



# Governor's Council on Disability

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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Welcome to Issue 8 of the Legislative Update.

- The weekly Legislative Update provides information on disability related bills. For more details on a specific bill, please click on the bill number.
- If there has been action on a bill in the current week, the status is listed in red.
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Note: When "incapacitated," "handicapped," etc. appear in a bill description, it reflects the terminology of the legislation, not the Governor's Council on Disability.

### Abbreviations

HB .....	House of Representatives
Bill .....	
HA .....	House Amendment
HS.....	House Substitute
HR .....	House Resolution
HJR .....	House Joint Resolution
HCS.....	House Committee Substitute
SB.....	Senate Bill
SCS .....	Senate Committee Substitute
SA.....	Senate Amendment
SS .....	Senate Substitute
SR.....	Senate Resolution
SJR.....	Senate Joint Resolution
CCR.....	Conference Committee Report
CCS.....	Conference Committee Substitute

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## ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY

[HB 205](#)     [Kelley](#)     [Issue 1](#)

This bill requires insurance companies to cover hearing aids

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 222](#)     [Kelley](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes a statewide hearing aid distribution program

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

\*[SB 101](#)     [Riddle](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes a statewide hearing aid distribution program

**Status:** 3/4/19 Formal Perfection Calendar (S)

**Committee:** Seniors, Families and Children

## CRIME

[HB 166](#)     [McCreery](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Changes the laws regarding unlawful actions by persons knowingly infected with communicable diseases

**Status:** 2/4/19 Hearing Completed (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Health and Mental Health Policy

[HB 167](#)     [Rehder](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Changes the laws regarding unlawful actions by persons knowingly infected with communicable diseases

**Status:** 2/4/19 Hearing Completed (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Health and Mental Health Policy

[HB 224](#)     [Ellebracht](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Provides that a person may be charged with promoting a suicide attempt or voluntary manslaughter if such person is convicted of abusing certain persons and such conduct significantly contributed to the suicide or suicide attempt

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 302](#)     [Hicks](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies weapon offenses by decriminalizing possession of a firearm silencer by persons who obtain a medical certificate for significant hearing loss

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 341](#)     [Hicks](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Allows certain marijuana-related offenses and violations to be expunged if the offenses or violations occurred in Missouri prior to the issuance of a patient identification card

**Status:** 2/14/19 HCS Referred to Rules-Administrative Oversight Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Rules-Administrative Oversight

\*[HB 353](#)     [Hannegan](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Provides that a person cannot be sentenced to death if he or she raises the issue that he or she suffered from a serious mental illness at the time of the commission of the offense

**Status:** 2/27/19 Referred to Health and Mental Health Policy Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Health and Mental Health Policy

\*[HB 547](#)     [Griffith](#)             [Issue 2](#)

Requires each judicial circuit to establish a veterans' treatment court

**Status:** 2/25/19 Reported Do Pass by Committee (H)

\*[SB 107](#)     [Hoskins](#)             [Issue 1](#)

Modifies law regarding service dogs

**Status:** 2/25/19 SCS Voted Do Pass by Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Agriculture, Food Production and Outdoor Resources

[SB 237](#)     [White](#)             [Issue 2](#)

Modifies postconviction treatment programs

**Status:** 2/7/19 Second Read and Referred to Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence

[SB 462](#)     [Arthur](#)

Provides a procedure by which a defendant may be found to be not eligible for the death penalty due to serious mental illness

This act provides procedures and standards by which a defendant may be found to be not eligible for the death penalty due to a serious mental illness if such illness was present at the time of the commission of the offense. A diagnosis of such serious mental illness may be made at any time prior to, on, or after the day of the commission of the offense and a defendant may raise the issue of a serious mental illness at any time to exclude him or her from eligibility for the sentence of death. If the defense raises the matter of the defendant's serious mental illness the court shall order an evaluation. Any information taken from such evaluation shall be protected and the evaluator shall not be called as a witness against the defendant, unless the defense first presents such information at a hearing. This act provides that if a defendant raises the matter of his or her serious mental illness and the state contests the application, the defense shall be entitled to a pretrial hearing and determination on eligibility. Such a motion shall have a rebuttable presumption that the condition significantly impaired the person's capacity at the time of the commission of the offense. A person's pleading of not guilty due to mental disease or defect or incapacity to stand trial, or a finding after such a plea that the person does not suffer from mental disease or defect or has capacity to stand trial, shall not preclude such person from any of the procedures provided by this act.

**Status:** 2/27/19 Introduced and First Read (S)

**[HB 54](#)**      **[Bangert](#)**      **[Issue 1](#)**

Requires school districts to provide instruction in cursive writing

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

**[HB 342](#)**      **[Washington](#)**      **[Issue 1](#)**

Modifies provisions relating to prefilled epinephrine auto syringes in schools

**Status:** 2/7/19 Referred to Elementary and Secondary Education Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Elementary and Secondary Education

**[\\*HB 485](#)**      **[Dogan](#)**      **[Issue 1](#)**

Requires the state board of education to modify accreditation standards for special school districts

**Status:** 3/5/19 Executive Session Scheduled (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Elementary and Secondary Education

