

2011 LEGISLATIVE AGENDA

3/31/2011

Bill	House Sponsor/ Bill No.	Status	Senate Sponsor/ Bill No.	Status
<p>RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- HEALTH CARE SERVICES— UTILIZATION REVIEW ACT (PRIOR AUTHORIZATION)</p> <p>This act would authorize an attending physician to designate a qualified provider to provide information to the utilization agent. This act would take effect upon passage. http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/SenateText11/S0475.pdf http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/HouseText11/H5427.pdf</p>	H 5427 Bennett	3/15/2011 House Corps recommended measure be held for further study	S 0475 Sheehan	03/16/2011 Senate HHS recommend ed measure be held for further study
<p>RELATING TO TAXATION - SALES AND USE TAXES - LIABILITY AND COMPUTATION</p> <p>This act would impose a tax on distributors, manufacturers and wholesalers of a soft drink at a rate of one cent (\$0.01) per ounce. This act would take effect upon passage. http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/SenateText11/S0295.pdf http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/HouseText11/H5432.pdf</p>	H 5432 Ajello	03/09/2011 House Finance recommended measure be held for further study	S 0295 Perry	02/16/2011 Introduced, referred to Senate Finance
<p>RELATING TO MOTOR AND OTHER VEHICLES -- MOTOR VEHICLE OFFENSES</p> <p>This act would require the use of an ignition interlock system and would be applicable to individuals convicted of various driving offenses involving drugs or alcohol. This act would take effect upon passage. http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/HouseText11/H5506.pdf</p>	H 5506 Marcello	04/06/2011 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration House Judiciary		
<p>RELATING TO TAXATION - FACILITY AND IMAGING SURCHARGES</p> <p>This act would repeal certain tax surcharges on medical imaging services. This act would take effect upon passage. http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/HouseText11/H5587.pdf</p>	H 5587 Naughton	03/03/2011 Introduced, referred to House Finance		
<p>RELATING TO TAXATION - CREDIT FOR ON-CALL EMERGENCY SERVICES</p> <p>This act would establish a tax credit for physicians who provide on-call emergency services. This act would take effect upon passage. http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/HouseText11/H5620.pdf</p>	H 5620 Naughton	03/03/2011 Introduced, referred to House Finance		

<p>RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY -- TANNING FACILITY SAFETY STANDARDS</p> <p>This act would require the director of the department of health to include, as minimum safety standards for tanning facilities, a prohibition on the use of such facilities by persons younger than eighteen (18) years of age unless prescribed by a physician. This act would take effect on January 1, 2012.</p> <p>http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/HouseText11/H5627.pdf http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/SenateText11/S0106.pdf</p>	<p>H 5627 Naughton</p>	<p>03/23/2011 HEW recommended measure be held for further study</p>	<p>S 0106 Perry</p>	<p>03/23/2011 Senate HHS recommends passage</p>
<p>RELATING TO HEALTH AND SAFETY - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH</p> <p>This act would require all entities that provide professional liability insurance to healthcare professionals and healthcare facilities to report all claims, settlements, judgments and arbitration awards to the department of health. This act would take effect upon passage.</p> <p>http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/HouseText11/H5638.pdf</p>	<p>H 5638 Marcello</p>	<p>House HEW Committee recommended measure be held for further study</p>	<p>S 0299 Ottiano</p>	<p>02/16/2011 Introduced, referred to Senate HHS</p>
<p>RELATING TO FOOD AND DRUGS -- GOOD SAMARITAN OVERDOSE PREVENTION ACT</p> <p>This act would create "The Good Samaritan Overdose Prevention Act" which would exempt from liability any person who administers an opioid antagonist to another person to prevent a drug overdose. This act would take effect upon passage.</p> <p>http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/SenateText11/S0630.pdf http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/HouseText11/H5650.pdf</p>	<p>H 5650 Ferri</p>	<p>04/05/2011 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration House Judiciary</p>	<p>S 0630 Perry</p>	<p>03/10/2011 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary</p>
<p>RELATING TO BUSINESSES AND PROFESSIONS -- PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS</p> <p>This act would grant immunity from liability for gratuitous emergency assistance to state-licensed and federally-credentialed physician assistants, and would allow physician assistants to participate in disaster and emergency care with any available physician supervision or without physician supervision if none is available. This act would take effect upon passage.</p> <p>http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/HouseText11/H5672.pdf http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/SenateText11/S0303.pdf</p>	<p>H 5672 Ferri</p>	<p>03/03/2011 Introduced, referred to House Judiciary</p>	<p>S 0303 Ottiano</p>	<p>03/30/2011 Scheduled for hearing and/or considera- tion HHS</p>
<p>RELATING TO COURTS AND CIVIL PROCEDURE – EVIDENCE (I'M SORRY)</p> <p>This act would provide that expressions of sympathy, statements by a health care provider to a patient or to the patient's family regarding the outcome of such patient's medical care and treatment, including reports of medical/health care errors or unanticipated outcomes as required by or in accordance with JCAHO's standards, and any offers by a health care provider to undertake corrective action to assist the patient would be inadmissible as evidence or an admission of liability in any claim, action or proceeding against the provider. This act would take effect upon passage.</p> <p>http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/HouseText11/H5255.pdf http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/BillText11/SenateText11/S0348.pdf</p>	<p>H 5255 McNamara</p>	<p>03/22/2011 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration, House Judiciary</p>	<p>S 0348 Perry</p>	<p>02/16/2011 Introduced, referred to Senate Judiciary</p>