American Massage Therapy Association
Legislative Briefing

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Alaska

1. **AK H 110**

   **SESSION ADJOURNMENT**
   April 15, 2018
   47 Days Remaining

   - **Title:** Massage Therapy Licensing
   - **Author:** Sam Kito (D-033)
   - **Status:**
     - 02/19/2018 From HOUSE Committee on LABOR AND COMMERCE: Do pass with substitute. (2-0)
     - 02/19/2018 To HOUSE Committee on FINANCE.
   - **Committee:** House Finance Committee
   - **Hearing:** 03/01/2018 9:00 am, ADAMS ROOM 519
   - **Introduced:** 02/08/2017
   - **Amendments:**
   - **Summary:** Relates to the practice of massage therapy; relates to the Board of Massage Therapists.
   - **Disposition:** Pending

2. **AK H 145**

   - **Title:** Massage Therapy License Renewal
   - **Author:** Dean Westlake (D-040)
   - **Coauthor:** LeDou (R)
   - **Status:** 02/07/2018 Withdrawn from further consideration.
   - **Location:** Withdrawn
   - **Introduced:** 02/24/2017
   - **Amendments:**
   - **Summary:** Relates to license renewal and criminal history record checks for massage therapists.
   - **Disposition:** Failed
Alabama

3. **Board of Massage Therapists Extension**

**Title:** Board of Massage Therapists Extension

**Author:** Sam Kito (D-033)

**Coauthor:** Chenault (R)

**Status:**
- 02/14/2018 From HOUSE Committee on FINANCE: Do pass with substitute. (6-0)
- 02/14/2018 To HOUSE Committee on RULES.

**Location:** House Rules Committee

**Introduced:** 01/16/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Extends the termination date of the Board of Massage Therapists.

**Disposition:** Pending

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Alabama

4. **Massage Therapy**

**Title:** Massage Therapy

**Author:** Jack D Williams (R-047)

**Author:** Williams J (R)

**Status:**
- 02/22/2018 From HOUSE Committee on BOARDS, AGENCIES AND COMMISSIONS: Reported favorably.

**Location:** House Floor

**Introduced:** 01/30/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Relates to massage therapy; requires the Alabama Board of Massage Therapy to conduct criminal history background checks under certain circumstances and to set the fee for the background check; provides for the suspension or revocation of a license issued under the Alabama Massage Therapy Licensure Act; requires the reporting of certain misconduct by certain persons.

**Disposition:** Pending

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Arizona

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### 5. AZ H 2396

**Title:** Subdivision and Size  
**Author:** Bob Thorpe (R-006)  
**Status:** 02/06/2018 Held in HOUSE Committee on FEDERALISM, PROPERTY RIGHTS AND PUBLIC POLICY.  
**Location:** House Federalism, Property Rights and Public Policy Committee  
**Introduced:** 01/11/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Relates to property; relates to subdivision; relates to size; relates to requirements.  
**Disposition:** Pending

### 6. AZ H 2409

**Title:** Massage Therapy and Regulation  
**Author:** Paul Mosley (R-005)  
**Status:** 01/18/2018 To HOUSE Committee on HEALTH.  
01/18/2018 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on RULES.  
**Location:** House Health Committee  
**Introduced:** 01/11/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Relates to massage therapy; relates to regulation; relates to repeal.  
**Disposition:** Pending

### California

### 7. CA A 2007

**Title:** Massage Therapy
### CA A 2483

**Title:** Department of Consumer Affairs: Occupational Boards  
**Author:** Randy Voepel (R-071)  
**Status:** 02/14/2018 INTRODUCED.  
**Location:** ASSEMBLY  
**Introduced:** 02/14/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Establishes an Office of Supervision of Occupational Boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs to exercise supervision over a covered board, as defined as specific licensing and regulatory agencies within the department to ensure compliance with specific policies establishing in the bill regarding licensing and the enforcement (established policies).  
**Disposition:** Pending

### CA A 3061

**Title:** Massage Establishments  
**Author:** Todd Gloria (D-078)  
**Status:** 02/16/2018 INTRODUCED.  
**Location:** ASSEMBLY  
**Introduced:** 02/16/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Expresses the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would create a massage
establishment owner registry to assist a city, county, or city and county in reporting and tracking the activities of massage establishment owners.

Disposition: Pending

Florida

10. **FL H 1047**

**SESSION ADJOURNMENT**
March 09, 2018
10 Days Remaining

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**Title:** Department of Health

**Author:** Julio Gonzalez (R-074)

**Status:** 02/26/2018 In HOUSE. Pending review of Committee Substitute under Rule 7.18(c).

**Location:** HOUSE

**Introduced:** 01/09/2018

**Amendments:** 02/21/2018 House Health & Human Services Committee, House, Number 754059, Amendments Adopted

**Summary:** Relates to the Department of Health; authorizes the Department of Health to adopt rules to implement a federal program to further encourage qualified physicians to relocate to and practice in under-served areas; revises health care practitioner licensure application requirements; revises licensure eligibility requirements; deletes a provision requiring certain physicians to register the office with the Department of Health; removes departmental responsibilities.

**Disposition:** Pending

**Last Amend:** 02/21/2018

11. **FL H 7017**

**SESSION ADJOURNMENT**
March 09, 2018
10 Days Remaining

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**Title:** Child Exploitation

**Author:** House Criminal Justice Subcommittee

**Coauthor:** Fant (R), Sullivan (R)

**Status:** 02/20/2018 In SENATE. In Messages.
02/20/2018 To SENATE Committee on CHILDREN, FAMILIES, AND ELDER AFFAIRS.
02/20/2018 Referred to SENATE Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE.
02/20/2018 Referred to SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
02/20/2018 Referred to SENATE Committee on RULES.

**Location:** Senate Children, Families, and Elder Affairs Committee
**FL S 1214**

**Title:** Child Exploitation  
**Author:** Lauren Book (D-032)  
**Status:** 02/01/2018 To SENATE Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE.  
**Location:** Senate Criminal Justice Committee  
**Introduced:** 01/09/2018  
**Amendments:** 01/26/2018 Senate Children, Families and Elder Affairs Committee, Senate, Number 666614, Amendments Proposed or Offered  
**Summary:** Relates to child exploitation; revises the offenses that may be investigated and prosecuted by the Office of Statewide Prosecution; revises the types of offenses committed by a child in certain custody or supervision of the Department of Children and Families which require the Department to provide notice to the school superintendent.