**[HB 506](#)**      **[Carter](#)**      **[Issue 3](#)**

Creates the Every Child Can Learn Act to require turnaround options for certain underperforming schools, create personalized learning plans for certain students, address student promotion, and require letter grades for public schools

**Status:** 1/31/19 Referred to Elementary and Secondary Education Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Elementary and Secondary Education

**[HB 631](#)**      **[Rone](#)**      **[Issue 3](#)**

Creates the Alternative Disability Services Act

**Status:** 2/19/19 Action Postponed (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Special Committee on Student Accountability

**[HB 852](#)**      **[Pfausch](#)**

Modifies provisions relating to school district policies on youth suicide awareness and prevention

**Status:** 2/11/19 Second Read (H)

**[HB 1023](#)**      **[Mackey](#)**

Modifies provisions relating to seclusion and restraint policies in public schools

This bill defines "restraint" and "seclusion" and requires school districts to include in policy a prohibition on the use of restraint or seclusion, for any purpose other than the health and safety of students, teachers, and staff members. The bill requires that before July 1, 2020 each school district policy shall include reporting requirements for any occurrence of restraint or seclusion as outlined in the bill. The reporting requirements include parental notification, right to review a report, file a complaint of dissatisfaction, and appeal report findings as detailed in bill. The bill also requires the board of education for the school district to hold hearings on filed complaints, and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education to, upon appeal, issue a report substantiating a parental claim of dissatisfaction or finding a claim unsubstantiated.

**Status:** 2/25/19 Second Read (H)

**[SB 73](#)**      **[O'Laughlin](#)**      **[Issue 1](#)**

Requires each local school district and charter school to have on file a policy for reading intervention plans for any pupils of the district and charter schools in grades kindergarten through four

**Status:** 2/12/19 Hearing Completed (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Education

[\\*SB 249](#)     [Koenig](#)             [Issue 2](#)

Creates the Alternative Disability Services Act

**Status:** 3/5/19 Hearing Scheduled (S)

**Assigned Committee:** General Laws

[\\*SB 272](#)     [Emery](#)             [Issue 2](#)

Excludes any money reimbursed to school districts for the costs of special education from the calculation of average daily attendance

**Status:** 2/26/19 Hearing Completed (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Education

[SB 349](#)     [O'Laughlin](#)             [Issue 5](#)

Requires each local school district and charter school to have a policy for reading intervention plans for any pupils in grades kindergarten through four

**Status:** 2/21/19 Second Read and Referred to Government Reform Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Government Reform

## EMPLOYMENT

[HB 48](#)     [Bangert](#)             [Issue 1](#)

Establishes a presumption that an emergency worker diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder incurred the disorder in the course of employment as an emergency worker

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 61](#)     [Unsicker](#)             [Issue 1](#)

Repeals a provision relating to waivers by blind employees

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 89](#)     [Green](#)             [Issue 1](#)

Creates a tort cause of action for injuries that result from harassment in the workplace

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 241](#)     [Neely](#)             [Issue 1](#)

Requires certain training and testing accommodations for Commercial Driver's License applicants who are deaf or hard of hearing

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 517](#)     [Unsicker](#)             [Issue 1](#)

Requires state agencies to support competitive integrated employment for persons with disabilities

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[\\*HB 646](#)     [Rowland](#)                      [Issue 3](#)

Modifies provisions relating to sheltered workshops

**Status:** 2/26/19 Reported Do Pass-Not Consent (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Consent and House Procedure

[HB 716](#)     [Schroer](#)                              [Issue 4](#)

Modifies provisions relating to workers' compensation for certain employees

**Status:** 1/30/19 Second Read (H)

[HR 19](#)     [Unsicker](#)                              [Issue 3](#)

Urges state entities to engage in practices that encourage disability inclusion

**Status:** 1/10/19 Offered (H)

[\\*SB 156](#)     [Wallingford](#)                      [Issue 1](#)

Creates new provisions relating to workers' compensation proceedings

**Status:** 2/28/19 Voted Do Pass by Committee (S)

**Committee:** Small Business and Industry

[SB 162](#)     [Schupp](#)                                 [Issue 1](#)

Creates new provisions of law relating to leave from employment

**Status:** 1/31/19 Second Read and Referred to Small Business and Industry Committee (S)

**Committee:** Small Business and Industry

[SB 212](#)     [Sifton](#)                                      [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to occupational diseases under workers' compensation laws

**Status:** 1/31/19 Second Read and Referred to Small Business and Industry Committee (S)

**Committee:** Small Business and Industry

[\\*SB 233](#)     [Sater](#)                                      [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to sheltered workshops

**Status:** 2/27/19 Hearing Completed (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Seniors, Families and Children

[\\*SB 234](#)     [White](#)                                      [Issue 2](#)

Enacts provisions relating to disability accommodations for commercial driver's license applicants

**Status:** 2/28/19 Hearing Completed (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety

[SB 281](#)     [Brown](#)                                      [Issue 3](#)

Creates new provisions relating to occupational diseases diagnosed in first responders

**Status:** 2/13/19 Hearing Scheduled But Not Held (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Insurance and Banking

[\\*SB 316](#)     [Burlison](#)                     [Issue 4](#)

Modifies provisions on permanent total disability benefits

**Status:** 2/20/19 Hearing Completed (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Insurance and Banking

## FUNDING/TAX RELIEF

[\\*HB 33](#)     [Stacy](#)                             [Issue 1](#)

