

IOMS Legislative Update
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Overview of a Brisk Beginning

The 2019 Legislative Session has begun at brisk pace. Nearly 6000 bills have been introduced. Late last week Senate Bill 1 sponsored by Senator Kim Lightford (D/Westchester) and Rep. Will Guzzardi (D/Logan Square) passed both houses. The bill increases Illinois' minimum wage from \$8.25 to \$9.25 on January 1, 2020; to \$10.00 on July 1, 2020; and \$1.00 each January 1 until 2025. This legislation is expected to be signed by Governor Pritzker at anytime.

On Wednesday, February 20 at noon in Springfield, Governor Pritzker will present his budget address. More information will be provided following the Governor's address. In addition, the Governor has been busy nominating new agency directors including the Illinois Department of Public Health and Medicaid. Again, once this is solidified, I will provide this information.

Faced with numerous significant issues including independent practice for PAs, granting pharmacists prescription authority, licensure for naturopaths and lay midwives, physician gift ban, and more. Outlined below are the issues before us. These are highly serious issues and require your immediate attention.

Legislation for Review

HB 1 — INFANT & MATERNAL MORTALITY

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-LaToya Greenwood-Delia C. Ramirez-Anne Stava-Murray-Celina Villanueva, Linda Chapa LaVia, Justin Slaughter, Rita Mayfield and Margo McDermed

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Task Force on Infant and Maternal Mortality Among African Americans Act.

HB 2 — PREGNANCY & CHILDBIRTH RIGHTS

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-LaToya Greenwood-Rita Mayfield-Delia C. Ramirez-Anne Stava-Murray, Linda Chapa LaVia, Katie Stuart and Robyn Gabel

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that every woman has certain rights with regard to pregnancy and childbirth, including the right to receive care that is consistent with current scientific evidence about benefits and risks, the right to choose her birth setting, the right to be provided with certain information, and the right to be treated with respect at all times before, during, and after pregnancy by her health care professionals and to have a health care professional that is culturally competent and treats her appropriately regardless of her ethnicity, sexual orientation, or religious background.

HB 4 — MEDICAID-DOULA SERVICES

House Sponsors

Rep. LaToya Greenwood-Mary E. Flowers-Robyn Gabel-Rita Mayfield-Celina Villanueva, Anne Stava-Murray, Delia C. Ramirez, Justin Slaughter, Sonya M. Harper and Katie Stuart

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that doula services shall be covered under the medical assistance program. Sets forth certain certification and training requirements a doula must satisfy to qualify for reimbursement under the medical assistance program.

HB 5 — MATERNAL CARE

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-LaToya Greenwood-Anne Stava-Murray-Linda Chapa LaVia-Rita Mayfield

Synopsis As Introduced

Requires the Department of Human Services to ensure access to substance use and mental health services statewide for pregnant and postpartum women, and to ensure that programs are gender-responsive, are trauma-informed, serve women and young children, and prioritize justice-involved pregnant and postpartum women.

HB 6 — IDPH-WOMEN'S HEALTH CLINICS

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-Linda Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Requires the Department of Public Health to establish women's health clinics throughout the State to provide affordable health care for women.

HB 7 — MEDICAID-DOULA-MIDWIFE SERVICE

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-Anne Stava-Murray-Robyn Gabel-LaToya Greenwood-Rita Mayfield

Synopsis As Introduced

Requires services provided by community midwives, doulas, and breastfeeding peer counselors to be covered and reimbursed under the medical assistance program for persons who are otherwise eligible for medical assistance.

HB 8 — MEDICARE FOR ALL HEALTH CARE**House Sponsors**

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-LaToya Greenwood-Gregory Harris-Rita Mayfield

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Illinois Medicare for All Health Care Act.

HB 207 — HEALTH CARE FOR ALL**House Sponsor**

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-Gregory Harris

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Health Care for All Illinois Act.

HB 208 — SCH CD-CANNABIS INSTRUCTION**House Sponsor**

Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. Provides that beginning with the 2019-2020 school year, in every public school maintaining any of grades kindergarten

through 12, there shall be instruction, study, and discussion on the side effects of cannabis.