**Disposition:** Pending  
**Last Amend:** 01/29/2018

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**FL S 1486**

**Title:** Department Of Health  
**Author:** Denise Grimsley (R-026)  
**Status:** 02/22/2018 In SENATE. On Committee agenda 02/27/18.  
**Committee:** Senate Appropriations Committee  
**Hearing:** 02/27/2018 11:00 am, 412 Knott Building
**FL S 1594**

**Title:** Nursing

**Author:** Jeff Brandes (R-024)

**Status:**
- 02/22/2018 From SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Reported favorably. (20-0)
- 02/22/2018 To SENATE Committee on RULES.

**Location:** Senate Rules Committee

**Introduced:** 01/09/2018

**Amendments:**
- 01/29/2018 Senate Health Policy Committee, Senate, Number 709366, Amendments Proposed or Offered

**Summary:** Relates to nursing; defines the term advanced practice registered nurse; deletes the terms advanced registered nurse practitioner and clinical nurse specialist, to conform to changes made by the act; relates to the certification of clinical nurse specialists.

**Disposition:** Pending

**Last Amend:** 01/30/2018

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**FL S 1872**

**Title:** Health Care Coverage

**Author:** Victor M. Torres (D-015)

**Status:**
- 01/12/2018 To SENATE Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE.
- 01/12/2018 Referred to SENATE APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE on HEALTH AND HUMAN
SERVICES.
01/12/2018 Referred to SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Location: Senate Banking and Insurance Committee
Introduced: 01/09/2018
Amendments: 
Summary: Relates to health care coverage; provides legislative findings and intent; defines terms; creates the Healthy Florida program, to be administered by the Healthy Florida Board; creates the Healthy Florida Board; declares that the board is an independent public entity not affiliated with an agency or department.
Disposition: Pending

16. **FL S 1882**

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**Title:** Determining Bail

**Author:** Jose Javier Rodriguez (D-037)

**Status:**
01/12/2018 To SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY.
01/12/2018 Referred to SENATE Committee on CRIMINAL JUSTICE.
01/12/2018 Referred to SENATE Committee on RULES.

**Location:** Senate Judiciary Committee
**Introduced:** 01/09/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Relates to determining bail; specifies the purpose of a bail determination; creates a presumption for the release of arrested individuals while they await trial; requires the release of individuals on their own recognizance if they do not pose a substantial risk of flight or harm to the community.

**Disposition:** Pending

17. **FL S 1884**

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**Title:** Military and Veterans Affairs

**Author:** Doug Broxson (R-001)

**Coauthor:** Passidomo (R)

**Status:**
02/26/2018 In SENATE. Placed on Calendar.
02/26/2018 In SENATE. Placed on Second Reading.

**Location:** Senate Second Reading
**Introduced:** 01/09/2018
Introduced: 02/13/2018  Senate Approp Sub on Tran, Tour, Economic Dev, Senate, Number 721054, Amendments Proposed or Offered

Amendments:

Summary: Relates to military and veterans affairs; provides requirements relating to licensure or qualification for a trade, occupation, or profession of persons ordered into active duty or state active duty; provides duties of the Department of Education with respect to veteran outreach efforts; provides construction; requires the Department of Business and Professional Regulation to waive certain fees for certain individuals.

Disposition: Pending

Last Amend: 02/14/2018

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**Georgia**

18. **GA H 915**

**Title:** Regulation and Licensure of Bodywork Therapists

**Author:** Lee Hawkins (R-027)

**Coauthor:** Cooper (R), Hugley (D)

**Status:** 02/14/2018 In HOUSE: Read 2nd time.

**Location:** House Regulated Industries Committee

**Introduced:** 02/12/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Provides for the regulation and licensure of bodywork therapists; requires reporting of violations of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated; relates to posting model notice with human trafficking hotline information in businesses and on Internet; amends certain sections of code; relates to limitation on authority of local government to impose regulatory fee, examples of those which may be subject to fees, and individuals and entities not subject to fees.

**Disposition:** Pending

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19. **GA H 943**

**Title:** Opioid Alternative Treatments

**Author:** Karen Mathiak (R-073)

**Coauthor:** Hawkins (R), Silcox (R)
**Summary:**
Relates to insurance generally, so as to require health plans to provide coverage for less addictive opioids, opioid addiction treatments, and opioid alternative treatments; provides for a short title and findings; provides for definitions; provides for costs; provides for an insured changing health benefit plans; provides for an exemption; provides for related matters; repeals conflicting laws.

**Disposition:** Pending

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**Title:** Study Committee Directive

**Author:** Renee Unterman (R-045)

**Status:** 02/21/2018 From SENATE Committee on RULES: Favorably reported as substituted.

**Location:** SENATE

**Introduced:** 03/15/2017

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Creates the Senate Study Committee on Massage Therapy Practices to study the economic burdens on the massage therapy profession, including restrictions or barriers to massage therapy practice in city and county localities.

**Disposition:** Pending

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**Title:** Indecent Advertising

**Author:** John Mizuno (D-028)

**Status:** 11/30/2017 Carried over to 2018 Regular Session.

**Location:** House Intrastate Commerce Committee

**Introduced:** 01/20/2017
Amendments: Prohibits advertisements for massage, relaxation, spa, escort, or body rubs from including images depicting any person being advertised as a massage therapist, relaxation therapist, or escort in a nude condition.

Disposition: Pending

22. **HI H 1724**

**State ID**: HD1

**Title**: National Human Trafficking Resource Center Hotline

**Author**: Aaron Ling Johanson (R-031)

**Coauthor**: Yamashita (D), Ichiyama (D), Holt (D)

**Status**: 02/16/2018 From HOUSE Committee on JUDICIARY: Do pass.
02/16/2018 To HOUSE Committee on FINANCE.

**Location**: House Finance Committee

**Introduced**: 01/17/2018

**Amendments**: Expands the poster requirement to certain massage therapy establishments; increases the penalties for violations of the poster requirement; deposits the penalties into the Human Trafficking Victim Services Fund; allows the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to contract with any state, county department, or agency for implementation or enforcement.

**Disposition**: Pending

**Last Amend**: 01/31/2018

23. **HI H 1966**

**State ID**: HD1

**Title**: Massage Therapy

**Author**: Cindy Evans (D-007)

**Coauthor**: Takumi (D), Mizuno (D), Creagan (D)

**Status**: 02/21/2018 In HOUSE Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND COMMERCE: Voted do pass. (11-0)

**Location**: House Consumer Protection and Commerce Committee

**Introduced**: 01/19/2018
Amendments:

Summary: Exempts individuals specializing in only foot, hand, and outer ear manipulation from licensure as a massage therapist.

Disposition: Pending

Last Amend: 02/08/2018

24. **HI S 838**

**Title:** Indecent Advertising

**Author:** Russell Ruderman (D-002)

**Coauthor:** Inouye (D), Baker (D), Ruderman (D)

**Status:**
11/30/2017 Carried over to 2018 Regular Session.
01/17/2018 Rereferred to SENATE Committee on COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH.
01/17/2018 Subsequent referral set for: SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY.

