacies.

Last Action: 6/1/2017 - Introduced – Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/CA/bill/AB315/2017>

SB 489, introduced 2/16/2017

Payment for Emergency Treatment Services

- Requires that requests for payment of emergency treatment services be submitted be received by the employer or its insurer or claims administrator within 180 days of the date of service

Last Action: 5/22/2017 - Introduced – Referred to Com. On INS.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/CA/bill/SB489/2017>

SB 617, introduced 2/17/2017

Issuance of Outreach Report to Physicians Who Treat Injured Workers

- Requires the administrative director to issue outreach reports to physicians who treated 30 or more injured workers in the 12 months prior to July 1 of the previous year.
- Reports are to begin being distributed on or before January 1, 2020.
- Requires outreach reports to contain information about the number of injured workers treated by

the physician and the physicians' percentile rank in comparison to peers, and the number of utilization review decisions that resulted in a modification or denial of a request for authorization of medical treatment and the physician's percentile rank in comparison to peers.

- Bill exempts the individually identifiable information in these reports from the California Public Records Act.
- Outreach reports will be privileged and exempt the outreach reports from subpoena in a civil proceeding, unless specified conditions are met.

Last Action: 6/01/2017 - Introduced – In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/CA/bill/SB617/2017>

Colorado

HB1229, introduced 3/6/2017

Mental Impairment Compensation

- Mental impairment must be proven by the testimony of a licensed psychiatrist or psychologist

Last Action: 5/2/2017 - Enrolled – Sent to Governor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/CO/bill/HB1229/2017>

Connecticut

SB00376, introduced 1/19/2017

Augments Fee Schedule for Radiology.

- Workers' Compensation Commission is to augment the fee schedule for radiology by fifteen percent by July 1, 2017.

Last Action: 5/17/2017 - Introduced – Referred by Senate to Committee on Appropriations

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/SB00376/2017>

HB6666, introduced 1/24/2017

Action Against Employer, Insurer, or Third-Party

- Allows individuals seeking compensation to bring actions against employer, insurer, or third-party administrator that has unreasonably contested liability or delayed payments or adjustments of such compensation.

Last Action: 5/11/2017 - Introduced – Referred by House to Committee on Appropriations

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/CT/bill/HB06666/2017>

Illinois

HB0412, introduced 1/12/2017

Workers' Compensation Transparency Task Force

- Creates the Workers' Compensation Transparency Task Force.
- Provides that the Task Force shall collect and review information and data on the effects of the changes in workers' compensation law enacted by the General Assembly and that the purpose of the collection and review of information is to make as transparent as possible all information relating to the medical treatment, legal representation, and benefits paid to injured workers in this State.
- Repeals the language creating the Task Force on January 1, 2022.
- Repeals certain requirements relating to reports and promulgation of rules concerning workers' compensation insurance by the Department of Insurance on January 1, 2022.
- Effective immediately.

Last Action: 3/31/2017 - Introduced – Rule 19(a) Re-referred to Rules Committee

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IL/bill/HB0412/2017>

SB0070, introduced 1/11/2017

Network Adequacy and Transparency Act

- Creates the Network Adequacy and Transparency Act.
- Provides that administrators and insurers, prior to going to market, must file with the Department of Insurance for review and approval a description of the services to be offered through a network plan, with certain criteria included in the description.
- Provides that the network plan shall demonstrate to the Department, prior to approval, a minimum ratio of full-time equivalent providers to plan beneficiaries and maximum travel and distance standards for plan beneficiaries, which shall be established annually by

the Department based upon specified sources.

- Provides that the Department shall conduct quarterly audits of network plans to verify compliance with network adequacy standards.
- Provides that a network plan shall provide for continuity of care for its beneficiaries under certain circumstances and according to certain requirements.
- Provides that a network plan shall post electronically a current and accurate provider directory and make available in print, upon request, a provider directory subject to certain specifications.
- Provides that the Department is granted specific authority to issue a cease and desist order against, fine, or otherwise penalize any insurer or administrator for violations of any provision of the Act.
- Effective January 1, 2018.