HB 225 — MEDICAL PRACTICE-LYME DISEASE

House Sponsor

Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Medical Practice Act of 1987. Removes provisions prohibiting the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation from disciplining a physician for experimental treatments for Lyme disease or other tick-borne diseases.

HB 345 — TOBACCO PRODUCTS-UNDER 21

House Sponsors

Rep. Camille Y. Lilly-Tim Butler, Sonya M. Harper, Daniel Didech, Nicholas K. Smith, Robert Martwick, Will Guzzardi, Theresa Mah, Margo McDermed, Ann M. Williams, Monica Bristow, Marcus C. Evans, Jr., Sara Feigenholtz, Emanuel Chris Welch, Maurice A. West II, Anne Stava-Murray, Karina Villa, Elizabeth Hernandez, Justin Slaughter, Kelly M. Cassidy and Katie Stuart

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Prevention of Tobacco Use by Minors and Sale and Distribution of Tobacco Products Act. Changes the name of the Act to the Prevention of Tobacco Use by Persons under 21 Years of Age and Sale and Distribution of Tobacco Products Act. Raises the age for whom tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, and alternative nicotine products may be sold to and possessed by from at least 18 years of age to at least 21 years of age. Defines "electronic cigarette". Repeals the Smokeless Tobacco Limitation Act. Amends various other Acts to make conforming changes. Effective July 1,

2019.

HB 889 — INS CODE-TICK-BORNE DISEASE

House Sponsors

Rep. Daniel Swanson-Steven Reick-Jonathan Carroll-Norine K. Hammond, Linda Chapa LaVia, Michael Halpin, Mary E. Flowers, Charles Meier, Dan Caulkins, Randy E. Frese, Dave Severin, Terri Bryant, Margo McDermed, Lawrence Walsh, Jr., Darren Bailey, Patrick Windhorst, Lance Yednock, Robert Martwick, Ryan Spain, Kathleen Willis, Chris Miller, Thomas M. Bennett and David A. Welter

Synopsis As Introduced

Requires an individual or group policy of accident and health insurance or managed care plan to provide coverage for long-term antibiotic therapy for a person with a tick-borne disease. Makes conforming changes in the Health Maintenance Organization Act and the Illinois Public Aid Code.

HB 902 — CANNABIS LEGALIZATION

House Sponsor

Rep. Carol Ammons

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Cannabis Legalization Equity Act.

HB 1441 — IMPORTED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

House Sponsor

Rep. Anna Moeller

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Wholesale Importation of Prescription Drugs Act. Requires the

Department of Public Health to design an importation program where the State is the licensed wholesaler of imported drugs from licensed, regulated Canadian suppliers.

HB 1620 — ABORTION-PHYSICIAN ATTENDANCE

House Sponsors

Rep. Allen Skillicorn

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that subsequent to the abortion, if a child is born alive, the physician required to be in attendance shall exercise the same degree of professional skill, care, and diligence to preserve the life and health of the child as would be required of a physician providing immediate medical care to a child born alive at the same gestational age (rather than in the course of a pregnancy termination which was not an abortion).

HB 1637 — IMMIGRATION STATUS-ACCESS

House Sponsors

Rep. Emanuel Chris Welch-Elizabeth Hernandez, Jennifer Gong-Gershowitz and Linda Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Keep Illinois Families Together Act.

HB 2328 — HOSPITAL LICENSING-NON-COMPETE

House Sponsor

Rep. André Thapedi

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that employment agreements between hospitals and physicians may not contain any provision to restrict the ability of a physician to leave employment with the hospital or hospital affiliate and immediately continue to

practice in the same field of medicine in the same geographic area.

HB 2338 — NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIANS

House Sponsors

Rep. Robyn Gabel

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Medical Practice Act of 1987. Provides for the licensure of naturopathic physicians. Makes conforming changes in various other Acts.

HB 2384—ABORTION LAW-VIABILITY

House Sponsors

Rep. Patrick Windhorst-Dave Severin-Terri Bryant and Darren Bailey

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Abortion Law of 1975. Provides that except in the case of a medical emergency, a physician or person may not knowingly perform, induce, or attempt to perform an abortion upon a pregnant woman when the probable gestational age of her unborn child has been determined to be viable.