**Location:** Senate Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health Committee

**Introduced:** 01/20/2017

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Prohibits advertisements for massage, relaxation, spa, escort, or body rubs from including images depicting any person being advertised as a massage therapist, relaxation therapist, or escort in a nude condition.

**Disposition:** Pending

25. **HI S 2095**

**Title:** National Human Trafficking Resource Center Hotline

**Author:** Stanley Chang (D-9)

**Status:**
01/22/2018 To SENATE Committee on LABOR.
01/22/2018 Additionally referred to SENATE Committee on GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.
01/22/2018 Subsequent referral set for: SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY.
01/22/2018 Subsequent referral set for: SENATE Committee on WAYS AND MEANS.

**Location:** Senate Labor Committee

**Introduced:** 01/18/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Expands the poster requirement to massage therapy establishments that employ three or more
people; increases the penalties for violations of the poster requirement and deposits the penalties in the human trafficking victim services fund; allows the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to contract with any state or county department or agency for implementation or enforcement.

Disposition: Pending

**26. HI S 2464**

**SESSION ADJOURNMENT**

May 03, 2018

65 Days Remaining

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<td><strong>Do pass as amended (SD1).</strong></td>
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**Status:**
- 02/12/2018 From SENATE Committee on COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH: Do pass as amended (SD1).
- 02/12/2018 In SENATE. Read second time. Committee amendment adopted. Senate Draft 1.
- 02/12/2018 To SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY.

**Location:** Senate Judiciary Committee

**Introduced:** 01/19/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Establishes the offense of exploitative advertising as a misdemeanor.

**Disposition:** Pending

**Last Amend:** 02/12/2018

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**27. ID S 1316**

**SESSION ADJOURNMENT**

March 23, 2018

24 Days Remaining

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**Title:** Attorneys Fees and Costs

**Author:** Senate Judiciary and Rules Committee

**Status:** 02/21/2018 To SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY AND RULES.

**Location:** Senate Judiciary and Rules Committee

**Introduced:** 02/20/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Amends existing law to provide that a prevailing party in an administrative proceeding between a licensing authority and a licensee shall be entitled to reasonable attorney's fees and costs.
Illinois

28. **IL H 4340**

**SESSION ADJOURNMENT**
January 08, 2019
315 Days Remaining

| Introduced | Passed 1st Committee | Passed 1st Chamber | Passed 2nd Committee | Passed 2nd Chamber | Enacted |

**Title:** Human Trafficking Resource Center Notice Act

**Sponsor:** Barbara Wheeler (R-064)

**Cosponsor:** Hurley (D)

**Status:** 02/05/2018 To HOUSE Committee on HUMAN SERVICES.

**Committee:** House Human Services Committee

**Hearing:** 02/28/2018 8:00 am, Room C-1 Stratton Building Springfield, IL

**Introduced:** 01/24/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Amends the Human Trafficking Resource Center Notice Act; adds to the list of entities required to post the notice under the Act massage parlors and bath houses, public gatherings and special events conducted on property open to the public that require the issuance of a permit from the unit of local government, establishments used primarily for gaming and where gaming equipment or supplies are used or offered for use for the purpose of accruing business revenue.

**Disposition:** Pending

29. **IL S 2329**

**SESSION ADJOURNMENT**
January 08, 2019
315 Days Remaining

| Introduced | Passed 1st Committee | Passed 1st Chamber | Passed 2nd Committee | Passed 2nd Chamber | Enacted |

**Title:** Massage Licensing Act and Sexual Misconduct

**Sponsor:** Julie A. Morrison (D-029)

**Status:** 01/30/2018 To SENATE Committee on LICENSED ACTIVITIES AND PENSIONS.

**Location:** Senate Licensed Activities and Pensions Committee

**Introduced:** 01/24/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Amends the Massage Licensing Act; defines sexual misconduct; provides that it is a violation if an owner or manager of a massage establishment knows or reasonably suspects that an employee has committed sexual misconduct against another person on the premises of, or on behalf of, the massage establishment and fails to report to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

**Disposition:** Pending
30. **IL S 2394**

**Title:** Massage Licensing Act  
**Sponsor:** John J. Cullerton (D-006)  
**Status:** 02/06/2018 To SENATE Committee on EXECUTIVE.  
**Committee:** Senate Executive Committee  
**Hearing:** 02/28/2018 2:00 pm, 212 Capitol Springfield, IL  
**Introduced:** 01/24/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Amends the Massage Licensing Act; makes a technical change in a section concerning the short title.  
**Disposition:** Pending

31. **IL S 2439**

**Title:** License Revocation for Educational Loan Default  
**Sponsor:** Scott M. Bennett (D-052)  
**Status:** 02/21/2018 In SENATE. Committee Amendment No. 1 filed. Referred to ASSIGNMENTS.  
**Committee:** Senate Licensed Activities and Pensions Committee  
**Hearing:** 02/28/2018 2:00 pm, 400 Capitol Springfield, IL  
**Introduced:** 01/30/2018  
**Amendments:** Senate, Number 1  
**Summary:** Repeals certain provisions allowing or requiring licensing authorities to revoke professional licenses for defaulting on an educational loan provided by or guaranteed by the Student Assistance Commission.  
**Disposition:** Pending
**Title:** State Agency Provided Scholarship or Loan Default  
**Sponsor:** Steve Stadelman (D-034)  
**Status:** 02/15/2018 In SENATE Committee on LICENSED ACTIVITIES & PENSIONS: Postponed in committee.  
**Location:** Senate Licensed Activities and Pensions Committee  
**Introduced:** 02/06/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Amends various acts to remove provisions allowing or requiring licensing authorities to deny, not renew, suspend, or revoke professional licenses for defaulting on an educational loan or scholarship provided by or guaranteed by a State agency.  
**Disposition:** Pending

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**Title:** Professional License Suspensions  
**Sponsor:** Michael G. Connelly (R-021)  
**Status:** 02/08/2018 INTRODUCED.  
02/08/2018 To SENATE Committee on ASSIGNMENTS.  
**Location:** Senate Committee on Assignments Committee  
**Introduced:** 02/08/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Revises provisions allowing or requiring licensing authorities to deny, suspend, or revoke professional licenses for defaulting on an educational loan or scholarship provided by or guaranteed by a state agency.  
**Disposition:** Pending

