

LEGISLATION THAT FAILED

Oral Health Awareness Colorado

HB1084 REVIEW OF MEDICAID PROVIDERS

Rep. Gagliardi & Sen. Tochtrop

For reviews or audits of providers under Medicaid: 1) Limits the period of review to the calendar year in which the review or audit is commenced and the 2 prior calendar years; 2) Requires that the initial request for records be either personally delivered to the provider or sent by certified mail; and 3) Except for cases of false representation by the provider, limits the requests for records to 15 days of service during each of the 3 calendar years that are the subject of the review or audit, but, if any review or audit reveals that 50% or more of the records require repayment by the provider after all appeals, allows the next request to be for records up to 50 additional days of service in each of the applicable years. Allows a provider to make records available in an electronic format. Provides that in contingency-based contracts for review or audit of providers, the state is not obligated to pay the contracting agent until all appeals have been concluded. Requires reports to the health and human services committees of the general assembly to include an analysis of the costs of contingency-based contracts for reviews or audits.

Position Monitor

Current Status Postponed Indefinitely

HB1116 CHILDREN'S DENTAL PROGRAM MONEYS

Rep. Frangas & Sen. Hudak

Repeals the intent of the general assembly that general fund moneys not be used to implement the children's dental assistance program. Allows the children's dental plan cash fund to include general fund appropriations, but not in FY09-10.

Position Active Support

Current Status Postponed Indefinitely

LEGISLATION THAT FAILED

HB1273 HEALTH CARE FOR COLORADO

Rep. Kefalas & Sen. Foster

Creates the Colorado health care authority as a body corporate and political subdivision of the state. Identifies members of the committee to be appointed by legislative leadership and the Governor. Establishes the mission of the authority, which is to create a health care system in Colorado that is the administrator and payer for health care services. Requires the authority to create a system to recommend to the General Assembly that provides comprehensive medical benefits to Coloradans. Requires the appointment of a board of directors to create and develop the health care systems. In creating and developing the system, requires the board to consider specific requirements and analyses. Specifies comprehensive medical benefits to be included in the system. Establishes a fund consisting of any general fund moneys appropriated. Requires the Executive Director of the authority to seek all necessary waivers, exemptions, and agreements from the federal government to ensure consistent levels of funding if the system is implemented by bill of the General Assembly. Prohibits the implementation of the creation and development of the system if the board does not raise sufficient gifts, grants, and donations by July 1, 2011, to fund its activities. Prohibits the implementation of the system until all necessary waivers, exemptions, and agreements are in place; the board certifies that the board has received sufficient funding; and the General Assembly acts by bill to implement the system.

Position Monitor

Current Status Lost

HB1358 CREATE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM FOR COLORADO

Rep. Rice

Creates the Colorado health care authority (authority) as a body corporate and political subdivision of the state. Establishes the mission of the authority, which is to create a health care system (system) in Colorado that is the administrator and payer for health care services. Requires the authority to design a system to recommend to the general assembly that provides comprehensive medical benefits to all Coloradans. Requires the appointment of a board of directors (board) to create and develop the system. In creating and developing the system, requires the board to consider specific requirements and analyses. Requires the executive director of the board to seek all necessary waivers, exemptions, and agreements from the federal government to ensure consistent levels of funding if the system is implemented by bill of the general assembly. Prohibits the implementation of the creation and development of the system if the board does not raise sufficient gifts, grants, and donations by July 1, 2011, to fund its activities. Prohibits the implementation of the system until all necessary waivers, exemptions, and agreements are in place and the general assembly acts by bill to implement the system.

Position Oppose

Current Status Postponed Indefinitely

SB009 DENTAL SERVICE FOR MEDICAID AND CHIP CLIENTS

Sen. Boyd & Rep. Massey

Health Care Task Force. Adds adult dental services to optional services provided under the "Colorado Medical Assistance Act". Allows the medical services board to adopt rules specifying the particular dental services that will be provided. Adds dental services to prenatal and postpartum care for pregnant women under the "Children's Basic Health Plan Act".

Position Active Support

Current Status Postponed Indefinitely

LEGISLATION THAT FAILED

SB045 HIGHER EDUCATION GUARANTEED CREDIT TRANSFER

Sen. King K. & Rep. Middleton

Requires CCHE to establish articulation agreements for at least 5 baccalaureate degree programs by July 1, 2011. Defines "articulation agreements" as a formalized plan for a student to complete a 60-credit curriculum that, if completed, shall require the student to take no more than 60 additional credits at any Colorado public institution of higher education to complete the requirements for a particular 120-hour baccalaureate degree. Requires institutions to make articulation agreements available to students. Amended to specify the 5 baccalaureate degree programs as biology, business, criminal justice, elementary teacher licensure and math teacher licensure. Amended to clarify that a student taking advantage of a statewide articulation agreement for one of the 5 listed degree programs shall be required to complete an associate's degree and the 60-credit curriculum formalized in the articulation agreement. Amended to clarify that 4-year institutions that do not offer the 5 specified degree programs are not subject to the act.

Position Monitor

Current Status Lost

SB159 DEPENDENT HEALTH CARE COVERAGE

Sen. Sandoval & Reps. MhGihon and Benefield

Changes the age of an individual for which a carrier is required to offer dependent coverage for an additional premium form 25 to 30.

Position Support

Current Status Postponed Indefinitely

SB166 PRESCRIPTION DRUGS ETHICS ACT

Sen. M. Carroll & Rep. Pace

Creates the "Prescription Drug Ethics Act". Prohibits a manufacturer or wholesale drug, biological product, or medical or surgical device distributor who participates in a state health program from offering a gift, fee, payment, subsidy, or other economic benefit to a health care practitioner. Creates exemptions. Requires each manufacturer or distributor to disclose to the state board of pharmacy (board) the value of any benefit provided to any health care practitioner, hospital, nursing home, pharmacist, health benefit plan administrator, or any other person authorized to prescribe, dispense, or purchase at wholesale prescription drugs, biological products, or medical or surgical devices. Requires the board to make the reported information available on its web site. Requires each manufacturer or distributor that participates in a state health program to submit a report containing advertising and marketing expenditures to the board. Requires the board to make an annual report to the general assembly. Requires a health care practitioner, health plan, hospital, or other institution that receives any type of funding or payment from the state to exclude any person with a financial interest in a manufacturer from participating in decisions that influence the wholesale purchasing of prescription drugs. Allows the attorney general to bring action and impose a penalty. Grants rule-making authority to the board. Prohibits a person from knowingly disclosing or using records that include prescription information containing individual identifying information in order to market a prescribed product. Creates a penalty for disclosing an individual's prescription information containing individual identifying information. Creates the prescription drug ethics cash fund to consist of fees and gifts, grants, and donations collected by the board for the purposes of the "Prescription Drug Ethics Act".

Position Pending review

Current Status Postponed Indefinitely