HB 2432 — FOSTER CHILD-PSYCH DRUGS

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-LaToya Greenwood

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Administration of Psychotropic Medications to Children Act. Provides that the Department of Children and Family Services shall adopt rules requiring the Department to distribute treatment guidelines on an annual basis

to all persons licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987 to practice medicine in all of its branches who prescribe psychotropic medications to youth for whom the Department is legally responsible.

HB 2449 — HOME BIRTH SAFETY ACT

House Sponsors

Rep. Robyn Gabel

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Home Birth Safety Act. Provides for the licensure of midwives by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation and for certain limitations on the activities of licensed midwives. Creates the Illinois Midwifery Board.

HB 2462 — ABORTION LAW-FETAL HEART BEAT

House Sponsors

Rep. Chris Miller-Brad Halbrook-Blaine Wilhour-Thomas Morrison-Darren Bailey

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Illinois Abortion Law of 1975. Defines "viability" to include when, in the medical judgment of the attending physician based on the particular facts of the case before the attending physician, the unborn child has a fetal heartbeat. Defines "fetal heartbeat" as the cardiac activity or the steady and repetitive rhythmic contraction of the fetal heart within the gestational sac.

HB 2511 — SUICIDE PREVENTION-THERAPY

House Sponsors

Rep. Deanne M. Mazzochi

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Suicide Prevention Act. Provides that for a person 18 years of age or older who is receiving or has received mental health services for an attempted suicide, the person's therapist shall identify a family member or other person who shall consult with the therapist every 30 days following a suicide attempt for the period of one year.

HB 2587 — WORKERS COMP-PAIN MANAGEMENT

House Sponsors

Rep. Thomas M. Bennett

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Workers' Compensation Act. Requires a recipient of certain pain management medication to sign a written agreement with the prescribing physician agreeing to comply with the conditions of the prescription.

HB 2604 — SAFE PATIENT LIMITS

House Sponsors

Rep. Fred Crespo

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Safe Patient Limits Act. Provides the maximum number of patients that may be assigned to a registered nurse in specified situations. Provides that nothing shall preclude a facility from assigning fewer patients to a registered nurse than the limits provided in Act.

HB 2638 — OPIOID PRESCRIBER REQUIREMENTS

House Sponsors

Rep. Marcus C. Evans, Jr.

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that a prescriber shall offer a prescription for naloxone hydrochloride or another drug approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for the complete or partial reversal of opioid depression to a patient when one or more of the following conditions are present: (1) the prescription dosage for the patient is 90 or more morphine milligram equivalents of an opioid medication per day; (2) an opioid medication is prescribed concurrently with a prescription for benzodiazepine; (3) the patient presents with an increased risk for overdose, including a patient with a history of overdose, a patient with a history of substance use disorder, or a patient at risk for returning to a high dose of opioid medication to which the patient is no longer tolerant.

HB 2665 — MEDICAL-MINOR'S CONSENT

House Sponsor

Rep. Lamont J. Robinson, Jr.

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that a minor of 12 years or older who may have come into contact with any sexually transmitted disease or may be determined to be an intoxicated person or a person with a substance use disorder, or who may have a family member who abuses drugs or alcohol, may give consent to the furnishing of health care services or counseling related to the prevention, diagnosis, or treatment, rather than just the diagnosis or treatment, of the disease.

HB 2710 — BEHAVIOR ANALYST-LICENSURE

House Sponsors

Rep. Kathleen Willis-Deb Conroy

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Behavior Analyst Licensing Act. Provides for licensure of behavior analysts and assistant behavior analysts.

HB 2766 — SUICIDE-FIRST RESPONDERS

House Sponsors

Rep. Frances Ann Hurley

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the First Responders Suicide Prevention Act. Provides that emergency services personnel and public safety personnel may refer any person to an employee assistance program or peer support counselor within the emergency services provider or law enforcement agency, or if those services are not available within the agency, to another employee assistance program or peer support counseling program that is available.

HB 2792 — WORKERS COMP-FEE SCHEDULE

House Sponsors

Rep. Dan Ugaste

Synopsis As Introduced

Makes existing medical fee schedules inoperative after August 31, 2020. Provides that the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission shall establish new medical fee schedules applicable on and after September 1, 2020 in accordance with specified criteria. Provides for 4 non-hospital fee schedules and 14 hospital fee schedules applicable to different geographic areas of the State.