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**IN H 1130**
Title: Professional Licensing Agency Matters
Author: Dennis Zent (R-051)
Status: 02/22/2018 From SENATE Committee on COMMERCE AND TECHNOLOGY: Do pass as amended. (8-0)
02/22/2018 Committee amendment adopted on SENATE floor.
Location: Senate Second Reading
Introduced: 01/04/2018
Amendments: Relates to professional licensing agency matters; amends provisions regarding the acupuncture courses and institutions that are approved to provide training to qualify for an acupuncture license; allows a person who is enrolled in an architecture degree program to take the architect registration examination; provides that the dietitians certification board is required to hold one regular meeting each year.
Disposition: Pending
Last Amend: 02/22/2018

Kansas

35. **KS H 2557**

**SESSION ADJOURNMENT**
April 07, 2018
39 Days Remaining

Introduced  Passed  Passed  Passed  Passed  Enacted
1st Committee 1st Chamber 2nd Committee 2nd Chamber

Title: Massage Therapist Licensure Act
Author: House Health and Human Services Committee
Status: 02/14/2018 House Hearing: Monday, February 19, 2018, 01:30 PM Room 546-S.
Location: House Health and Human Services Committee
Introduced: 01/26/2018
Amendments: 
Summary: Relates to the Massage therapist licensure act.
Disposition: Pending

36. **KS S 358**

**SESSION ADJOURNMENT**
April 07, 2018
39 Days Remaining

Introduced  Passed  Passed  Passed  Passed  Enacted
1st Committee 1st Chamber 2nd Committee 2nd Chamber

Title: Massage Therapist Licensure Act
Author: Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee
Status: 02/14/2018 House Hearing: Monday, February 19, 2018, 01:30 PM Room 546-S.
Kentucky

37. **KY H 2**

**SESSION ADJOURNMENT**

April 13, 2018

45 Days Remaining

- **Introduced:** 02/12/2018
- **Passed 1st Committee:** 02/13/2018
- **Passed 1st Chamber:** 02/21/2018
- **Passed 2nd Committee:** 02/21/2018
- **Passed 2nd Chamber:** 02/21/2018
- **Enacted:**

**Title:** Workers Compensation

**Sponsor:**
- Adam Koenig (R-069)
- DeCesare (R), Wuchner (R), Rowland (R), St. Onge (R), Castlen (R), Herald (R), Wells (R)

**Status:**
- 02/21/2018 Floor Amendment defeated. Amendment No. (1).
- 02/21/2018 Floor Amendment adopted on HOUSE Floor. Amendment No. (2).
- 02/21/2018 Passed HOUSE. *****To SENATE. (55-39)

**Location:** SENATE

- **Introduced:** 02/12/2018
- **Amendments:** 02/21/2018 House Floor, House, Number 3, Amendments Proposed or Offered
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**Summary:**
Limits the time period of payment of medical expenses for certain permanent partial disabilities to 780 Weeks but provide a mechanism to apply for extended benefits; limits the number of drug Screens for which the employer will be liable; specifies circumstances upon which utilization review can be waived; mandates promulgation of treatment guidelines and a pharmaceutical formulary; clarifies that a fee shall not be charged when an injured worker requests the initial copy of medical records.

**Disposition:** Pending

- **Last Amend:** 02/21/2018

38. **KY H 456**

**SESSION ADJOURNMENT**

April 13, 2018

45 Days Remaining

- **Introduced:**
- **Passed 1st Committee:**
- **Passed 1st Chamber:**
- **Passed 2nd Committee:**
- **Passed 2nd Chamber:**
- **Enacted:**

**Title:** Posting of Signage to Prevent Human Trafficking

**Sponsor:** Ruth Ann Palumbo (D-076)
**Louisiana**

**39. LA S 40**

**Title:** Health Care  
**Author:** Fred H. Mills (R-022)  
**Status:** 02/21/2018 PREFILED.  
**Location:** Senate Health and Welfare Committee  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Provides relative to health profession licensing board membership.  
**Disposition:** Pending

**Maryland**

**40. MD H 166**

**Title:** Massage Therapy Examiners  
**Author:** House Health and Government Operations Committee  
**Status:** 02/13/2018 From HOUSE Committee on HEALTH AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS: Reported unfavorably. (23-0)  
**Location:** Withdrawn from further consideration  
**Introduced:** 01/17/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Clarifies that a license issued by the State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners entitles an individual to provide massage therapy treatment; requires a person to hold a certain permit before establishing or operating a massage therapy establishment in the State; provides that
these permits are not transferable and shall be displayed conspicuously; authorizes the Board to perform certain inspections; requires the Board to provide assistance to the Maryland Human Trafficking Task Force, law enforcement.

Disposition: Failed

41. **MD H 309**

**Title:** Massage Practice  
**Author:** Pamela Beidle (D-032)  
**Coauthor** Sophocleus (D), McConkey (R), Kipke (R), Carey (D), Chang (D), Howard S (R), Saab (R), Simonaire (R), Malone (R)  
**Status:** 02/26/2018 To SENATE Committee on EDUCATION, HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS.  
**Location:** Senate Education, Health & Environmental Affairs Committee  
**Introduced:** 01/22/2018  
**Amendments:** 02/21/2018 House Health and Government Committee, House, Number 91618401, Amendments Adopted  
**Summary:** Authorizes the governing body of Anne Arundel County, after consultation with the State Board of Massage Therapy Examiners, to adopt ordinances or regulations relating to verification, inspection, and display of certain licenses issued under certain provisions of law; requires the governing body of Anne Arundel County to provide that the Anne Arundel County Health Officer and the Anne Arundel County Police Department have the authority to carry out the ordinances or regulations.

Disposition: Pending  
Last Amend: 02/21/2018

42. **MD H 1598**

**Title:** Massage Therapists  
**Author:** Susan W. Krebs (R-005)  
**Status:** 02/14/2018 Hearing Scheduled 3/07 at 1:00 p.m.  
**Committee:** House Health and Government Operations Committee  
**Hearing:** 03/07/2018 1:00 pm, Room 240, House Office Building, Annapolis, MD 214  
**Introduced:** 02/09/2018  
**Amendments:** Alters the exemption from certain licensure and registration requirements for certain students
Summary: enrolled in an approved education program who practice massage therapy; alters the educational requirements to qualify for a license to practice massage therapy; alters the educational requirements to qualify to be registered to practice massage therapy; requires each holder of a license or registration to practice massage therapy to display the license or registration and a certain certificate.