Creates a new funding mechanism for Bryce's Law

**Status:** 3/5/19 Hearing Scheduled (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Special Committee on Student Accountability

[HB 34](#)     [Stacy](#)                             [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 176](#)     [Washington](#)                     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions regarding property tax relief for senior citizens

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 227](#)     [Swan](#)                                 [Issue 1](#)

Specifies that all new and existing tax credits shall be approved by the General Assembly as part of the budget process

**Status:** 2/18/19 Withdrawn (H)

[HB 256](#)     [Wood](#)                                 [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to certain donation options when applying for a motor vehicle registration and when applying for a driver's license

**Status:** 1/9/18 Introduced and First Read (H)

[\\*HB 476](#)     [Bailey](#)                                 [Issue 1](#)

Creates a new funding mechanism for Bryce's Law

**Status:** 3/5/19 Executive Session Scheduled (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Special Committee on Student Accountability

[\\*HB 478](#)     [Christofanelli](#)                     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program

**Status:** 2/25/19 Reported Do Pass by Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Rules-Administrative Oversight

[HB 600](#)     [Bondon](#)

Modifies provisions relating to Medicaid per diem reimbursement rates

This bill entitles any intermediate care facility or skilled nursing facility participating in MO HealthNet that incurs total capital expenditures in excess of \$2,000 per bed to obtain a recalculation of its Medicaid per diem reimbursement rate based on its additional capital costs or all costs incurred during the fiscal year during which such capital expenditures were made.

**Status:** 3/4/19 Hearing Scheduled (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Health and Mental Health Policy

[HB 665](#)     [Gregory](#)                     [Issue 3](#)

Modifies provisions relating to tax relief

**Status:** 2/20/19 Referred to Economic Development Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Economic Development

[HB 712](#)     [Morris](#)                             [Issue 4](#)

Exempts certain disabled veterans from the state sales tax law

**Status:** 1/29/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 915](#)     [Carpenter](#)                     [Issue 6](#)

Authorizes a tax credit for businesses owned by minorities, women, or service-disabled veterans who obtain a medical marijuana dispensary license

**Status:** 2/13/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 1013](#)     [Roberts](#)                             [Issue 7](#)

Reauthorizes provisions relating to the Disability Modification Tax Credit

**Status:** 2/21/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 1018](#)     [Lavender](#)

Specifies that all new and existing tax credits shall be approved by the General Assembly as part of the budget process

Currently, any new tax credit other than the Senior Citizens Property Tax Credit cannot be issued or certified for any tax year unless the estimate of the credits has been reviewed and approved by a majority of the Senate Appropriations Committee and the House Budget Committee. This bill requires any new and existing tax credit to be reviewed and approved by a constitutional majority in both houses of the General Assembly before it can be issued or certified.

**Status:** 2/25/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 1060](#)     [Fitzwater](#)

Reauthorizes provisions relating to the Disability Modification Tax Credit

This bill extends the expiration date of the Disability Modification Tax Credit to December 31, 2025.

**Status:** 2/27/19 Second Read (H)

[HJR 22](#)     [Carpenter](#)                     [Issue 2](#)



Proposes a constitutional amendment exempting from taxation certain real and personal property owned by a veteran with a total service-connected disability

**Status:** 1/14/19 Second Read (H)

[HJR 30](#)     [Anderson](#)                      [Issue 6](#)

Proposes a constitutional amendment exempting from taxation certain real and personal property owned by certain disabled veterans

**Status:** 2/4/19 Second Read (H)

[SB 11](#)     [Cunningham](#)                      [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to Medicaid per diem reimbursement rates

**Status:** 2/21/19 Hearing Completed (S)

\*SS SCS [SB 28](#)     [Hegeman](#)                      [Issue 1](#)

Places a cap on the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit

**Status:** 2/26/19 Second Read (H)

[SB 29](#)     [Hegeman](#)                      [Issue 1](#)

Extends the sunset on certain healthcare provider reimbursement allowances and modifies the managed care organization reimbursement allowance

**Status:** 2/21/19 Hearing Completed (S)

[SB 160](#)     [Koenig](#)                      [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program

**Status:** 2/12/19 Placed on Informal Calendar (S)

\*[SB 208](#)     [Wallingford](#)                      [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the Senior Citizens Property Tax Credit

**Status:** 2/26/19 Voted Do Pass by Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Ways and Means

[SB 269](#)     [Eigel](#)                      [Issue 2](#)

Modifies provisions relating to low-income housing tax credits

**Status:** 2/7/19 Second Read and Referred to General Laws Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** General Laws

[SB 481](#)     [Hoskins](#)

Extends a tax credit for renovations for disability access

Current law provides for a tax credit for the costs of making all or a portion of a taxpayer's dwelling accessible to an individual with a disability who permanently resides with the taxpayer, with such tax credit to expire on December 31, 2019. This act extends the tax credit until December 31, 2025.

**Status:** 2/28/19 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 489](#)     [Rizzo](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the Senior Citizens Property Tax Relief tax credit

This act modifies the maximum upper income limit for a taxpayer to receive the Senior Citizens Property Tax Relief tax credit from \$27,000, or \$30,000 in the case of a homestead owned and occupied for the entire year by the claimant, to \$45,000 and \$48,000, respectively.

