
SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: Tuesday, March 5, 2024

TIME: 5:00 PM

PLACE: Senate Lounge - State House

SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2255](#)

BY Murray, Pearson, Miller, Sosnowski, Bissaillon, Valverde, Lauria, Quezada, Tikoian, Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- ACCIDENT AND SICKNESS

INSURANCE POLICIES -- INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR PREVENTION OF HIV

INFECTION {LC4687/1} (Eliminates prior authorization or step therapy requirement for prescriptions for any HIV prevention drug/prohibits the requirement of any copayment or the meeting of any deductible to obtain the prescription covered by the contract, plan, or policy.)

02/06/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

02/09/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/12/2024 Meeting postponed

02/12/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

02/15/2024 Committee recommended measure be held for further study

03/01/2024 Scheduled for consideration

SCHEDULED FOR HEARING AND/OR CONSIDERATION

Senate Bill No. [2013](#)

BY DiPalma, Miller, DiMario, Valverde, Lawson, Lauria, Ujifusa, E Morgan

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- PRESCRIPTION DRUG COST

PROTECTION {LC3776/1} (Prohibits the state, participating ERISA or any health plan from purchasing referenced drugs for a cost higher than the referenced rate.)

01/10/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2378](#)

BY DiMario, Lauria, Bissaillon, DiPalma, Kallman, Euer, Valverde, Murray, Miller, Ujifusa

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- UNIFORM CONTROLLED

SUBSTANCES ACT {LC4037/1} (Requires the department of health to amend its rules and regulations that allow for DEA-registered pharmacies to transfer electronic prescriptions at a patient's request.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2380](#)

BY Bissaillon, DiMario, Gallo

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES -- MEDICAL ASSISTANCE -- PRESCRIPTION DRUGS {LC4628/1} (Prohibits prior authorization or a step therapy protocol for the prescription of a nonpreferred medication on their drug formulary used to assess or treat an enrollee's bipolar disorder, schizophrenia or schizotypal.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2385](#)

BY Ujifusa, Miller, Murray, Mack, DiMario, Lawson, Valverde, Lauria, DiPalma, Sosnowski

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- THIRD-PARTY HEALTH INSURANCE ADMINISTRATORS -- PRESCRIPTION DRUG COST CONTROL AND TRANSPARENCY {LC4601/1} (Regulates pharmacy benefit managers' policies and practices through rules and regulations promulgated by the office of health insurance commissioner, relating to accurate costs and pricing reporting, restricting discriminatory practices.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2387](#)

BY Ujifusa, Miller, Valverde, Lauria, DiMario, Murray, Mack, Lawson, DiPalma, Zurier

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AFFAIRS AND GOVERNMENT -- OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES {LC4652/1} (Imposes requirements on a managed care organization (MCO) and pharmacy benefit manager (PBM) in order to control Medicaid prescription drug prices.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

Senate Bill No. [2395](#)

BY Ujifusa, Miller, Valverde, Murray, Lauria, DiMario, Zurier, Bissaillon, Mack, Lawson

ENTITLED, AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE -- PHARMACY FREEDOM OF CHOICE -- FAIR COMPETITION AND PRACTICES {LC4702/1} (Ensures that independent pharmacies are protected from pharmacy benefit discrimination toward non-affiliated pharmacies and helps protect consumers' ability to choose local, independent pharmacies.)

02/12/2024 Introduced, referred to Senate Health and Human Services

03/01/2024 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration

TESTIMONY SUBMITTAL:

*Written Testimony must be submitted prior to 4:00 PM on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 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

The meeting will be televised by Capitol Television on: Cox Communications, channels 15 and 61 for high definition; i3Broadband (Formerly Full Channel) on 15; and Verizon, on channel 34.

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