Disposition: Pending

Missouri

43. MO H 2379  SESSION ADJOURNMENT
May 30, 2018
92 Days Remaining

Introduced
Passed 1st Committee
Passed 1st Chamber
Passed 2nd Committee
Passed 2nd Chamber
Enacted

Title: Cultural Competency Training
Sponsor: Cora Faith Walker (D-074)
Status: 02/06/2018 INTRODUCED.
Location: HOUSE
Introduced: 02/06/2018
Amendments:
Summary: Requires certain health care professionals to complete two hours of cultural competency training as a condition of licensure.
Disposition: Pending

44. MO S 604  SESSION ADJOURNMENT
May 30, 2018
92 Days Remaining

Introduced
Passed 1st Committee
Passed 1st Chamber
Passed 2nd Committee
Passed 2nd Chamber
Enacted

Title: Posting of Information Regarding Human Trafficking
Sponsor: Robert F. Onder (R-002)
Status: 01/09/2018 To SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY, CIVIL AND CRIMINAL JURISPRUDENCE.
Location: Senate Judiciary & Civil & Criminal Jurisprudence Committee
Introduced: 01/03/2018
Amendments:
Summary: Requires the posting of certain information regarding human trafficking.
Disposition: Pending

Mississippi
Title: Professional Massage Therapy Act
Author: Jason White (R-048)
Status: 02/12/2018 To SENATE Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE.
Location: Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee
Introduced: 01/11/2018
Amendments: 
Summary: Relates to State Professional Massage Therapy Act.
Disposition: Pending

Title: Mississippi Professional Massage Therapy Act
Author: Mark Baker (R-074)
Status: 01/30/2018 Died in committee.
Location: Died
Introduced: 01/16/2018
Amendments: 
Summary: Establishes the State Professional Massage Therapy Act; amends reenacted section 73-67-7, State code of 1972, to delete the definitions for State state law examination and provisional permit in order to eliminate the requirement of the State state law examination and to eliminate the issuance of a provisional permit.
Disposition: Failed

Title: Appointments to State Agency Boards
Author: Deborah Jeanne Dawkins (D-048)
Status: 01/30/2018 Died in committee.
Nebraska

48. **NE L 299**

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<th>Title:</th>
<th>Occupational Board Reform Rules and Regulations</th>
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<td>Author:</td>
<td>Laura Ebke (NP-032)</td>
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<td>Summary:</td>
<td>Adopts the Occupational Board Reform Act and change procedures for rules and regulations.</td>
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49. **NE L 834**

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<td>Summary:</td>
<td>Provides for waiver of certain occupational and licensing fees as prescribed.</td>
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50. **New Hampshire**

**NE L 958**

- **Title:** Massage Therapy Vehicle Licensure
- **Author:** Steve Erdman (NP-047)
- **Status:** 01/24/2018 Notice of hearing for January 31, 2018.
- **Location:** Health and Human Services Committee
- **Introduced:** 01/10/2018
- **Amendments:**
- **Summary:** Provides for licensure of a vehicle as a massage therapy establishment.
- **Disposition:** Pending

51. **New Hampshire**

**NE L 1084**

- **Title:** Property Tax Request Limitations
- **Author:** Tom Briese (NP-041)
- **Status:** 02/01/2018 Notice of hearing for February 08, 2018.
- **Location:** Revenue Committee
- **Introduced:** 01/18/2018
- **Amendments:** 02/26/2018 Legislative Floor, Legislature, Number 2085, Amendments Proposed or Offered
- **Summary:** Adopts the Property Tax Request Limitation Act; provides sunset dates for certain tax exemptions and incentives; changes other revenue and taxation provisions.
- **Disposition:** Pending

### New Hampshire

52. **NH S 462**

- **Title:** Occupational Licensure for Person With Criminal Records
- **Author:** Gary L. Daniels (R-011)
- **Status:**
- **Introduced:** 01/16/2018 Hearing: 01/24/2018.
Modifies the procedures for a person with a criminal conviction to apply for a license, certificate, or registration with a board or commission, and requires all occupational regulatory boards and commissions to revise administrative rules and propose statutory changes to comply with criminal conviction procedures; the bill also changes the qualifications for licensure for barbers, cosmetologists, manicurists, and estheticians; 18-2828 10/04.

Title: Health Care Provider Employment Restrictions
Author: Andy Sanborn (R-009)
Coauthor Clark (D), Reagan (R), Avard (R), Souza (R), French (R), Gannon (R), Innis (R), Ward (R)
Status: 02/15/2018 Passed SENATE. *****To HOUSE.
Location: HOUSE
Introduced: 01/03/2018
Amendments: Prohibits contract provisions of health care professionals that limit the ability of such professional to practice their profession in any geographic area after leaving a partnership, employment, or professional relationship; 18-2754 10/04.
Disposition: Pending

Title: Therapeutic Intervention Needs of Infants
Author: Martha Hennessey (D-005)
Coauthor Lasky (D), LeBrun (R), MacKay M (D), Gordon P (D)
Status: 01/18/2018 Hearing: 01/23/2018.
Location: Senate Health and Human Services Committee
Introduced: 01/03/2018
**Amendments:** Requires the Department of Health and Human Services to establish a pilot program to provide therapeutic intervention to infants diagnosed with neonatal abstinence syndrome.

**Disposition:** Pending

### New Jersey

#### 55. **NJ A 380**

**Title:** Licensing Requirements and Procedures  
**Sponsor:** Angelica Jimenez (D-032)  
**Cosponsor:** Giblin (D), Muoio (D)  
**Status:** 01/09/2018 FILED.  
01/09/2018 INTRODUCED.  
01/09/2018 To ASSEMBLY Committee on REGULATED PROFESSIONS.  
**Location:** Assembly Regulated Professions Committee  
**Introduced:** 01/09/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Revises licensing requirements and procedures under the Massage and Bodywork Therapist Licensing Act.  
**Disposition:** Pending

#### 56. **NJ A 931**

**Title:** Human Trafficking Victims Information Posting  
**Sponsor:** Thomas P Giblin (D-034)  
**Cosponsor:** Munoz N (R)  
**Status:** 01/09/2018 FILED.  
01/09/2018 INTRODUCED.  
01/09/2018 To ASSEMBLY Committee on JUDICIARY.  
**Location:** Assembly Judiciary Committee  
**Introduced:** 01/09/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Directs the development and posting of notices containing information for victims of human trafficking.
**Disposition:** Pending

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**57. NJ A 2065**

**Title:** Board Of Massage And Bodywork Therapy Licensure

**Sponsor:** Joe Howarth (R-008)

**Status:**
- 01/09/2018 FILED.
- 01/09/2018 INTRODUCED.
- 01/09/2018 To ASSEMBLY Committee on REGULATED PROFESSIONS.

**Location:** Assembly Regulated Professions Committee

**Introduced:** 01/09/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Allows New Jersey Board of Massage and Bodywork Therapy to accept alternative proof of education for licensure of current practitioners.

**Disposition:** Pending

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**58. NJ S 1456**

**Title:** Massage Bodywork and Somatic Services

**Sponsor:** Mike Doherty (R-023)

**Status:**
- 02/01/2018 INTRODUCED.
- 02/01/2018 To SENATE Committee on BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS.