Last Action: 5/5/2017 - Introduced – Rule 3-9(a) / Re-referred to Assignments

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IL/bill/SB0070/2017>

SB0677, introduced 1/26/2017

Nurse Practice Act

- Amends the Nurse Practice Act
- Ensures the Compact does not supersede existing state labor law.

Last Action: 5/31/2017 - Introduced – Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IL/bill/SB0677/2017>

HB2525, introduced 2/8/2017

Workers' Compensation Rates

- Provides that a rate is excessive if it is likely to produce a long run profit that is unreasonably high for the insurance provided, or if expenses are unreasonably high in relation to the services rendered.
- Amends the Workers' Compensation Act so that accidental injuries sustained while traveling to or from work do not arise out of and in the course off employment.

Last Action: 5/31/2017 - Enrolled – Passed Both Houses

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IL/bill/HB2525/2017>

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SB1971, introduced 2/10/2017

Pharmacy

- Provides regulation for the creation of a list of drugs used to set the maximum allowable cost on which reimbursement to a pharmacy or pharmacist may be based.
- Provides that before a pharmacy benefits manager places or continues a particular drug on a maximum allowable cost list, the drug shall meet specified requirements.
- Provides for the duties of a pharmacy benefits manager in his or her use of a maximum allowable cost list.
- Provides for a reasonable administrative appeal procedure to allow pharmacies to challenge maximum allowable costs and reimbursements made under a maximum allowable cost for a specific drug.
- Provides that a pharmacy benefits manager shall not reimburse a pharmacy or pharmacist in this State in an amount less than the amount that the pharmacy benefits manager reimburses a pharmacy benefits manager affiliate for providing the same pharmacist services.
- Provides that a pharmacy or pharmacist may decline to provide pharmacist services to a patient or pharmacy benefits manager if, as a result of a maximum allowable cost list, a pharmacy or pharmacist is to be paid less than the pharmacy acquisition cost of the pharmacy providing pharmacist services.
- Provides that a violation of the provisions concerning maximum allowable cost lists and pharmacy benefits managers is a deceptive trade practice.
- Amends the Uniform Deceptive Trade Practices Act to make a conforming change.

Last Action: 4/18/2017 - Introduced – Rule 3-9(a) / Re-referred to Assignments

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IL/bill/SB1971/2017>

Minnesota

SF1293, introduced 2/22/2017

Payments for Inpatient Services

- For patients discharged on or after October 1, 2017,

payments for inpatient services must be calculated according to the PC-Pricer program posted on the department's website.

- The current version of the pricer program is to be published by October 1 each year.
- The MS-DRG grouper software that corresponds to the applicable version of the Pricer program must be used to determine payment under this subdivision
- Becomes effective the day following final enactment

Last Action: 5/8/2017 - Introduced – Second Reading

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MN/bill/SF1293/2017>

New Hampshire

H455, introduced 1/12/2017

Pharmacy Benefit Managers Credentialing

- Pharmacy Benefit Managers do not require accreditation, credentialing, or licensing of providers other than by the New Hampshire Pharmacy Board.

Last Action: 5/18/2017 - Engrossed – Ought to Pass with Amendment 2017-1703s, Motion Adopted, Voice vote; OT3rds; 5/18/2017; Senate Journal 17

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB455/2017>

New York

AB1396, introduced 1/12/2017

Allows treatment of Injured Workers by an Occupational Therapy Assistant

- Allows treatment of injured workers by an occupational therapy assistant.

Last Action: 5/30/2017 - Engrossed – amend and recommit to labor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A01396/2017>

Texas

HB3494, introduced 3/8/2017

Authorizes Processing Demonstration Program

- Authorizes payment for medical services and medical billing real-time processing demonstration program.