**Status:** [2/28/19 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

## HEALTH CARE/PERSONAL ASSISTANCE

[\\*HB 138](#)     [Kidd](#)                     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes "Simon's Law," which changes the laws regarding life-sustaining or nonbeneficial treatment policies of health care facilities

**Status:** [2/25/19 First Read](#) (S)

[HB 183](#)     [Trent](#)                     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to public assistance benefits

**Status:** [1/16/19 Referred to Children and Families Committee](#) (H)

[HB 219](#)     [Wood](#)

Changes the sunset on the Ticket to Work Health Assurance Program

This bill extends the sunset provision of the Ticket to Work Health Assurance Program from August 28, 2019 to August 28, 2025.

**Status:** [2/28/19 First Read](#) (S)

[HB 226](#)     [Swan](#)                     [Issue 1](#)

Removes the sunset on advanced practice registered nursing telehealth programs

**Status:** [1/10/19 Second Read](#) (H)

[HB 233](#)     [Helms](#)                     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes a pilot program to allow MO HealthNet participants to receive services through direct primary care arrangements

**Status:** [1/10/19 Second Read](#) (H)

[HB 238](#)     [Schroer](#)                     [Issue 1](#)

This bill prevents the state government from sharing medical marijuana user or registry info with the federal government

**Status:** [1/10/19 Second Read](#) (H)

[HB 245](#)     [Neely](#)                     [Issue 1](#)

Requires insurance companies to cover fertility preservation procedures for insureds who are at least 18 years old and are diagnosed with cancer but have not started cancer treatment

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 252](#)     [Morris](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the MO Rx plan

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 308](#)     [Walker](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the Mo HealthNet Buy-In for Workers with Disabilities Program

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 377](#)     [Kelly](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies the laws in regards to personal care assistance services

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

\*[HB 399](#)     [Basye](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Changes the laws regarding health care for persons with disabilities

**Status:** 2/25/19 Reported Do Pass by Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Rules-Administrative Oversight

[HB 405](#)     [Messenger](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the Missouri Freedom to Choose Health Care Act

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

\*[HB 410](#)     [Gregory](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Allows physical therapists to treat patients without a prescription

**Status:** 2/28/19 Reported Do Pass by Committee H)

\*[HB 466](#)     [Wood](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Allows structured family care giving as a covered service under MO HealthNet, subject to the approval of federal waivers

**Status:** 2/28/19 Reported Do Pass by Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Rules-Administrative Oversight

[HB 569](#)     [Wood](#)     [Issue 2](#)

Changes provisions of law relating to personal care assistance services

**Status:** 1/16/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 642](#)     [Appelbaum](#)     [Issue 3](#)

Requires the Department of Health and Senior Services to promulgate regulations consistent with CDC guidelines for prescribing opioids for chronic pain

**Status:** 1/24/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 663](#)     [Messenger](#)     [Issue 3](#)

Modifies provisions regarding prosthetic and orthotic devices

**Status:** 1/24/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 669](#)     [Green](#)     [Issue 3](#)

Modifies provisions for MO HealthNet coverage for incarcerated individuals

**Status:** 1/28/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 771](#)     [Dogan](#)     [Issue 5](#)

Prohibits certain selective abortions relating to sex, race, or Down Syndrome

**Status:** 2/4/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 802](#)     [Kendrick](#)     [Issue 5](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the MO Rx Plan

**Status:** 2/5/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 808](#)     [Neely](#)     [Issue 5](#)

Requires insurance companies, including MO HealthNet, to cover medically necessary dental procedures that are a result of cancer treatments

**Status:** 2/5/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 918](#)     [Walker](#)     [Issue 6](#)

Adds services provided by community health workers to covered MO HealthNet services

**Status:** 2/13/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 1102](#)     [Roberts](#)

Requires the MO HealthNet benefits of offenders in correctional facilities and jails to be suspended rather than terminated

This bill allows a person who is incarcerated and who is receiving MO HealthNet benefits at the time of incarceration to have his or her benefits temporarily suspended for the duration of the incarceration. Upon release, his or her benefits will be restored.

**Status:** 2/28/19 Second Read (H)

[\\*SB 45](#)     [Hoskins](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Enacts provisions relating to health care for persons with disabilities

**Status:** 2/21/19 SCS Reported Do Pass by Committee (S)

[\\*SB 70](#)     [Hough](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to personal care assistance services

**Status:** 2/21/19 Hearing Completed (S)

**Committee:** Appropriations

[\\*SB 76](#)     [Sater](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Requires certain MO HealthNet participants to comply with work and community engagement requirements

**Status:** 2/27/19 Placed on Informal Calendar (S)

[SB 77](#)     [Sater](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Requires the Department of Social Services to apply for a global waiver for MO HealthNet

**Status:** 1/22/19 Second Read and Referred to Seniors, Families and Children Committee (S)

**Committee:** Seniors, Families and Children

[SB 78](#)     [Sater](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the Missouri Rx plan

**Status:** 2/13/19 Voted Do Pass by Committee (S)

**Committee:** Seniors, Families and Children

[SB 127](#)     [Sater](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Requires the Department of Health and Senior Services to conduct a study regarding the importation of certain prescription drugs by the state