**Location:** Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee

**Introduced:** 02/01/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Removes imposition of sales and use tax on sales of massage, bodywork and somatic services.

**Disposition:** Pending

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**New York**

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**59. NY A 9570**

**Title:**

**Sponsor:**

**Status:**
- January 09, 2019
- 316 Days Remaining
Title: Out of State Health Care Professionals
Sponsor: Dan Stec (R-114)
Cosponsor: Stec (R)
Status: 01/23/2018 INTRODUCED.
01/23/2018 To ASSEMBLY Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION.
Location: Assembly Higher Education Committee
Introduced: 01/23/2018
Amendments:
Summary: Allows out of state health care professionals to perform services at the Ironman Lake Placid and the Ironman 70.3.
Disposition: Pending

Title: Non Pharmaceutical Alternative Treatment Options
Sponsor: Linda B. Rosenthal (D-067)
Status: 02/14/2018 INTRODUCED.
02/14/2018 To ASSEMBLY Committee on INSURANCE.
Location: Assembly Insurance Committee
Introduced: 02/14/2018
Amendments:
Summary: Requires that non-pharmaceutical alternative treatment options including but not limited to treatment provided by a licensed acupuncturist, licensed massage therapist, and yoga instructor be covered by the medical assistance program and by private health insurers.
Disposition: Pending

Title: Out of State Health Care Professionals
Sponsor: Elizabeth Little (R-045)
Cosponsor: Little (R)
Status: 02/06/2018 From SENATE Committee on HEALTH. (17-0)
Location: Senate Third Reading
Introduced: 01/18/2018
Amendments:
Summary: Allows out of state health care professionals to perform services at the Ironman Lake Placid and the Ironman 70.3.
Disposition: Pending

Title: Health Care Professional Authorization
Sponsor: Jose M. Serrano (D-029)
Cosponsor: Serrano (D)
Status: 02/27/2018 From SENATE Committee on HEALTH.
Committee: Senate Health Committee
Hearing: 2018-02-27, Room 124 CAP
Introduced: 01/31/2018
Amendments:
Summary: Relates to authorizing certain health care professionals licensed to practice in other jurisdictions to practice in this state in connection with an event sanctioned by New York Road Runners; extends the provisions thereof.
Disposition: Pending

Title: Licensing and Regulation of Profession of Reflexology
Sponsor: John J. Bonacic (R-042)
Cosponsor: Bonacic (R)
Status: 02/22/2018 INTRODUCED.
Location: Senate Higher Education Committee
Ohio

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<td>OH S 265</td>
<td>Provides for the licensing and regulation of the profession of reflexology.</td>
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**Title:** Pharmacist Services and Health Insurers

**Sponsor:** Matthew J. Dolan (R-024)

**Status:**
- Introduced: 02/22/2018
- Amendments: Pending
- Summary: Permits certain health insurers to provide payment or reimbursement for services lawfully provided by a pharmacist; recognizes pharmacist services in certain other laws.

Oklahoma

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**Title:** Massage Therapy Practice Act

**Author:** AJ Griffin (R-020)

**Status:**
- Introduced: 02/06/2017
- Amendments: Pending
- Summary: Relates to the Massage Therapy Practice Act; relates to definitions; provides new terms; relates to licensed therapists; prohibits practice without licensure; relates to the authority of the State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering.
66. **OK S 758**

**Title:** Massage Therapy

**Author:** Darcy Jech (R-026)

**Status:** 02/07/2017 To SENATE Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

**Location:** Senate Health and Human Services Committee

**Introduced:** 02/06/2017

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Relates to massage therapy; relates to licensure; provides certain exemption; provides an effective date.

**Disposition:** Pending

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67. **OK S 1063**

**Title:** Massage Therapy Practice Act

**Author:** Micheal Bergstrom (R-001)

**Status:** 02/06/2018 To SENATE Committee on BUSINESS, COMMERCE AND TOURISM.

**Location:** Senate Business, Commerce and Tourism Committee

**Introduced:** 02/05/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Relates to the Massage Therapy Practice Act; relates to definitions; adds definitions; relates to licensed massage therapist; modifies prohibited acts; updates statutory reference; prohibits certain acts without first obtaining a license; relates to authority of State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering; clarifies provisions related to seeking an injunction and Board membership; directs Board to establish a fee schedule; modifies fee amounts; relates to license requirements; modifies date.

**Disposition:** Pending

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68. **OK S 1312**

**Title:** Massage Therapy Practice Act

**Author:** Micheal Bergstrom (R-001)

**Status:** 02/06/2018 To SENATE Committee on BUSINESS, COMMERCE AND TOURISM.

**Location:** Senate Business, Commerce and Tourism Committee

**Introduced:** 02/05/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Relates to the Massage Therapy Practice Act; relates to definitions; adds definitions; relates to licensed massage therapist; modifies prohibited acts; updates statutory reference; prohibits certain acts without first obtaining a license; relates to authority of State Board of Cosmetology and Barbering; clarifies provisions related to seeking an injunction and Board membership; directs Board to establish a fee schedule; modifies fee amounts; relates to license requirements; modifies date.

**Disposition:** Pending
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**Title:** Professions and Occupations  
**Author:** Nathan Dahm (R-033)  
**Status:** 02/06/2018 To SENATE Committee on BUSINESS, COMMERCE AND TOURISM.  
**Location:** Senate Business, Commerce and Tourism Committee  
**Introduced:** 02/05/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Relates to professions and occupations; relate to the Oklahoma Cosmetology and Barbering Act; provides an effective date.  
**Disposition:** Pending

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**Title:** Massage Therapy Practice Act  
**Author:** Micheal Bergstrom (R-001)  
**Status:** 02/06/2018 To SENATE Committee on BUSINESS, COMMERCE AND TOURISM.  
**Location:** Senate Business, Commerce and Tourism Committee  
**Introduced:** 02/05/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Relates to Massage Therapy Practice Act; relates to definitions; adds definition; provides for inspections; provides for codification; provides an effective date.  
**Disposition:** Pending

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**Title:** Practice of Acupuncture  
**Author:** AJ Griffin (R-020)  
**Status:** 02/26/2018 From SENATE Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES: Do pass as substituted.  
02/26/2018 Title Stricken.
Rhode Island

71. RI H 7499

Session Adjournment
December 31, 2018
307 Days Remaining

Introduced: 02/08/2018
Passed 1st Committee
Passed 1st Chamber
Passed 2nd Committee
Passed 2nd Chamber
Enacted