HB 2813 — NURSES-COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENT

House Sponsors

Rep. Anna Moeller

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Nurse Practice Act. Provides that collaboration does not require an employment relationship between the collaborating physician, podiatric physician, or dentist and the advanced practice registered nurse. Provides that, in the case of anesthesia services provided by a certified

registered nurse anesthetist, an anesthesiologist, a physician, a dentist, or a podiatric physician must participate through discussion of and agreement with the anesthesia plan and remain available (rather than remain physically present and available on the premises during the delivery of anesthesia services) for diagnosis, consultation, and treatment of emergency medical conditions. Makes changes concerning the written collaborative agreements between a certified registered nurse anesthetist and a dentist.

HB 2828 — SUICIDE DEPICTION WARNING

House Sponsors

Rep. Anne Stava-Murray

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Suicide Depiction Warning Act. Requires a black box warning to be presented at the beginning of and periodically throughout the presentation of a fictional show that includes a depiction of suicide. Provides that the warning must disclose that suicide not only harms the person who dies, but also harms others.

HB 2846 — AUTOIMMUNE ENCEPHALITIS CODING

House Sponsors

Rep. Deb Conroy

Synopsis As Introduced

In provisions concerning treatment for pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute onset neuropsychiatric syndrome, provides that treatment administered or prescribed after July 18, 2017 shall be covered.

HB 2850 — Please review carefully. The chiros have asked up to discuss this legislation with them which they have introduced several times in the past.

Short Description: SCH CD-CONCUSSION-PHYSICIAN

House Sponsors

Rep. Thomas Morrison

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the School Code. With regard to the provision governing the concussion protocol during an interscholastic athletic activity, provides that the term "physician" includes a chiropractic physician licensed under the Medical Practice Act of 1987.

HB 2882 — GENERIC DRUG PRICING

House Sponsors

Rep. Will Guzzardi

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Pharmaceutical and Health Affordability: Restrictions on Manufacturers' Amoral Behavior Through Reasonable Oversight Act. Provides that a manufacturer or wholesale drug distributor shall not engage in price gouging in the sale of an essential off-patent or generic drug.

HB 2895 — IDPH-HEMORRHAGE TRAINING

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-LaToya Greenwood-Rita Mayfield

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that the Department of Public Health shall ensure that all hospitals require specified employees to complete educational training on the management of severe maternal hypertension and postpartum hemorrhage. Provides that hospitals must demonstrate completion of the training of new

hires with a course certificate from the Department.

HB 2896 — IDPH-DIVERSITY TASK FORCE

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers-Rita Mayfield-LaToya Greenwood

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois. Creates the Diversity in Health Care Professions Task Force.

HB 3003 — INCOME TAX-PEDIATRIC RARE DISEASE

House Sponsor

Rep. C.D. Davidsmeyer

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates an income tax checkoff for donations to the Pediatric and Rare Disease in Children Research Fund.

HB 3158 — ABORTION LAW-UNDER 20 WEEKS

House Sponsors

Rep. Jerry Costello, II

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that except in the case of a medical emergency, no physician or person shall knowingly perform, induce, or attempt to perform an abortion upon a pregnant woman when the probable gestational age of her unborn child has been determined to be at least 20 weeks.

HB 3355 — Please review carefully.

Short Description: PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT INDEPENDENT PRACTICE