**Status:** 1/23/19 Second Read and Referred to Seniors, Families and Children Committee (S)

**Committee:** Seniors, Families and Children

[SB 128](#)     [Sater](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to consumer-directed services in the MO HealthNet program

**Status:** 2/21/19 Hearing Completed (S)

**Committee:** Appropriations

[\\*SB 232](#)     [Sater](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Extends the expiration date of the Ticket to Work Health Assurance Program

**Status:** 2/27/19 Voted Do Pass by Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Seniors, Families and Children

[SB 235](#)     [White](#)     [Issue 5](#)

Requires health insurance policies to provide coverage for hearing instruments and related services for enrollees under the age of 18

**Status:** 2/7/19 Second Read and Referred to Health and Pensions Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Health and Pensions

[SB 310](#)     [Arthur](#)     [Issue 4](#)

Enacts provisions relating to prescription drug costs

**Status:** 2/14/19 Second Read and Referred to Seniors, Families and Children Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Seniors, Families and Children

[\\*SB 362](#)     [Riddle](#)     [Issue 5](#)

Adds structured family caregiving for certain MO HealthNet participants and modifies provisions relating to personal care assistance services

**Status:** 2/21/19 Second Read and Referred to Health and Pensions Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Health and Pensions

[\\*SB 393](#)     [Hough](#)     [Issue 7](#)

Relating to medical assistance for certain offenders

**Status:** 2/28/19 Second Read and Referred to Seniors, Families and Children Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Seniors, Families and Children

[SB 406](#)      [Wallingford](#)                      [Issue 7](#)

Establishes "Simon's Law" regarding life-sustaining treatment policies

**Status:** 2/28/19 Second Read and Referred to Health and Pensions Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Health and Pensions

[SB 432](#)      [Sifton](#)

Modifies the Ticket to Work Health Assurance Program

The Ticket to Work Health Assurance Program provides medical assistance through MO HealthNet for employed disabled persons who meet certain qualifications, including asset limits and earned, net, and gross income calculations. Under current law, disabled individuals whose income exceeds one hundred percent of the federal poverty level (FPL) pay a premium for participation in the program. If an eligible person's employer offers employer-sponsored health insurance and the Department of Social Services determines the employer-sponsored insurance is more cost effective, the Department will instead pay that person's costs for the employer-sponsored health insurance.

This act changes the program in the following ways: (1) excludes retirement accounts from asset limit calculations; (2) modifies the income calculation from a net/gross calculation to a broader definition that would consider income for those disabled persons with incomes up to 250% FPL, with earned income of the disabled worker from 250 to 300% FPL disregarded, and retaining the requirement that persons with incomes over 100% FPL pay a premium; (3) removes all earned income of the disabled worker from the list of disregards in income determinations; (4) adds to the list of disregards the first \$50,000 of earned income of a spouse; (5) if the Department elects to pay the person's costs of employer-sponsored health insurance, MO HealthNet assistance shall be provided as a secondary or supplemental policy for only personal care assistance services and non-emergency medical transportation; (6) the Department shall provide an annual report to the General Assembly concerning the number of participants and outreach and education efforts; and (7) the expiration provision for the program of August 28, 2019, has been changed to August 28, 2022.

**Status:** 2/25/19 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 438](#)      [Brown](#)

Modifies provisions relating to consumer-directed services vendors

This act establishes a 5-year moratorium on the acceptance of any provider agreements between the Department of Health and Senior Services and new consumer-directed services vendors.

**Status:** 2/25/19 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SB 441](#)      [Hough](#)

Modifies provisions relating to certain MO HealthNet home and community-based services

This act modifies service plans of participants in the home and community-based services authorized by the Division of Senior and Disability Services within the Department of Health and Senior Services from maximum numbers of units of services to maximum monthly cost allowances, as determined by an assessment of the participant. The Department shall develop an interactive assessment tool for utilization by the Division when implementing the assessment and authorization process.

**Status:** [2/25/19 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

[SB 449](#)     [Sater](#)

Requires health carriers to offer a certain proportion of their health benefit plans with flat-fee copayments for prescription drug benefits

This act defines "flat-fee drug copayment plan" as a health benefit plan that utilizes a pre-deductible flat-fee copayment structure for the entire drug benefit at all tiers, and does not require a deductible or any coinsurance amount with regard to drug benefits. No later than January 1, 2020, each health carrier shall ensure that no less than 25% of health benefit plans it offers within each service area and at each metal level, as defined by law, are flat-fee drug copayment plans. If a carrier offers fewer than 4 health benefit plans within a service area or within a service area and metal level, the carrier shall ensure that at least one plan offered is a flat-fee drug copayment plan. Copayment structures for flat-fee drug copayment plans shall be reasonably graduated and proportionally related in all tier levels such that the copayment structure as a whole does not discriminate against or discourage the enrollment of individuals with significant health care needs. Carriers shall clearly and appropriately name all flat-fee drug copayment plans to aid consumers and sponsors in selecting a health benefit plan. Carriers shall market flat-fee drug copayment plans in the same manner as other plans. With regard to group plans, carriers shall ensure that each group or plan sponsor has the option to purchase a flat-fee drug copayment plan.