- Program must include:
 - a. Secure single platform, web-based.
 - b. The office will work with the workers' compensation research and evaluation group to identify and adopt measures for evaluation the program.
 - c. The evaluation period ends June 30, 2020

Last Action: 5/8/2017 - Introduced – Committee report sent to Calendars

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/TX/bill/HB3494/2017>

Legislation with No Movement - 30 days or more

California

AB221, introduced 3/27/2017

Small Business Work Com

Last Action: 3/27/2017 – Introduced – Re-referred to Com. On INS.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/CA/bill/AB61/2017>

AB1295, introduced 2/17/2017

Overtaken denial of treatment by IME

Last Action: 4/19/2017 - Introduced – In Committee: Set, first hearing. Canceled at the request of the author.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/CA/bill/AB1295/2017>

Delaware

SB59, introduced 4/5/2017

Replaces the current Multistate Nurse Licensure Compact

Last Action: 4/5/2017 - Introduced – Introduced and Assigned to Sunset Committee in Senate

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/DE/bill/SB59/2017>

Georgia

SB166, introduced 2/14/2017

Nurse Licensure Compact

Last Action: 3/3/2017 – Engrossed – House Second Readers

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/GA/bill/SB166/2017>

HB637, introduced 3/28/2017

Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

Last Action: 3/30/2017 - Introduced – House First Readers

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/GA/bill/HB637/2017>

Hawaii

HB705, introduced 1/25/2017

Workers' Compensation Prescribed Drugs Costs

Last Action: 1/25/2017 – Introduced – Referred to LAB, FIN, referral sheet 3

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/HB705/2017>

HB706, introduced 1/31/2017

Employee Rights during Exam

Last Action: 1/31/2017 – Introduced – Referred to LAB, CPC, FIN, referral sheet 8

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/HB706/2017>

HB977, introduced 1/31/2017

Employee Rights during Exam

Last Action: 1/31/2017 – Introduced – Referred to LAB, CPC, FIN, referral sheet 8

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/HB977/2017>

HB978, introduced 2/2/2017

Permits Injured Employee to Designate a Chaperone During Exam

Last Action: 2/2/2017 – Introduced – Passed Second Reading as amended in HD1 and referred to the committee(s) on CPC with none voting aye with reservations; non-voting no (0) and representative(s) Inq excused(1).

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/HB978/2017>

HB979, introduced 1/27/2017

Workers' Compensation Delays and Denials

Last Action: 1/27/2017 – Introduced - Referred to LAB, CPC, FIN,

referral sheet 4

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/HB979/2017>

HB980, introduced 1/31/2017

Independent Medical Exam

Last Action: 1/31/2017 – Introduced - Referred to LAB, CPC, JUD, FIN, referral sheet 8

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/HB980/2017>

HB1181, introduced 1/24/2017

Opioids

Last Action: 3/22/2017 - Engrossed – Report Adopted. Passed Second Reading, as amended (SD!) and referred to JDL/WAM.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/HB1181/2017>

HB1592, introduced 1/30/2017

Physician Selection

Last Action: 1/30/2017 – Introduced - Referred to LAB, CPC, FIN, referral sheet 6

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/HB1592/2017>

SB330, introduced 1/23/2017

Prescription Drugs Cost Increases

Last Action: 1/23/2017 – Introduced - Referred to JDL/CPH, WAM.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/SB330/2017>

SB338, introduced 3/7/2017

Prescription Drugs Cost Increases

Last Action: 3/7/2017 – Engrossed - Referred to JDL/CPH, WAM

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/SB338/2017>

SB399, introduced 3/7/2017

Acupuncture Treatments for Motor Vehicle Insurance

Last Action: 3/7/2017 – Engrossed - Referred to CPC/HLT, FIN, referral sheet 26

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/SB399/2017>

SB413, introduced 2/7/2017

Medical Charges

Last Action: 2/7/2017 – Introduced - The committee on JDL deferred the measure.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/SB413/2017>