House Sponsors

Rep. Jay Hoffman

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Medical Practice Act of 1987. Provides that a physician licensed to practice medicine in all its branches may collaborate with a physician assistant (rather than may delegate care and treatment responsibilities to a physician assistant). Provides that a collaborative agreement shall be for services in the same area of practice or specialty as the collaborating physician in his or her medical practice. Deletes language providing that a physician may enter into collaborative agreements with no more than 7 full-time physician assistants. Amends the Physician Assistant Practice Act of 1987. Provides that a physician assistant in a health professional shortage area with a score greater than or equal to 12 shall own his or her own medical practice. Provides that medical and surgical services provided by a physician assistant include: obtaining and performing comprehensive health histories and physical examinations; evaluating, diagnosing, and providing medical treatment; ordering, performing, and interpreting diagnostic studies and therapeutic procedures; educating patients on health promotion and disease prevention; providing consultation upon request; and writing medical orders. Provides other provisions regarding scope of practice. Deletes language requiring: a written collaborative agreement for all physician assistants to practice in the State; a written collaborative agreement to describe the working relationship of the physician assistant with the collaborating physician and the categories of care, treatment, or procedures to be provided by the physician assistant; and the collaborating physician to file with the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation notice when employing, discharging, or collaborating with a physician assistant. Makes other changes. Effective January 1, 2020.

HB 3494 — PHYSICIAN GIFT BAN ACT

House Sponsors

Rep. Michelle Mussman

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Physician Gift Ban Act. Prohibits a pharmaceutical marketer from providing any promotions, including, but not limited to, travel and prizes, to a physician to induce the physician to prescribe Tier 1 medications.

HB 3511 — DPH-MATERNAL MENTAL HEALTH**House Sponsors**

Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Maternal Mental Health Conditions Education, Early Diagnosis, and Treatment Act. Provides that a general acute care hospital or special hospital that has a perinatal unit, in collaboration with medical staff, shall by January 1, 2021 develop and implement a program to provide education and information to appropriate health care professionals and patients about maternal mental health conditions.

HB 3515 — YOUTH HEALTH PROTECTION ACT**House Sponsors**

Rep. Thomas Morrison

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Youth Health Protection Act. Provides that a medical doctor shall not prescribe, provide, administer, or deliver puberty-suppressing drugs or cross-sex hormones and shall not perform surgical orchiectomy or castration, urethroplasty, vaginoplasty, mastectomy, phalloplasty, or metoidioplasty on biologically healthy and anatomically normal persons under the age of 18 for the purpose of treating the subjective, internal psychological condition of

gender dysphoria or gender discordance.

HB 3559 — MANDATORY DEMENTIA TRAINING

House Sponsors

Rep. Martin J. Moylan

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Mandatory Dementia-Specific Training Act. Provides that emergency medical technicians, probate judges, paid conservators, and protective services employees shall receive dementia-specific training, including, but not limited to, training in Alzheimer's disease and dementia symptoms and care. Provides that the personnel must receive a refresher training course at least once every 3 years. Provides that the Department of Public Health shall implement and conduct the training program, set standards and determine the hours and frequency of necessary training, and adopt any rules necessary to implement the Act.

HB 3576 — HEALTH-VIOLENCE PREVENTION

House Sponsors

Rep. Keith R. Wheeler

Synopsis As Introduced

Requires health care providers that employ a health care worker to display a notice stating that physical battery (rather than physical assault) will be reported to law enforcement.

HB 3662 — IDPH-DIAGNOSTIC ALGORITHM

House Sponsors

Rep. Mary E. Flowers

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that before using any diagnostic algorithm to diagnose a patient, a hospital must first confirm that the diagnostic algorithm has been certified by the Department of Public Health and the Department of Innovation and Technology, has been shown to achieve as or more accurate diagnostic results than other diagnostic means, and is not the only method of diagnosis available to a patient. Amends the Medical Patient Rights Act. Provides that a patient has the right to be told when a diagnostic algorithm will be used to diagnose them. Provides that before a diagnostic algorithm is used to diagnose a patient, the patient must first be presented with the option of being diagnosed without the diagnostic algorithm and consent to the diagnostic algorithm's use.

SB 21 — TOBACCO PRODUCTS-UNDER 21

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Julie A. Morrison-John J. Cullerton-Michael E. Hastings-John G. Mulroe-Melinda Bush, Laura Fine, Robert Peters, Suzy Glowiak, Mattie Hunter, Pat McGuire and Ann Gillespie

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Prevention of Tobacco Use by Minors and Sale and Distribution of Tobacco Products Act. Changes the name of the Act to the Prevention of Tobacco Use by Persons under 21 Years of Age and Sale and Distribution of Tobacco Products Act. Raises the age for whom tobacco products, electronic cigarettes, and alternative nicotine products may be sold to and possessed by from at least 18 years of age to at least 21 years of age. Defines "electronic cigarette". Repeals the Smokeless Tobacco Limitation Act. Amends various other Acts to make conforming changes. Effective July 1, 2019.