**Status:** [2/26/19 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

## LEGAL RIGHTS/RESPONSIBILITIES

[HB 285](#)     [Franks Jr.](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Creates civil rights for homeless persons

**Status:** [1/10/19 Second Read](#) (H)

[\\*HB 354](#)     [Plocher](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Changes the law regarding the financial protection of vulnerable populations

**Status:** [2/25/19 First Read](#) (S)

[\\*HB 368](#)     [McGaugh](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies voting procedures for absentee voting and voter identification

**Status:** [2/27/19 Hearing Completed](#) (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Elections and Elected Officials Committee

**\*[HB 567](#)**     [Hicks](#)     [Issue 2](#)

Provides that placement of a child in an adoptive home shall not be delayed or denied on the basis that a prospective adoptive parent has a medical marijuana card or works in the medical marijuana industry

**Status:** 2/28/19 Referred to Children and Families Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Children and Families

[HB 617](#)     [Ellington](#)     [Issue 3](#)

Requires election authorities to make available at least one electronic voting machine per polling location for blind or visually impaired voters at an election in order to comply with federal law

**Status:** 1/31/19 Referred to Elections and Elected Officials Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Elections and Elected Officials

**\*[HB 818](#)**     [Knight](#)     [Issue 5](#)

Modifies provisions relating to venue in guardianship and conservatorship proceedings

**Status:** 2/28/19 Referred to Judiciary Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Judiciary

[HB 911](#)     [Mitten](#)     [Issue 6](#)

Modifies provisions relating to unlawful discriminatory practices

**Status:** 2/13/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 1014](#)     [Price](#)

Requires election authorities to make available at least one electronic voting machine per polling location for disabled voters at an election in order to comply with federal law

**Status:** 2/21/19 Second Read (H)

[HJR 5](#)     [Merideth](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies voter eligibility and creates provisions for early voting and automatic voter registration

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[SB 142](#)     [Eigel](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions of the Senior Savings Protection Act

**Status:** 2/6/19 Hearing Completed (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Seniors, Families and Children

[SB 191](#)     [Schupp](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to unlawful discriminatory practices in housing

**Status:** 1/31/19 Second Read and Referred to Small Business and Industry Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Small Business and Industry

**\*[SB 230](#)**     [Crawford](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to venue in guardianship and conservatorship proceedings

**Status:** 2/28/19 SCS Reported Do Pass by Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Seniors, Families and Children



SB 486     Williams

Modifies provisions relating to the protection of vulnerable populations

This act modifies provisions relating to the protection of vulnerable populations.

## SENIOR SAVINGS PROTECTION ACT

Under current law, only qualified individuals, as defined by law, are permitted to:

- Notify authorities of the financial exploitation of senior citizens or persons with certain disabilities; or
- Refuse disbursement of funds from the account of a senior citizen or person with a certain disability.

This act modifies the definition of "qualified individual" to include broker dealers and investment advisers in addition to persons associated with a broker-dealer or investment adviser.

Current law permits a qualified individual to notify certain persons connected with a senior citizen or person with a certain disability of suspected financial exploitation of such person. This act additionally permits an investment adviser representative to make such notifications. Additionally, the Department of Health and Senior Services and the Commissioner of Securities may provide information regarding the senior citizen or person with a certain disability to the qualified individual or investment adviser representative upon request.

Current law allows a qualified individual to refuse a request for disbursement from the account of a senior citizen or person with a certain disability if the qualified individual reasonably believes that the disbursement will result in financial exploitation of the person. This act additionally permits refusal of any request for a transaction from the account of such a person.

The act provides that in the event of a refusal of a disbursement or transaction from the account of a senior citizen or person with a certain disability, a qualified individual shall notify the Department of Health and Senior Services and the Commissioner of Securities within two business days. Current law requires notification within three business days. Additionally, the act requires the qualified individual to send a written notice, in the manner described in the act, to the qualified adult within two business days.

The act allows the Commissioner of Securities and the Director of the Department of Health and Senior Services to enter an order extending any refusal of a disbursement or transaction for the time necessary to protect the senior citizen or person with a certain disability. Subsequent to issuing such an order, the respective agency shall conduct a review every 30 days to determine if the extending order shall remain in effect.

The act extends immunity from any civil liability under the Senior Savings Protection Act to an investment adviser representative if he or she acts in good faith and exercises reasonable care in complying with the provisions of the act.

The act requires an investment adviser to provide access to and copies of records that are relevant to any suspected financial exploitation of a senior citizen or person with a certain disability to the Department of Health and Senior Services, the Commissioner of Securities, or law enforcement, upon request.

The Commissioner of Securities is required to make available to investment advisers and investment adviser representatives training resources on the prevention and detection of financial exploitation of senior citizens and persons with certain disabilities.

#### ACTIONS AND PENALTIES UNDER THE MISSOURI SECURITIES ACT OF 2003

The Commissioner of Securities may impose a civil penalty up to \$25,000 for each violation of the Missouri Securities Act and may impose an additional penalty of \$15,000, in certain circumstances, if the victim was an elderly or disabled person. The act requires the Commissioner to file an action or issue an order within five years of acquiring actual knowledge of a person violating provisions of the Missouri Securities Act regarding the offer, sale, or purchase of a security. Otherwise, the Commissioner is required to file an action within 20 years.

