

Ohio Foot and Ankle Medical Association
131st GA – Bill Tracking
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House Bills:

HB 33 MEDICAL CANNABIS (Retherford, W., Rogers, J.) To authorize for persons diagnosed with seizure disorders certain uses of cannabidiol and other drugs or substances derived from cannabis.

HB 34 HEALTH CARE COMPACT (Retherford, W., Boose, T.) To enter into the Health Care Compact.

HB 40 MEDICAL BOARD (Gonzales, A., Dever, J.) To authorize the State Medical Board to impose fines rather than licensing suspensions for failure to comply with continuing education requirements, to authorize the Board to impose fines in addition to other actions it may take for violations of the laws it administers, and to authorize the Board to impose additional conditions for restoration of certain certificates to practice.

HB 52 BWC BUDGET (Hackett, B.) To make changes to the Workers' Compensation Law, to make appropriations for the Bureau of Workers' Compensation for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2017, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of the Bureau's programs.

HB 64 BIENNIAL BUDGET (Smith, R.) To make operating appropriations for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2017, and to provide authorization and conditions for the operation of state programs.

HB 67 MEDICAL GRANTS (Ramos, D.) To create the Frances Lewandowski Memorial Medical Research Fund and the Medical University Research Reserve Fund to provide grants to public medical schools for research on terminal, chronic or currently incurable diseases, to require the General Assembly annually to appropriate for those grants an amount equal to not less than one-tenth of one percent of total prior year General Revenue Fund appropriations, and to make an appropriation.

HB 96 PRESCRIPTIONS (Pelanda, D., Bishoff, H.) To authorize a person not otherwise authorized to do so to administer certain drugs pursuant to delegation by an advanced practice registered nurse who holds a certificate to prescribe.

HB 109 HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE (Stinziano, M., Antonio, N.) To create the Ohio Health Benefit Exchange.

HB 116 PRESCRIPTION REFILLS (Brown, T., Ginter, T.) To provide for partial drug prescription refills for the purpose of synchronizing multiple prescriptions for one patient

HB 127 PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGERS (Brown, T., Cera, J.) To regulate pharmacy benefit managers.

HB 157 HEALTH INSURANCE (Butler, J., Johnson, T.) To revise the laws governing health insurance coverage, medical malpractice claims, the Medicaid program, health care provider discipline, and required and permitted health care provider disclosures; and to create the Nonstandard Multiple Employer Welfare Arrangement Program and to terminate that program after five years.

HB 169 PHYSICAL THERAPY (Brown, T., Reineke, B.) To modify the laws governing the practice of physical therapy.

HB 213 OCCUPATIONAL LICENSES (Brinkman, T.) To make occupational licenses subject to annual renewal become biennial licenses and to permit a licensee to take continuing education courses online.

HB 216 NURSES (Pelanda, D.) To revise the law governing advanced practice registered nurses.

HB 224 ACCOUNTABLE CARE ORGANIZATIONS (Antani, N., Duffey, M.) To require each accountable care organization (ACO) to establish a clinical laboratory testing advisory board and each clinical laboratory that provides services to participants in the ACO to designate a member of the board.

HB 247 SEXUAL ORIENTATION THERAPY (Driehaus, D., Phillips, D.) To prohibit certain health care professionals from engaging in sexual orientation change efforts when treating minor patients.

HB 250 MEDICAID DRUGS (Sprague, R., Driehaus, D.) Regarding Medicaid pharmacy utilization management programs and prior authorization requirements for certain opioids.

HB 257 STATE OPERATIONS (Becker, J.) To modify the law governing re-employed retirants; to expand the immunity from liability for certain health care professionals, workers, and organizations when providing care to indigent and uninsured individuals; to require the Department of Health to ensure that certain funds are not used to perform elective abortions, or promote or affiliate with any entity that performs elective abortions; to modify the method of calculating the severance tax; to make certain changes to the sales tax; to modify the income tax rates and calculation; and to reduce General Revenue Fund appropriations for the fiscal biennium ending June 30, 2017; and to eliminate Medicaid funding for the group described in section 192(a)(10)(i)(VIII) of the "Social Security Act."

HB 276 CHIROPRACTORS (Schuring, K.) To authorize chiropractors to engage in certain activities involving nutrition-related items and therapies, nonprescription drugs, and medical goods and devices.

HB 285 PRESCRIPTION REFILLS (Sprague, R.) To authorize pharmacists to dispense multiple refills of a prescription simultaneously under certain circumstances.

HB 290 TERMINAL PATIENTS (Sprague, R., Anielski, M.) To permit a physician to treat a terminally ill patient with a drug that is not approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration and permit a drug manufacturer to provide such a drug to the patient or physician.

HB 394 UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION (Sears, B.) To temporarily change the taxable wage base under Ohio's Unemployment Compensation Law, to remove dependency classes for unemployment compensation benefit eligibility, to temporarily freeze automatic increases for weekly unemployment compensation benefit amounts, to reduce the number of weeks for which an individual may receive unemployment compensation benefits, to abolish the Unemployment Compensation Advisory Council, and to make other changes to Ohio's Unemployment Compensation Law.

Senate Bills:

SB 17 MEDICAID COVERAGE (Cafaro, C.) To require the Medicaid program to cover the eligibility expansion group authorized by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and to make an appropriation.

SB 31 HEALTH INSURANCE (Tavares, C.) To prohibit health insurers from denying payment for a service during or after the performance of the service if the insurer provided prior written authorization for the service.

SB 32 TELEMEDICINE (Tavares, C.) Regarding insurance and Medicaid coverage of

SB 33 CULTURAL COMPETENCY (Tavares, C.) To require certain health care professionals to complete instruction in cultural competency.

SB 55 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS (Burke, D.) To revise the law governing the practice of physician assistants.

SB 66 HEALTH PROFESSIONAL LOANS (Tavares, C.) To require the Director of Health to establish the Ohio Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program.

SB 72 MEDICAID PAYMENTS (Tavares, C.) To specify that the Ohio prompt payment law applies to payment of claims by Medicaid managed care organizations.

SB 74 SEXUAL ORIENTATION CHANGES (Tavares, C.) To prohibit certain health care professionals from engaging in sexual orientation change efforts when treating minor patients.

SB 90 HEALTH CARE ID (Tavares, C.) To require that a health care professional wear identification when providing care or treatment in the presence of a patient.

SB 110 DRUG ADMINISTRATION (Burke, D.) To authorize administration of certain drugs pursuant to delegation by an advanced practice registered nurse who holds a certificate to prescribe and to revise the law governing billing for anatomic pathology services performed on dermatology specimens.

SB 129 PRIOR AUTHORIZATIONS (Gardner, R., Cafaro, C.) To amend the law related to the prior authorization requirements of insurers.

SB 132 HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE (Skindell, M., Tavares, C.) To establish the Ohio Health Benefit Exchange Program consisting of an exchange for individual coverage and a Small Business Health Options Program.

SB 137 UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE (Skindell, M., Tavares, C.) To establish and operate the Ohio Health Care Plan to provide universal health care coverage to all Ohio residents.

SB 141 PHARMACIST AGREEMENTS (Burke, D., Manning, G.) To revise the laws governing pharmacist consult agreements and the laws governing the circumstances under which a pharmacist may dispense or sell a drug without a prescription.

SB 177 MEDICAL RECORDS (Jordan, K.) To prohibit a physician from submitting patient medical records to an electronic database maintained by another party without patient authorization and from asking a patient about firearm ownership or possession.

SB 194 ALTERNATIVE HEALTH (Jordan, K.) Regarding the provision of complementary or alternative health services.