SB 27 — INS CODE/PUBLIC AID-TELEHEALTH

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Andy Manar, Dale Fowler-Dave Syverson-Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant, Rachelle Crowe-Terry Link, Antonio Muñoz and Paul Schimpf-Jacqueline Y. Collins

Synopsis As Introduced

In provisions concerning coverage for telehealth services, provides that certain health benefit policies or plans may not exclude from coverage a medically necessary health care service or procedure delivered by certain providers solely because the health care service or procedure is provided through telehealth (rather than requiring certain policies to meet specified criteria if they provide coverage for telehealth services). Provides the requirements of coverage for telehealth services. Provides that an individual or group policy of accident or health insurance that provides coverage for telehealth services delivered by contracted licensed dietitian nutritionists and contracted certified diabetes educators must also provide coverage for in-home services for senior diabetes patients (rather than requiring an individual or group policy of accident or health insurance that provides coverage for telehealth services to provide coverage for licensed dietitian nutritionists and certified diabetes educators who counsel senior diabetes patients in the patients' homes). Amends the Illinois Public Aid Code. Provides payment, reimbursement, and service requirements for telehealth services provided under the State's fee-for-service or managed care medical assistance programs. Provides that "telehealth" includes telepsychiatry. Provides that the Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall implement the new provisions 60 days after the effective date of the amendatory Act. Repeals a provision requiring the Department to reimburse psychiatrists and federally qualified health centers for mental health services provided by psychiatrists to medical assistance recipients through telepsychiatry. Makes other changes.

SB 174 — IN-OFFICE MEMBERSHIP CARE ACT

Senate Sponsors

Sen. John G. Mulroe-Dave Syverson

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the In-Office Membership Care Act. Provides the requirements for an in-office membership care agreement between a primary care provider and patient. Provides where in-office membership care services may be provided. Provides that an in-office membership care agreement is not subject to the

Illinois Insurance Code and that services provided under an in-office membership care agreement shall not be submitted to an insurer for payment. Provides a disclaimer each in-office membership care agreement shall include concerning not providing health insurance coverage.

SB 182 — ESTATES-HEALTH DIRECTIVES

Senate Sponsor

Sen. Julie A. Morrison

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that the Department of Public Health shall study the feasibility of creating a statewide registry of advance directives and Practitioner Order for Life-Sustaining Treatment forms. Amends the Illinois Living Will Act, the Health Care Surrogate Act, the Mental Health Treatment Preferences Declaration Act, and the Powers of Attorney for Health Care Law of the Illinois Power of Attorney Act.

SB 1220 — NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIANS

Senate Sponsor

Sen. Emil Jones, III

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Medical Practice Act of 1987. Provides for the licensure of naturopathic physicians. Makes conforming changes in various other Acts. Effective immediately.

SB 1243 — ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH INFO

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Laura Fine

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Access to Basic Mental Health Information Act. Provides definitions for "mental health facility", "physician", and "recipient". Provides that specified individuals are entitled, upon request, to obtain certain information regarding a recipient in a mental health facility if the individual declares that he or she is involved in the recipient's care or paying for the recipient's care and the individual meets specified requirements.

SB 1250— SCH CD-STUDENT-PANCREATIC

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Laura M. Murphy

Synopsis As Introduced

Requires a school district, public school, or nonpublic school to permit a student diagnosed with a pancreatic insufficiency to self-administer and self-manage his or her pancreatic enzyme replacement therapy if the parent or guardian of the student provides the school with written authorization for the self-administration or self-management and written authorization for the therapy from the student's physician, physician assistant, or advanced practice registered nurse; defines terms.

SB 1327 — MEDICAID-EXCEPTION TO RX LIMIT

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Laura M. Murphy

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that drugs prescribed to residents of the following facilities are not subject to prior approval as a result of the 4-prescription limit: long-term care facilities as defined in the Nursing Home Care Act; community-integrated living arrangements as defined in the Community-Integrated Living Arrangements Licensure and Certification Act; and supportive living facilities as defined in the Code.