**Status:** 2/28/19 Introduced and First Read (S)

## MENTAL HEALTH

[HB 108](#)     [Sommer](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Designates May as "Mental Health Awareness Month" in Missouri and July as "Minority Mental Health Awareness Month" in Missouri

**Status:** 2/14/19 First Read (S)

[HB 171](#)     [Washington](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Designates July as Minority Mental Health Awareness Month

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 177](#)     [Washington](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Requires long-term care facilities to have on staff one person trained in suicide assessment, treatment, and management

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 251](#)     [Morris](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the Tricia Leann Tharp Act, which requires certain pharmacists to receive two hours of continuing education on suicide prevention

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 653](#)     [Neely](#)     [Issue 3](#)

Changes provisions relating to mental health insurance coverage

**Status:** 2/20/19 Referred to Health and Mental Health Policy Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Health and Mental Health Policy

[HB 867](#)     [Gregory](#)     [Issue 6](#)

Modifies provisions for access to antipsychotic drugs by MO HealthNet users

**Status:** 2/11/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 1043](#)     [Appelbaum](#)

Requires teachers and principals to complete two hours of suicide prevention education each school year

This bill establishes the "Jason Flatt/ Avery Reine Cantor Act," which states that beginning in the 2020-21 school year, each school district must offer at least two hours of suicide prevention training for all practicing teachers. All teachers, principals, and licensed educators must attend such a training or complete training on suicide prevention through self-review of suicide prevention materials. The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education may develop materials to be used for such training or may offer districts materials developed by a third party.

**Status:** 2/25/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 1089](#)     [Houx](#)

Establishes a behavioral health crisis hotline

This bill instructs the Departments of Mental Health and Public Safety to establish and maintain a behavioral health crisis hotline to take calls from individuals experiencing a mental health crisis or from individuals concerned that someone is a danger to him/herself or others. The bill outlines what will be provided by the hotline and outlines protections.

**Status:** 2/28/19 Second Read (H)

[SB 164](#)     [Schupp](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Requires marital and family therapists to complete two hours of suicide management training as a condition of licensure

**Status:** 2/14/19 Reported Do Pass-Consent by Committee (S)

[\\*SB 204](#)     [Riddle](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to psychologist licensees

**Status:** 2/28/19 Reported Do Pass-Consent by Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Professional Registration

[SB 444](#)     [Schupp](#)

Requires physicians to complete two hours of suicide prevention training as a condition of licensure

This act requires physicians engaged in general or family practice to complete two hours of suicide assessment, referral, treatment, and management training as a condition of initial licensure and as a condition of license renewal.

**Status:** 2/26/19 Introduced and First Read (S)

## OLMSTEAD

No pending bills

**SAFETY/PREVENTION**

[HB 50](#)     [Bangert](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Prohibits anyone from using a hand-held electronic wireless communication device while driving a non-commercial motor vehicle unless the device is equipped for hands-free operation and is being used in that manner

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 68](#)     [Dinkins](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Prohibits the use of a hand-held wireless communications device within a school zone

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 74](#)     [Tate](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Prohibits the use of hand-held electronic wireless communications devices while driving non-commercial and commercial motor vehicles; but allows the use of such devices when used hands-free by operators of non-commercial motor vehicles who are fully licensed and eighteen years of age or older

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

\*[HB 207](#)     [Kelley](#)     [Issue 2](#)

Allows Missouri driver's license applicants to elect to have a medical alert notation placed on the person's driver's license

**Status:** 2/28/19 First Read (S)

[HB 211](#)     [Razer](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Prohibits the use of hand-held electronic wireless communications devices while driving non-commercial and commercial motor vehicles; but allows the use of such devices when used hands-free by operators of non-commercial motor vehicles who are fully licensed and eighteen years of age or older

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 223](#)     [Hansen](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Prohibits text messaging while driving for all drivers

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 522](#)     [Roden](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Specifies when persons operating or riding a motorcycle or motortricycle must wear protective headgear and imposes certain insurance requirements for persons who elect to ride without protective headgear

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 675](#)     [McDaniel](#)     [Issue 4](#)

Establishes the Authorized Electronic Monitoring in Long-Term Care Facilities Act

**Status:** 2/20/19 Hearing Completed (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Special Committee on Aging

[HB 742](#)     [Henderson](#)     [Issue 4](#)

Prohibits text messaging while driving for all drivers

**Status:** 1/31/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 896](#)     [Rowland](#)     [Issue 6](#)

Prohibits the use of a hand-held wireless communications device for texting by drivers of any age

**Status:** 2/12/19 Second Read (H)

\*[HB 932](#)     [Rehder](#)     [Issue 6](#)

Establishes multidisciplinary adult protection teams

**Status:** 2/27/19 Hearing Completed (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Special Committee on Aging

[SB 15](#)     [Wallingford](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Enacts provisions relating to the operation of motor vehicles while using electronic devices

**Status:** 1/24/19 Hearing Completed (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety

\*[SB 120](#)     [Burlison](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Specifies when persons operating or riding a motorcycle or motortricycle must wear protective headgear

**Status:** 2/28/19 SCS Voted Do Pass by Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety

## SERVICES

[HB 144](#)     [Ellington](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes the Customer Utility Protection Act

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

\*[HB 474](#)     [Eggleston](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions for temporary assistance to needy families and supplemental nutrition assistance programs.