SB731, introduced 1/23/2017

Independent Medical Examination

Last Action: 1/23/2017 – Introduced - Referred to CPH, JDL

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/SB731/2017>

SB857, introduced 1/25/2017

Presumption of Compensability

Last Action: 3/24/2017 - Introduced – Report Adopted. Referred to the committee on FIN as amended in HD 2 with none voting aye with reservations; Representative Say voting no (1) and Representative Aquino, DeCoite, Har, Ichiyama, C. Lee, Thielen excused (6)

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/SB857/2017>

SB983, introduced 2/16/2017

Workers' Compensation Prescription Drugs

Last Action: 2/16/2017 – Introduced - Report adopted; Passed Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and referred to JDL.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/SB983/2017>

SB1116, introduced 1/27/2017

Independent Medical Exams

Last Action: 1/29/2017 – Introduced - Referred to JDL/CPH, WAM

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/SB1116/2017>

SB1158, introduced 2/16/2017

Pharmacy Benefit Managers

Last Action: 2/16/2017 – Introduced - Report Adopted; Passed Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and referred to WAM.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/HI/bill/SB1158/2017>

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SB1236, introduced 1/25/2017

Audit of Closed Claims in the Private Employment Sector and State Employers

Last Action: 3/21/2017 - Engrossed – Passed Second Reading as amended in HD1 and referred to the committee on FIN with none voting aye with reservations; none voting no (0) and Representative Ichiyama excused (1)

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IL/bill/SB1236/2017>

Illinois

SB0012, introduced 3/08/2017

Amends Freedom of Information Act to Exempt Workers' Compensation

Last Action: 3/08/2017 – Introduced – Senate Floor Amendment No. 3 Pursuant to Senate Rule 3-8(b-1), this Amendment will remain in the Committee of Assignments.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IL/bill/SB0012/2017>

SB1309, introduced 3/17/2017

Drug Formulary

Last Action: 3/17/2017 – Introduced – Rule 3-9(a)/Re-referred to Assignments

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IL/bill/SB1309/2017>

SB1660, introduced 2/9/2017

Reimbursement for Drugs filled outside of a licensed Pharmacy

Last Action: 5/5/2017 – Introduced – Rule 3-9(a)/Re-referred to Assignments

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IL/bill/SB1660/2017>

HB2687, introduced 2/8/2017

Nurse Licensure Compact

Last Action: 3/31/2017 – Introduced – Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IL/bill/HB2687/2017>

HB2892, introduced 2/9/2017

Reimbursement for Prescriptions filled Outside of a

Licensed Pharmacy

Last Action: 3/31/2017 – Introduced – Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IL/bill/HB2892/2017>

HB3572, introduced 2/10/2017

Pharmacy Benefit Manager/Maximum Allowable Cost List

Last Action: 3/31/2017 – Introduced – Rule 19(a) / Re-referred to Rules Committee

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IL/bill/HB3572/2017>

Iowa

HF97, introduced 1/31/2017

Predesignation of a Treating Doctor

Last Action: 1/31/2017 – Introduced – Subcommittee: Forristal Hunter and Worthan. H.J. 166.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IA/bill/HF97/2017>

HSB169, introduced 3/2/2017

Conditions to disallow Compensation

Last Action: 3/2/2017 – Introduced – Committee report, recommending passage. H.J. 510.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IA/bill/HSB169/2017>

SSB1170, introduced 3/1/2017

Updating Permanent Partial Disability and other items

Last Action: 3/1/2017 – Introduced – Subcommittee Meeting: 2:00PM RM 116

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/IA/bill/SSB1170/2017>

Kansas

HB2059, introduced 1/31/2017

Medical Guides for Determining of Permanent Impairment

Last Action: 1/31/2017 – Introduced – House Referred to Committee on Taxation

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/KS/bill/HB2059/2017>

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HB2342, introduced 2/9/2017**Injured Workers Choice of Health Care Provider**