SB 1506 — IEMA-MAMMOGRAPHY NOTICES

Senate Sponsors

Sen. John G. Mulroe

Synopsis As Introduced

Repeals a provision requiring the Department of Public Health to enforce provisions regarding the duty of providers of mammography services to provide specific notifications if a patient's mammogram demonstrates dense breast tissue and requires the Illinois Emergency management Agency to enforce the provisions.

SB 1557 — INS CD-PHARM BENEFITS MANAGERS**Senate Sponsors**

Sen. Steve Stadelman

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that a pharmacy benefits manager may not prohibit a pharmacy or pharmacist from providing a customer with a more affordable alternative if a more affordable alternative is available.

SB 1683 — NURSES-COLLABORATIVE AGREEMENT**Senate Sponsors**

Sen. Emil Jones, III

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Nurse Practice Act. Provides that collaboration does not require an employment relationship between the collaborating physician, podiatric physician, or dentist and the advanced practice registered nurse. Provides that, in the case of anesthesia services provided by a certified registered nurse anesthetist, an anesthesiologist, a physician, a dentist, or a podiatric physician must participate through discussion of and agreement with the anesthesia plan and remain available (rather than remain physically present and available on the premises during the delivery of anesthesia services) for diagnosis, consultation, and treatment of emergency medical conditions. Makes changes concerning the written collaborative agreements between a certified registered

nurse anesthetist and a dentist. Changes provisions concerning full practice authority to apply them to certified registered nurse anesthetists. Requires that during the delivery of anesthesia by a certified registered nurse anesthetists, the attestation for completion of clinical experience must be attested to by the collaborating physician or physicians, podiatrists, or dentists, and the certified registered nurse anesthetist.

SB 1715 — PHARMACY PRACTICE-INJECTIONS

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Michael E. Hastings

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that the "practice of pharmacy" includes the administration of injections of long-term antipsychotic medications pursuant to a valid prescription by a physician licensed to practice medicine in all its branches, upon completion of appropriate training, including how to address contraindications and adverse reactions set forth by rule, with notification to the patient's physician and appropriate record retention, or pursuant to hospital pharmacy and therapeutics committee policies and procedures.

SB 1725 — PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT PRACTICE

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Antonio Muñoz

Synopsis As Introduced

Amends the Medical Practice Act of 1987. Provides that a physician licensed to practice medicine in all its branches may collaborate with a physician assistant (rather than may delegate care and treatment responsibilities to a physician assistant). Provides that a collaborative agreement shall be for services in the same area of practice or specialty as the collaborating physician in his or her medical practice. Deletes language providing that a physician may enter into collaborative agreements with no more than 7 full-time physician assistants. Amends the Physician Practice Act

of 1987. Provides that a physician assistant in a health professional shortage area with a score greater than or equal to 12 shall own his or her own medical practice. Provides that medical and surgical services provided by a physician assistant include: obtaining and performing comprehensive health histories and physical examinations; evaluating, diagnosing, and providing medical treatment; ordering, performing, and interpreting diagnostic studies and therapeutic procedures; educating patients on health promotion and disease prevention; providing consultation upon request; and writing medical orders. Provides other provisions regarding scope of practice. Deletes language requiring: a written collaborative agreement for all physician assistants to practice in the State; and a written collaborative agreement to describe the working relationship of the physician assistant with the collaborating physician and the categories of care, treatment, or procedures to be provided by the physician assistant. Creates the Physician Assistant Medical Licensing Board (rather than the physician assistant advisory committee). Makes other changes. Effective January 1, 2020.

SB 1900 — CONTROLLED SUB-SCHED II

Senate Sponsor

Sen. Chuck Weaver

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that when issuing a prescription for an opiate to a patient 18 years of age or older for outpatient use for the first time, a practitioner may not issue a prescription for more than a 7-day supply. Provides that a practitioner may not issue an opiate prescription to a person under 18 years of age for more than a 7-day supply at any time and shall discuss with the parent or guardian of the person under 18 years of age the risks associated with opiate use and the reasons why the prescription is necessary. Provides that notwithstanding this provision, if, in the professional medical judgment of a practitioner, more than a 7-day supply of an opiate is required to treat the patient's acute medical condition or is necessary for the treatment of chronic pain management, pain associated with a cancer diagnoses, or for palliative care, then the practitioner may issue a prescription for the quantity needed to treat that acute medical condition, chronic pain, pain associated with a cancer diagnosis, or pain experienced while the patient is in palliative care. Provides that the condition triggering the prescription of an opiate for more than a 7-day supply shall be documented in the patient's medical record and the practitioner shall indicate that a non-opiate alternative was not appropriate to address the medical

condition. Provides that these provisions do not apply to medications designed for the treatment of substance abuse or opioid dependence.