**Status:** 2/26/19 Referred to Rules-Administrative Oversight Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Rules-Administrative Oversight

[HB 475](#)     [Kelly](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions for temporary assistance to needy families and supplemental nutrition assistance programs.

**Status:** 1/23/19 Referred to Children and Families Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Children and Families

[HB 659](#)     [Shields](#)     [Issue 3](#)

Requires the Department of Mental Health and the Department of Social Services to apply for a Medicaid waiver program

**Status:** 2/20/19 Referred to Health and Mental Health Policy Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Health and Mental Health Policy

**\*[HB 884](#)**     [Swan](#)            [Issue 6](#)

Adds provisions relating to health care

**Status:** 2/27/19 Referred to Professional Registration Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Professional Registration

**[HB 1037](#)**     [Swan](#)

Adds provisions relating to licensure requirements of music therapists

This bill establishes licensure for music therapists and creates the Music Therapy Advisory Group within the Division of Professional Registration.

**Status:** 2/25/19 Second Read (H)

**[HB 1070](#)**     [Butz](#)

Requires the department of revenue to establish a process that allows for online renewal of license plates and windshield placards for disabled persons

This bill requires the Department of Revenue to establish a process which allows individuals to renew license plates and placards used by individuals with disabilities online. The process must be in place by January 1, 2020. The website and online system used must allow for the confidential transmission of any required documents.

**Status:** 2/27/19 Second Read (H)

**[HCR 17](#)**     [Messenger](#)     [Issue 4](#)

Establishes the Joint Committee on Social Services

**Status:** 1/16/19 Second Read (H)

**[SB 261](#)**     [Nasheed](#)     [Issue 2](#)

Provides that lawful consumption of medical marijuana shall not render a person ineligible for TANF benefits

**Status:** 2/7/19 Second Read and Referred to Seniors, Families and Children Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Seniors, Families and Children

**\*[SB 303](#)**     [Riddle](#)

Licenses persons performing radiologic imaging or administering radiation therapy and establishes the Missouri Radiologic Imaging and Radiation Therapy Board of Examiners

**Status:** 2/25/19 Hearing Cancelled (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Professional Registration

**[SJR 6](#)**     [Eigel](#)            [Issue 1](#)

Prohibits implementation of any program providing a public benefit without an appropriation

**Status:** 1/24/19 Second Read and Referred to Appropriations Committee (S)

**Assigned Committee:** Appropriations

**OTHER****\*[HB 107](#)**     [Sommer](#)            [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to service dogs

**Status:** 2/28/19 Reported Do Pass by Committee (H)

[HB 123](#)     [DeGroot](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to permanent total disability benefits

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

[HB 261](#)     [Taylor](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to second injury fund liabilities and self-insurance regulations

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

\*[HB 301](#)     [Schroer](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Changes provisions relating to advanced practice registered nurses

**Status:** 2/26/19 Hearing Completed (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Professional Registration and Licensing

[HB 316](#)     [Barnes](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Designates the month of September as Deaf Awareness Month and the last week of September as Deaf Awareness Week

**Status:** 1/10/19 Second Read (H)

\*[HB 450](#)     [Eggleston](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Modifies provisions relating to the organ donor registry

**Status:** 2/28/19 Reported Do Pass by Committee (H)

[HB 497](#)     [Wood](#)     [Issue 1](#)

Establishes May 14th as "Apraxia of Speech Awareness Day in Missouri"

**Status:** 1/23/19 Referred to Special Committee on Tourism (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Special Committee on Tourism

\*[HB 678](#)     [Patterson](#)     [Issue 4](#)

Changes provisions relating to the Missouri ABLE program

**Status:** 2/28/19 First Read (S)

[HB 998](#)     [Proudie](#)     [Issue 7](#)

Designates the School for the Deaf as the Dr. William Kerr School

**Status:** 2/21/19 Withdrawn (H)

[HB 999](#)     [Proudie](#)     [Issue 7](#)

Designates the School for the Blind as the Eli W. Whelan School

**Status:** 2/21/19 Withdrawn (H)

[SB 426](#)     [Williams](#)     [Issue 7](#)

Modifies provisions of the ABLE Act

**Status:** 2/21/19 Introduced and First Read (S)

[SCR 21](#)     [May](#)

Designates August as Minority Organ Donor Awareness Month

This concurrent resolution designates each August as "Minority Organ Donor Awareness Month" in Missouri.

**Status:** [2/28/19 Introduced and First Read](#) (S)

## APPROPRIATIONS

[HB 2](#)     [Smith](#)                    [Issue 5](#)

Appropriates money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the State Board of Education and Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

**Status:** 2/7/19 Referred to Budget Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Budget

[HB 10](#)     [Smith](#)                    [Issue 5](#)

Appropriates money for the expenses, grants, refunds, and distributions of the Department of Mental Health, Board of Public Buildings, and Department of Health and Senior Services

**Status:** 2/7/19 Referred to Budget Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Budget

[HB 11](#)     [Smith](#)                    [Issue 5](#)

Appropriates money for the expenses, grants, and distributions of the Department of Social Services

**Status:** 2/7/19 Referred to Budget Committee (H)

**Assigned Committee:** Budget