Last Action: 2/9/2017 – Introduced – House Referred to Committee on Taxation

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/LA/bill/HB428/2017>

Louisiana**HB428, introduced 3/31/2017****Unfair Trade Practices by Insurers and Pharmacy Benefit Managers**

Last Action: 4/10/2017 – Introduced – Read by title, under the rules, referred to the Committee on Insurance.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/LA/bill/HB428/2017>

HB529, introduced 3/31/2017**Workers Compensation Closed Formulary**

Last Action: 4/10/2017 – Introduced – Read by title, under the rules, referred to the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/LA/bill/HB529/2017>

Massachusetts**H537, introduced 1/23/2017****Expands access to Telemedicine Services**

Last Action: 1/23/2017 – Introduced – Senate Concurred

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/LA/bill/HB529/2017>

H578, introduced 1/23/2017**Maximum Allowable Cost List/ Pharmacy Benefit Managers**

Last Action: 1/23/2017 – Introduced – Senate Concurred

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MA/bill/H578/2017>

H1188, introduced 1/23/2017**Nurse Licensure Compact**

Last Action: 1/23/2017 – Introduced – Senate Concurred

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MA/bill/H537/2017>

H2156, introduced 1/23/2017**Telehealth Services Increased Access to Behavioral Health Services**

Last Action: 1/23/2017 – Introduced – Senate Concurred

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MA/bill/H2156/2017>

H3582, introduced 1/23/2017**Deceptive Trade Practices/ Pharmacies/ Pharmacy Benefit Managers**

Last Action: 1/23/2017 – Introduced – Senate Concurred

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MA/bill/H3582/2017>

S523, introduced 1/23/2017**Specialty Drugs**

Last Action: 1/23/2017 – Introduced – House Concurred

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MA/bill/S523/2017>

S532, introduced 1/23/2017**Interactive Audio, Video, or Other Electronic Media for Medical Diagnosis, Consultation, or Treatment.**

Last Action: 1/23/2017 – Introduced – House Concurred

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MA/bill/S532/2017>

S549, introduced 1/23/2017**Telemedicine**

Last Action: 1/23/2017 – Introduced – House Concurred

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MA/bill/S549/2017>

S583, introduced 1/23/2017**Access to Generic Medication**

Last Action: 1/23/2017 – Introduced – House Concurred

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MA/bill/S583/2017>

S593, introduced 1/23/2017**Pharmacy Benefit Managers**

Last Action: 1/23/2017 – Introduced – House Concurred

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MA/bill/S593/2017>

Michigan

HB4066, introduced 1/25/2017

Interstate Medical Licensure

Last Action: 1/25/2017 – Bill Electronically Reproduced
01/24/2017

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MI/bill/HB4066/2017>

HB4067, introduced 1/25/2017

Interstate Medical Licensure

Last Action: 1/25/2017 – Bill Electronically Reproduced
01/24/2017

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MI/bill/HB4067/2017>

SB0282, introduced 3/29/2017

Reimbursement for Certain Chiropractic Services

Last Action: 3/30/2017 – Reassigned to Committee on Insurance
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MI/bill/SB0282/2017>

SB0287, introduced 3/30/2017

Regulation of Pharmacy Benefit Managers

Last Action: 3/30/2017 – Reassigned to Committee on Insurance
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MI/bill/SB0287/2017>

Missouri

SB236, introduced 1/31/2017

Database for Workers' Compensation Claims

Last Action: 1/31/2017 – Hearing Conducted S Small Business
and Industry Committee

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/MO/bill/SB236/2017>

Nebraska

LB181, introduced 3/8/2017

Reimbursement for Certain Medical Examinations

Last Action: 3/6/2017 – Quick MO50 Unanimous consent to
bracket until January 10, 2018 filed - Approved

