

Chiropractors (2014 Reg)

As of Sunday, February 16th, three and one half days will remain in the 2014 30-day session. It is anticipated that a budget will finally pass the Senate on Monday and go to the House where the House version of the bill has been stalled for 7 days on a 34 to 34 tie vote. 1074 bills, memorials and constitutional amendments have been introduced. As of Saturday night only 92 bills have passed one chamber and 6 bills have passed two chambers. The next week will be quite busy with both chambers meeting into the wee hours of the night.

Some of these gross receipts tax bills may actually pass. I talked with the superintendent of insurance about meeting after the session to discuss the “discrimination” language and health benefits.

Bill: HB41
Sponsors: Taylor, T. (R1)
Title: GRT DEDUCTION: MEDICAL SERVICES INCOME FROM FEDERAL ENERGY EMPLOYEES PROGRAM
Summary: Expands the GRT deduction at Sec. 7-9-77.1 to include receipts from the Federal Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program for provision of medical and other health services by medical doctors and osteopathic physicians.
Subjects: Taxation and Fees; Health and Medical Practice; Energy Resources and Chemicals
Progress: Introduced
Status: 01/23/2014 – House Taxation and Revenue Committee
History: 01/23/2014—H Introduced and referred to House Taxation & Revenue.
 01/23/2014—H Also referred to House Appropriations & Finance.

Bill: HB118
Sponsors: Gonzales (D42); Cisneros (D6)
Title: GRT DEDUCTION: HEALTH CARE RECEIPTS
Summary: Provides a deduction from gross receipts for payments to a health care practitioner by an individual enrolled in a plan with a managed care provider or health care insurer, provided that the services rendered are within the practitioner’s scope of practice.
Subjects: Health and Medical Practice; Taxation and Fees; Business, Manufacturing and Economic Development
Progress: Introduced
Status: 01/28/2014 – House Taxation and Revenue Committee
History: 01/28/2014—H Introduced and referred to House Taxation & Revenue.
 01/28/2014—H Also referred to House Appropriations & Finance.

Bill: HB284
Sponsors: McMillan (R37)
Title: EQUALIZES COST-SHARING FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS
Summary: Establishes that cost-sharing rates paid for physical or occupational therapy, speech-language pathology, or chiropractic services will not exceed the cost-sharing rates paid for primary care.
Subjects: Health and Medical Practice; Business, Manufacturing and Economic Development; Insurance
Progress: Introduced
Status: 01/30/2014 – House Rules Committee
History: 01/30/2014—H Introduced and referred to House Rules.

No Message from the governor

Bill: SB329
Sponsors: McSorley (D16)
Title: PROVIDES FOR CERTIFICATION OF ADVANCED PRACTICE CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIANS
Summary: Refines definitions and requirements related to chiropractic practice and adds a requirement that at

least one member of the chiropractic board be a Level One or Level Two Certified Advanced Practice Chiropractic Physician.

Subjects: Health and Medical Practice; Insurance; Labor
Progress: 1st House: Referred to Committee
Status: 02/05/2014 – Senate Committee on Committees
History: 02/05/2014—S Introduced and referred to Senate Committee on Committees.
02/05/2014—S Also referred to Senate Public Affairs.
02/05/2014—S Also referred to Senate Judiciary.

No Governor Message

Bill: **SJM6**
Sponsors: Candelaria (D26)
Title: HEALTH CARE WORK FORCE WORKING GROUP
Summary: (For the Legislative Health and Human Services Committee) Asks the Secretary of Health to convene a working group to receive input to review the effectiveness of existing health care tax incentives for maintaining and expanding the state's health care work force.
Subjects: Health and Medical Practice; Taxation and Fees; State Affairs and State Agencies; Human Services; Business, Manufacturing and Economic Development; Interim Studies and Interim Committees
Progress: 2nd House: Reported from Committees
Status: 02/15/2014 – House Calendar
History: 02/10/2014—S Opened for floor debate.
02/10/2014—S Passed 39-0.
02/11/2014—H Received in the House and referred to Health, Government & Indian Affairs.
02/15/2014—H Reported Do Pass by House Health, Government & Indian Affairs.
Scheduled: 02/17/2014—House Calendar, 11:00 a.m., House Chamber