SB 1908 — SAFE PATIENT LIMITS

Senate Sponsor

Sen. Cristina Castro

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Safe Patient Limits Act. Provides the maximum number of patients that may be assigned to a registered nurse in specified situations. Provides that nothing shall preclude a facility from assigning fewer patients to a registered nurse than the limits provided in Act.

SB 1909 — HEALTH-PREGNANCY/POSTPARTUM

Senate Sponsor

Sen. Cristina Castro

Synopsis As Introduced

Requires certain group health insurance policies and other specified policies to provide coverage of medically necessary treatment for postpartum complications as determined by the woman's treating physician.

SB 1973

Short Description: HOME BIRTH SAFETY ACT

Senate Sponsors

Sen. Toi W. Hutchinson-Iris Y. Martinez

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Home Birth Safety Act. Provides for the licensure of midwives by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation and for certain limitations on the activities of licensed midwives. Creates the Illinois Midwifery

Board. Sets forth provisions concerning application, qualifications, grounds for disciplinary action, and administrative procedures. Amends the Regulatory Sunset Act to set a repeal date for the new Act of January 1, 2030. Amends the Medical Practice Act of 1987, the Nurse Practice Act, and the Illinois Public Aid Code to make related changes.

SB 2151 — NURSING-DELEGATION

Senate Sponsor

Sen. Michael E. Hastings

Synopsis As Introduced

Provides that registered professional nurses may delegate nursing interventions and tasks (rather than nursing interventions) to other registered professional nurses and licensed practical nurses and may delegate tasks to unlicensed personnel based on the comprehensive nursing assessment. Removes provisions concerning delegation of nursing interventions and administration of medications in community-based or in-home care settings. Provides that a registered professional nurse may delegate tasks to other licensed and unlicensed persons.

HR 58 — DPH-PAINKILLER GUIDELINES

House Sponsors

Rep. Katie Stuart-Monica Bristow-Lance Yednock-Mary Edly-Allen, Michelle Mussman, Michael Halpin, Joyce Mason, Daniel Didech, Diane Pappas, Jonathan Carroll, Frances Ann Hurley, Sue Scherer, John Connor and Linda Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

Urges the Illinois Department of Public Health to adopt new guidelines for painkillers.

HR 74 — BREAST CANCER PROGRAM FUNDING

House Sponsors

Rep. Monica Bristow and Linda Chapa LaVia

Synopsis As Introduced

States that Illinois Breast and Cervical Cancer Program eligibility and funding should be broadened to further reduce barriers to breast screening, detection and treatment for underserved women to improve conditions for women.

HR 92 — TASK FORCE LIFE-HEALTH SCIENCE**House Sponsor**

Rep. Deanne M. Mazzochi

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Task Force on Life and Health Sciences to study the future of medicine, health, and wellness which depends on manufacturing, education, and innovation in the life and health sciences.

SJR 12 — HOME BIRTH CRISIS COMMITTEE**Senate Sponsor**

Sen. Iris Y. Martinez

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Home Birth Maternity Care Crisis Study Committee to provide the General Assembly a consumer-focused, evidence-based solution to the Illinois Home Birth Maternity Care Crisis.

SJR 14 — HOME BIRTH CRISIS COMMITTEE**Senate Sponsors**

Sen. Iris Y. Martinez-Neil Anderson-Cristina Castro-Don Harmon and Bill Cunningham-Toi W. Hutchinson

Synopsis As Introduced

Creates the Home Birth Maternity Care Crisis Study Committee to provide the General Assembly a consumer-focused, evidence-based solution to the Illinois Home Birth Maternity Care Crisis.