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NE/bill/LB181/2017>

LB324, introduced 2/2/2017

Pharmacy Benefit Fairness and Transparency Act

Last Action: 2/2/2017 – Notice of hearing for February 27, 2017
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NE/bill/LB324/2017>

LB408, introduced 2/2/2017

Drug Formulary

Last Action: 2/2/2017 – Notice of hearing for March 6, 2017
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NE/bill/LB408/2017>

LB609, introduced 2/2/2017

Outpatient Hospital Fee Schedule

Last Action: 2/2/2017 – Notice of hearing for March 6, 2017
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NE/bill/LB609/2017>

Nevada

AB3, introduced 2/6/2017

Administration of Workers' Compensation Claims

Last Action: 2/6/2017 – Introduced - Read first time to
committee

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NV/bill/AB3/2017>

AB18, introduced 2/6/2017

Ratifies Nurse Licensure Compact

Last Action: 2/6/2017 – Introduced - Read first time to
committee

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NV/bill/AB18/2017>

New Hampshire

HB407, introduced 1/11/2017

Diagnostic Testing for Disease Exposure

Last Action: 3/1/2017 – Introduced - Retained in Committee
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB407/2017>

HB510, introduced 6 1/12/2017

Medical payments under Vehicle Liability Policy.

Last Action: 2/15/2017 – Introduced - Inexpedite to Legislate:
Motion Adopted Voice Vote

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NH/bill/HB510/2017>

New Jersey

A4338, introduced 2/15/2017

Prescription Drug Consumer Transparency Act

Last Action: 2/15/2017 – Introduced - Assembly Floor Amendment Passed

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NJ/bill/A4338/2016>

A4444, introduced 2/13/2017

Disputed Medical Fees

Last Action: 2/13/2017 – Introduced - Reported out of Assembly Comm. With Amendments, 2nd Reading.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NJ/bill/A4444/2016>

A4622, introduced 2/27/2017

Prohibits Sale or Lease of Access to Certain Health Care Provider Networks

Last Action: 2/27/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Assembly Financial Institutions and Insurance Committee

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NJ/bill/A4622/2016>

New York

A00015, introduced 1/04/2017

Payment of Pharmaceutical Bills

Last Action: 1/4/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A00015/2017>

A00854, introduced 1/09/2017

Acupuncturist to Treat Injured Workers.

Last Action: 1/9/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A00854/2017>

A01419, introduced 1/12/2017

Tele-Health Services

Last Action: 1/12/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Insurance

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A01419/2017>

A02023, introduced 1/17/2017

Acupuncturist to Treat Injured Workers.

Last Action: 1/17/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A02023/2017>

A02653, introduced 1/20/2017

Reimbursement of Mail order Pharmacies

Last Action: 1/20/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Insurance

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A02653/2017>

A02653, introduced 1/20/2017

Reimbursement of Mail order Pharmacies

Last Action: 1/20/2017 – Introduced - Insurance

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A02653/2017>

A02661, introduced 3/1/2017

Pharmacy Benefit Managers

Last Action: 3/1/2017 – Introduced - Reported referred to ways and means

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A02661/2017>

A02859, introduced 1/23/2017

Allows Physicians to direct Physical Therapy Care

Last Action: 1/23/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A02859/2017>

A03338, introduced 1/27/2017

Ambulance Services Fee Scheduled

Last Action: 1/27/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A03338/2017>

A03877, introduced 1/30/2017

Treatment of Injured Workers by Social Workers

Last Action: 1/30/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A03877/2017>

A04079, introduced 2/1/2017

Prescription Prices and Pharmacies

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Last Action: 2/1/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A04079/2017>

A04222, introduced 2/1/2017

Treatment of Injured Workers by Social Workers

Last Action: 2/1/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A04222/2017>

A04825, introduced 2/10/2017

The Use of Treatment Guidelines

Last Action: 2/10/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A05526/2017>