Title: Accident and Sickness Insurance Policies
Author: Michael A. Morin (D-049)
Coauthor: Messier (D), Phillips (D), Casey (D), Solomon (D)
Status: 02/08/2018 INTRODUCED.
02/08/2018 To HOUSE Committee on HEALTH, EDUCATION AND WELFARE.
Location: House Health, Education and Welfare Committee
Introduced: 02/08/2018
Amendments:
Summary: Would require health insurance contract plans or policies to provide coverage for certain licensed practices including physical therapy, occupational therapy, massage therapy, acupuncture and oriental medicine and would consider such licensed practices as "evidence based, non-opioid treatments for pain." This act would take effect on January 1, 2019.
Disposition: Pending

South Dakota

72. SD S 207

Session Adjournment
March 26, 2018
27 Days Remaining

Introduced: 02/05/2018
Passed 1st Committee
Passed 1st Chamber
Passed 2nd Committee
Passed 2nd Chamber
Enacted

Title: Massage Therapy
Author: Jim Stalzer (R-011)
Utah

73. UT H 37

SESSION ADJOURNMENT
March 08, 2018
9 Days Remaining

Introduced
Passed 1st Committee
Passed 1st Chamber
Passed 2nd Committee
Passed 2nd Chamber
Enacted

Title: Occupational and Professional Licensing Amendments
Author: Jim Dunnigan (R-039)
Coauthor: Bramble (R)
Status: 02/09/2018 HOUSE concurred in SENATE amendments. (62-0)
Location: Eligible for Governor
Introduced: 01/22/2018
Amendments: 02/09/2018 Senate Floor, House, Number 1, Amendments Proposed or Offered
Summary: Modifies statutory provisions related to the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing; modifies the DOPL's authority to share certain licensee information; modifies provisions related to unlawful and unprofessional conduct; modifies the exemptions from licensure and other requirements related to cosmetology and associated professions; modifies background check requirements and other requirements for certain medical professions; modifies certain contractor licensing requirements.
Disposition: To Governor
Last Amend: 02/08/2018

74. UT H 323

SESSION ADJOURNMENT
March 08, 2018
9 Days Remaining

Introduced
Passed 1st Committee
Passed 1st Chamber
Passed 2nd Committee
Passed 2nd Chamber
Enacted

Title: Massage Therapy Practice Act Amendments
Author: Marc Roberts (R-067)
Coauthor: Harper (R)
Status: 02/23/2018 Substituted on HOUSE floor.
02/23/2018 Passed HOUSE. *****To SENATE. (37-33)
02/23/2018 To SENATE Committee on RULES.
Location: Senate Rules Committee
Introduced: 02/02/2018
Amendments:
Summary: Modifies exemptions from licensure in the Massage Therapy Practice Act; exempts a bowenwork practitioner from being required to be licensed as a massage therapist; amends provisions related to reflexology and foot zone therapy.
Disposition: Pending
Last Amend: 02/23/2018

Virginia

75. VA H 541

SESSION ADJOURNMENT
March 10, 2018
11 Days Remaining

Introduced
Passed 1st Committee
Passed 1st Chamber
Passed 2nd Committee
Passed 2nd Chamber
Enacted

Title: Alternative Treatment Options for Veterans
Author: Nick Freitas (R-030)
Coauthor: Cosgrove (R), Bell (D), Ayala (D), Carroll Foy (D)
Status: 02/14/2018 To SENATE Committee on EDUCATION AND HEALTH.
Committee: Senate Education and Health Committee
Hearing: 02/27/2018 8:30 am, Senate Subcommittee Room 2, 5th Floor H.B. 541 Pat
Introduced: 01/10/2018
Amendments:
Summary: Relates to alternative treatment options for certain veterans; directs the Department of Veterans Services to enter into contracts with one or more providers to provide alternative treatment options for veterans certified by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs or any branch of the United States Armed Forces as having a traumatic brain injury or posttraumatic stress disorder; defines alternative treatment as a therapeutic service that is not part of the standard of medical care.
Disposition: Pending
Last Amend: 02/12/2018

Vermont

76. VT H 684

SESSION ADJOURNMENT
May 04, 2018
66 Days Remaining

Introduced
Passed 1st Committee
Passed 1st Chamber
Passed 2nd Committee
Passed 2nd Chamber
Enacted
Title: Profession Regulation
Author: Maida Townsend (D-Chittenden-7-4)
Status: 02/21/2018 To HOUSE Committee on WAYS AND MEANS.
Committee: House Ways and Means Committee
Hearing: 02/27/2018, Room 34
Introduced: 01/22/2018
Amendments:
Summary: Relates to professions and occupations regulated by the Office of Professional Regulation.
Disposition: Pending

Washington

77. WA H 2291
SESSION ADJOURNMENT
March 08, 2018
9 Days Remaining

Introduced
Passed 1st Committee
Passed 1st Chamber
Passed 2nd Committee
Passed 2nd Chamber
Enacted

Title: Licensure and Certification of Massage Therapists
Author: Vicki Kraft (R-17 -01)
Status: 02/22/2018 From SENATE Committee on HEALTH CARE & LONG TERM CARE: Do pass. (9-0)
02/23/2018 In SENATE: Passed to RULES Committee for 2nd Reading.
Location: Senate Rules Committee
Introduced: 01/08/2018
Amendments:
Summary: Concerns the licensure and certification of massage therapists and reflexologists.
Disposition: Pending
Last Amend: 02/14/2018

78. WA H 2446
SESSION ADJOURNMENT
March 08, 2018
9 Days Remaining

Introduced
Passed 1st Committee
Passed 1st Chamber
Passed 2nd Committee
Passed 2nd Chamber
Enacted

Title: Physical Therapist Supervision of Assistive Personnel
Author: Paul Graves (R-05 -02)
Status: 02/27/2018 Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.
02/27/2018 Passed SENATE.
02/27/2018 Eligible for GOVERNOR’S desk.
79. **WA S 6157**

**Title:** Prior Authorization  
**Author:** Shelly Short (R-007)  
**Status:**  
- **02/26/2018** Withdrawn from HOUSE Committee on RULES: Placed on 2nd Reading.  
- **02/27/2018** Rules suspended. Placed on Third Reading.  
- **02/27/2018** Passed HOUSE.  
- **02/27/2018** Eligible for GOVERNOR'S desk.  
**Introduction:**  
- Introduced: 01/10/2018  
- Amendments: 02/12/2018 Senate, Number 5184, Amendments Offered  
**Summary:** Provides that a health carrier may not require prior authorization for an initial evaluation and management visit and up to six consecutive treatment visits with a contracting provider in a new episode of care of chiropractic, physical therapy, occupational therapy, East Asian medicine, massage therapy, or speech and hearing therapies that meet the standards of medical necessity and are subject to quantitative treatment limits of the health plan.  
**Disposition:** To Governor  
**Last Amend:** 02/12/2018

80. **WA S 6425**

**Title:** Physical Therapist Supervision of Assistive Personnel  
**Author:** Patty Kuderer (D-048)  
**Status:**  
- **01/17/2018** INTRODUCED.  
- **01/17/2018** To SENATE Committee on HEALTH CARE & LONG TERM CARE.  
**Location:** Senate Health & Long Term Care Committee  
**Introduction:** 01/17/2018
Wisconsin

81. **WI A 864**  
**SESSION ADJOURNMENT**  
January 07, 2019  
314 Days Remaining

*Introduced: 01/19/2018*

*Amendments:*  

*Summary:* Concerns physical therapist supervision of assistive personnel.

