
SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, April 1, 2025

TIME: Rise of the Senate

PLACE: Senate Lounge - State House

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [166](#)

BY Britto, Lawson, Murray, Tikoian, Urso, Dimitri, LaMountain, Ciccone, Ruggerio
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES {LC1055/1} (Amends the definition of the practice of pharmacy to include the administration of all forms of influenza immunizations to individuals of any age pursuant to a valid prescription or prescriber approved protocol.)

02/05/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [197](#)

BY Zurier, Ujifusa, Lauria, Sosnowski, Gallo, Lawson, Tikoian
ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS INSURANCE POLICIES {LC126/1} (Prohibits an insurance company from imposing any cost-sharing requirements for any diagnostic or supplemental breast examinations.)

02/07/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [467](#)

BY DiPalma, Ujifusa, Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- WHOLESALE PRESCRIPTION DRUG IMPORTATION PROGRAM {LC1213/1} (Establishes the Wholesale Prescription Drug Importation Program for the importation of wholesale prescription drugs from Canada, to provide savings to Rhode Island consumers.)

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

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [476](#)

BY Kallman, Lauria, Zurier, Mack, Murray, Ujifusa, Bell, DiMario

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES {LC1476/1} (Amends current law so that initial contraceptive prescriptions would no longer be limited to a 3-month supply.)

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

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [483](#)

BY Lauria, Valverde, Kallman, Murray, Felag, DiMario, Bissailon, Thompson, Urso, Acosta ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES {LC1776/1} (Authorizes pharmacists to dispense a one-time refill, for up to one hundred days under certain specified conditions.)

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

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [683](#)

BY Valverde, Lauria, Murray, Thompson, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS --

COLLABORATIVE PHARMACY PRACTICE {LC1783/1} (Expands the existing law regarding collaborative practice agreements to allow non-physician healthcare providers to enter into such agreements.)

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

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [685](#)

BY Valverde, Lauria, Murray, Thompson, Kallman, Appollonio

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES

{LC1382/1} (Adds new sections that set forth conditions for pharmacists to prescribe tobacco cessation drug therapies, including education approved by state board of pharmacy. The cessation therapies to be covered by all health insurance carriers on or after 1/1/26.)

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

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [692](#)

BY Murray

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES

{LC2231/1} (Authorizes a pharmacy technician or pharmacy intern to perform technology-assisted dispensing process validation for medications prepared for distribution by another pharmacy technician or intern within an institutional pharmacy.)

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

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [699](#)

(Dept. of Health)

BY Britto, DiMario, Sosnowski, Murray, Patalano, LaMountain, Felag, DiPalma, Valverde

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHARMACIES

{LC1418/1} (Includes the COVID-19 immunization under the consent and reporting provisions required for pharmacy administered immunizations to individuals between nine (9) and eighteen (18) years of age.)

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

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [795](#)

BY DiMario, Valverde, Lawson, Murray, Euer, Kallman, Britto, Lauria

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT {LC1819/1} (Increases the maximum fill for non-opioid, non-narcotic controlled substances found in schedule II, so that a ninety-day (90) supply may be dispensed at any one time.)

03/14/2025 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

03/28/2025 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 3:00 PM on Tuesday, April 1, 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.

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