A05526, introduced 3/17/2017

Authorizes Care and Treatment to Injured Employees by Massage Therapy Services

Last Action: 2/3/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A05526/2017>

A06797, introduced 2/3/2017

Advisory Committee on Independent Medical Examinations

Last Action: 2/3/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/A06797/2017>

S00406, introduced 1/4/2017

Authorizes Licensed Massage Therapists to Care for Injured Workers

Last Action: 1/4/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/S00406/2017>

S00780, introduced 1/4/2017

Allows Treatment Guidelines under the Comprehensive Motor Vehicle Repairs Act

Last Action: 1/4/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Insurance
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/S00780/2017>

S00833, introduced 1/5/2017

Establishes a Task Force to Study the Utilization of TeleHealth

Last Action: 1/5/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/S00833/2017>

S01122, introduced 1/6/2017

Allows Nurse Practitioners to diagnose and treat injured Workers

Last Action: 1/6/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/S01122/2017>

S01492, introduced 1/9/2017

Allows Clinical Social Workers to Treat Injured Workers

Last Action: 1/9/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/S01492/2017>

S05339, introduced 3/22/2017

Creates an Advisory Committee on Independent Examinations

Last Action: 3/22/2017 – Introduced - Referred to Labor
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NY/bill/S05339/2017>

North Carolina

H88, introduced 2/13/2017

Nurse Practice Act

Last Action: 2/14/2017 – Introduced - Serial Referral To Finance Added
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NC/bill/H88/2017>

H150, introduced 2/21/2017

Chiropractic Peer Review for Motor Vehicle Liability

Last Action: 4/6/2017 - Engrossed – Ref To Com On Rules and Operations of the Senate
Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NC/bill/H150/2017>

H338, introduced 3/15/2017

Establishes New Nurse Licensure Compact

Last Action: 3/15/2017 – Introduced - Ref to the Com on

Health, if favorable, finance

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NC/bill/H338/2017>

H550, introduced 4/4/2017

Establishes New Nurse Licensure Compact

Last Action: 4/25/2017 – Introduced - Ref to Com on Rules and Operations of the Senate

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/NC/bill/H550/2017>

Oklahoma

HB1580, introduced 2/7/2017

Telemedicine

Last Action: 2/7/2017 – Introduced - Second Reading Referred to Insurance

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/OK/bill/HB1580/2017>

SB716, introduced 2/7/2017

Telemedicine

Last Action: 2/7/2017 – Introduced - Second Reading Referred to Retirement and insurance

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/OK/bill/SB716/2017>

Oregon

HB2335, introduced 3/8/2017

Closing of Workers' Compensation Claims

Last Action: 3/8/2017 – Engrossed – Referred to Workforce

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/OR/bill/HB2335/2017>

SB780, introduced 3/8/2017

Independent Medical Examinations

Last Action: 3/8/2017 – Introduced– Public Hearing Held.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/OR/bill/SB780/2017>

Pennsylvania

HB18, introduced 2/13/2017

Drug Formulary

Last Action: 2/13/2017 – Introduced – Referred to Labor and Industry

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/PA/bill/HB18/2017>

Rhode Island

SB269, introduced 2/15/2017

Interstate Medical Licensure Compact

Last Action: 3/30/2017 – Introduced – Committee recommended measure be held for further study

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/RI/bill/S0269/2017>

S0079, introduced 1/18/2017

Transportation Costs

Last Action: 3/29/2017 - Introduced – Committee recommended measure be held for further study

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/RI/bill/S0079/2017>

Texas

HB2830, introduced 3/3/2017

Closed formulary

Last Action: 4/10/2017 – Introduced – Left pending in committee

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/TX/bill/HB2830/2017>

Washington

SB5355, introduced 1/20/2017

Telemedicine

Last Action: 2/9/2017 – Introduced – Public hearing in the Senate Committee on Health Care at 10:00 am.

Legiscan Link to Bill: <https://legiscan.com/WA/bill/SB5355/2017>