
SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, March 11, 2025
TIME: Rise of the Senate
PLACE: Senate Lounge - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [51](#)

BY Ujifusa, Mack, Lauria, Urso, Acosta, Murray, Valverde, DiMario, Bell
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES -- PHYSICAL THERAPY COPAY {LC703/1} (Limits copays, coinsurance or office deductibles for services of a physical therapist to the amount authorized for the services of a primary care physician or osteopath on or after January 1, 2026.)
01/23/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services
03/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [346](#)

BY Bell, Ujifusa, Murray, Valverde, Lawson, DiMario, Mack, Euer, Quezada, Kallman
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- THE RHODE ISLAND COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM {LC271/1} (Establishes a single-payer health care insurance system, consolidating public and private payments into a more efficient Medicare-for-all style program, funded by progressive taxes, to reduce health care costs.)
02/21/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services
03/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [463](#)

BY Lauria, Valverde, Kallman, Murray, Sosnowski, Pearson, Gallo, Ujifusa, Appollonio
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- HEALTH CARE ACCESSIBILITY AND QUALITY ASSURANCE ACT {LC1807/1} (Requires each healthcare entity/network plan to compile/report to health insurance commissioner a summary of how the healthcare entity/network plan requires its contracted providers to submit claims for in-network outpatient behavioral health services.)
02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services
03/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [465](#)

BY Bell, Mack, Kallman, Burke, Euer, Quezada, Valverde, Acosta, Ujifusa, Raptakis
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- LIFE INSURANCE POLICIES AND RESERVES {LC289/1} (Prohibits a person from being denied life insurance for preexisting conditions or previous denials.)
02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services
03/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [470](#)

BY Ujifusa, Lauria, Mack, Quezada, Valverde, Acosta, DiMario, Bell

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- CONTRACT WITH HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS {LC1563/1} (Amends the current law in order that a health insurer would not require a physician, to participate in "capitation," or any other "alternative payment model" that creates a financial incentive for a physician to limit medically necessary care.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

03/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [473](#)

BY Lawson, Lauria, Murray, Sosnowski, Britto, DiMario, Valverde

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES {LC2078/1} (Extends coverage for treatment of pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute onset neuropsychiatric syndrome by removing the sunset date of December 31, 2025, and mandating such coverage.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

03/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [477](#)

BY Britto, Zurier, DiPalma, Tikoian, Urso, Lawson, Gallo, Euer, McKenney, DiMario

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PRESCRIPTION DRUG BENEFITS {LC1403/1} (Includes any costs paid by an enrollee or on behalf of the enrollee by a third party when calculating an enrollee's overall contribution to any out-of-pocket maximum or cost sharing requirement under a health plan as of January 1, 2026.)

02/26/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

03/07/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [707](#)

BY Lauria, Felag, Kallman, Valverde, Euer, Ujifusa, DiMario, Mack, Lawson, Pearson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- RHODE ISLAND INDIVIDUAL MARKET AFFORDABILITY ACT OF 2025 {LC1683/1} (Creates the Rhode Island Individual Market Affordability Act of 2024 to help reduce out-of-pocket costs for low- and moderate-income consumers enrolled in the health insurance coverage through the Rhode Island health benefits exchange.)

03/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

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TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, in order for it to be provided to the members of the committee at the hearing and to be included in the meeting records.

TELEVISION AND LIVESTREAM INFORMATION

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