*Disposition:* Pending

**Title:** Practice Protection laws Exemptions  
**Author:** Dave Murphy (R-056)  
**Coauthor:** Moulton (R), Tusler (R), Quinn (R), Horlacher (R), Schraa (R), Felzkowski (R), Tiffany (R), Kooyenga (R), Bernier (R), Mursau (R), Wichgers (R)

**Status:** 01/19/2018 INTRODUCED.  
01/19/2018 To ASSEMBLY Committee on HEALTH.

**Location:** Assembly Health Committee

**Introduced:** 01/19/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Relates to providing complementary and alternative health care practitioners with exemptions from practice protection laws, requirements and prohibitions for individuals who provide complementary and alternative health care services; provides a penalty.

**Disposition:** Pending

82. **WI A 899**  
**SESSION ADJOURNMENT**  
January 07, 2019  
314 Days Remaining

*Introduced: 01/30/2018*

*Amendments:*  

*Summary:* Relates to licensure and local regulation of establishments providing massage therapy or bodywork therapy, the scope of practice of massage therapists and bodywork therapists, the

**Title:** Massage Therapy or Bodywork Therapy Licensure  
**Author:** Paul Tittl (R-025)  
**Coauthor:** Jacque (R), Johnson L (D), Brostoff (D), Quinn (R), Vruwink (D), Tusler (R)

**Status:** 01/30/2018 INTRODUCED.  
01/30/2018 To ASSEMBLY Committee on REGULATORY LICENSING REFORM.

**Location:** Assembly Regulatory Licensing Reform Committee

**Introduced:** 01/30/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Relates to licensure and local regulation of establishments providing massage therapy or bodywork therapy, the scope of practice of massage therapists and bodywork therapists, the
unauthorized practice of massage therapy or bodywork therapy; grants rule-making authority; provides a criminal penalty.

Disposition: Pending

83. **WI A 942**

**Title:** Physical Therapy Licensure Compact

**Author:** Rob Stafsholt (R-029)

**Coauthor** Wirch (D), Spiros (R), Skowronski (R), Horlacher (R), Novak (R), Rohrkaste (R), Steffen (R), VanderMeer (R), LeMahieu (R), Tusler (R), Sanfelippo (R), Kolste (D), Nygren (R), Vinehout (D), Knodl (R), Bewley (D), Jacque (R), Kooyenga (R), Marklein (R), Petryk (R), Ringhand (D), Testin (R)

**Status:**
- 02/22/2018 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time.
- 02/22/2018 In ASSEMBLY. Amendment no. 1 adopted.
- 02/22/2018 In ASSEMBLY. Ordered to a third reading.
- 02/22/2018 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY. *****To SENATE.

**Location:** SENATE

**Introduced:** 02/09/2018

**Amendments:** Assembly, Number 1

**Summary:** Relates to ratification of the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact; extends the time limit for emergency rule procedures; provides an exemption from emergency rule procedures.

**Disposition:** Pending

**Last Amend:** 02/22/2018

84. **WI S 678**

**Title:** Health Care Practitioners Exemptions

**Author:** Frank G. Lasee (R-001)

**Coauthor** Moulton (R), Quinn (R), Horlacher (R), Schraa (R), Murphy (R), Felzkowski (R), Tiffany (R), Kooyenga (R), Bernier (R), Ripp (R), Mursau (R), Tusler (R)

**Status:**
- 01/04/2018 INTRODUCED.
- 01/04/2018 To SENATE Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

**Location:** Senate Health and Human Services Committee

**Introduced:** 01/04/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Relates to providing complementary and alternative health care practitioners with exemptions...
from practice protection laws, requirements and prohibitions for individuals who provide complementary and alternative health care services; provides a penalty.

Disposition: Pending

### West Virginia

**85. WV H 4003**

**Title:** Use of Certain Prescription Drugs  
**Sponsor:** Ray Hollen (R-009)  
**Status:** 01/12/2018 INTRODUCED.  
01/12/2018 To HOUSE Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES.  
**Location:** House Health and Human Resources Committee  
**Introduced:** 01/12/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Reduces the use of certain prescription drugs.  
**Disposition:** Pending

**86. WV H 4014**

**Title:** State Inspector General  
**Sponsor:** Amy Summers (R-049)  
**Status:** 02/27/2018 In HOUSE: Read 3rd time.  
02/27/2018 Passed HOUSE. *****To SENATE.  
**Location:** House Third Reading  
**Introduced:** 01/18/2018  
**Amendments:**  
**Summary:** Establishes the Office of the Inspector General; establishes the Office of Health Facility Licensure and Certification; continues the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit; establishes a state clearance system for access, registry, and employment screening; revises provisions relating to the reorganization of various state agencies; provides for the restructuring of the Department of Health and Human Resources; establishes the Department of Health Care Facilities.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Last Amend:** 02/26/2018
**Title:** Opiate Use Reduction

**Sponsor:** Tim Armstead (R-040)

**Status:** 01/23/2018 INTRODUCED. 01/23/2018 To HOUSE Select Committee on PREVENTION AND TREATMENT OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE.

**Location:** House Select Committee on Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse

**Introduced:** 01/23/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Reduces the use of opiates; states that the office of Drug Control Policy shall establish a voluntary non opiate advance directive form available online, that indicates to a health care practitioner that an individual may not be administered or offered a prescription or medication order for an opiate and should be submitted to the Board of Pharmacy; employs that no health care physician should prescribe opiates as a medication.

**Disposition:** Pending

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**Title:** Opioid Reduction Act

**Sponsor:** Mitch B. Carmichael (R-004)

**Status:** 02/19/2018 To HOUSE Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES.

**Location:** House Health and Human Resources Committee

**Introduced:** 01/15/2018

**Amendments:**

**Summary:** Amends the Opioid Reduction Act; clarifies physician responsibility for medication assisted treatment programs; requires consultation with patients prior to prescribing an opioid; limits the amount of opioid prescriptions; provides for referrals to a pain clinic or pain specialist; requires insurance coverage to treat chronic pain; expands acts subject to discipline or prosecution; amends the Uniform Controlled Substances Act; provides for unlawful retaliation and prescription drug monitoring.

**Disposition:** Pending

**Last Amend:** 02/16/2018