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| Access to care | HB 0250 establishing a committee to consider revisions to the New Hampshire health insurance laws (new title). Rep. McNamara | S-COM | 5/2 at 2 hearing | Monitor |
| Access to care | HB 0536 directing the Wellness and Primary Prevention Council to establish a system of family resource centers of quality. Rep. Berrien | S-HHS | 4/11 at 1 hearing on proposed amendment | Monitor |
| Access to care | HB 0619 relative to medical services for prisoners. Rep. Snow | H-MCG | Retained in committee | Monitor |
| Access to care | SB 0157 relative to network adequacy and consumer rights under the managed care law. Sen. Feltes | H-HHS | 4/19 at 2 hearing | Support |
| Access to care | SB 0158 relative to authorization for certain clinician-prescribed substance use disorder services. Sen. Feltes | H-HHS | 4/19 at 1:15 hearing | * Support |
| Access to care | SB 0189 requiring insurance policies to cover 3-D mammography. Sen. Bradley | S-COM | Re-referred to committee | * Support |
| Access to care | SB 0236 making the Medicaid expansion law permanent. Sen. Fuller Clark | S-HHS | 3/16 laid on table in Senate (committee voted 4-1 to recommend the bill pass with amendment) | * Support |
| Access to care | SB 0237 relative to telemedicine services. Sen. Soucy | H-HHS | 4/20 House vote via consent calendar – committee voted 17-1 to recommend the bill pass | * Support |
| Access to | SB 0238 relative to the usual and customary price of | H-HHS | 4/20 House vote via consent | * Oppose |

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| care | filling a prescription. Sen. Soucy | | calendar – committee voted 13-0 to recommend the bill be killed | | proposed amendment |
| Alcohol Tobacco | HB 0099 relative to beverage containers (new title). Rep. Hunt | S-COM | 4/25 at 1 hearing | | Monitor |
| Alcohol Tobacco | HB 0100 relative to the definition and use of toy smoke devices. Rep. Welch | S-COM | 5/2 at 1:45 hearing | | Monitor |
| Alcohol Tobacco | HB 0242 relative to the definition and regulation of e-cigarettes (new title). Rep. McBeath | S-COM | 5/2 at 1:30 hearing | * | Support |
| Alcohol Tobacco | HB 0279 relative to smoking on private property. Rep. Hull | H-COM | 3/8 laid on table in House (committee voted 13-7 to recommend the bill pass with amendment (new title); minority recommended the bill be killed) | * | Oppose |
| Alcohol Tobacco | SB 0145 prohibiting smoking in motor vehicles when a passenger under the age of 16 is in the vehicle. Sen. Watters | S-HHS | 2/23 laid on table in Senate (pending motion to re-refer) | | Support |
| Firearms | HB 0084 relative to having a loaded firearm in a motorhome (new title). Rep. Proulx | S-ENR | 4/20 Senate vote via consent calendar – committee voted 5-0 to recommend the bill pass | | Oppose |
| HR | HB 0628 relative to a family and medical leave insurance program. Rep. Gile | H-LAB | Retained in committee | * | Support |
| HR | SB 0151 relative to arbitration agreements in nursing home contracts. Sen. Soucy | S-HHS | Re-referred to committee via consent calendar | | Monitor |
| HR | SB 0152 relative to criminal history background checks for certain health care workers. Sen. Woodburn | H-HHS | 4/20 House vote via consent calendar – committee voted 18-1 to recommend the bill pass with amendment | | Monitor |

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| Legal process | HB 0106 relative to corroborating evidence in sexual assault prosecutions. Rep. W Marsh | H-CRIM | 3/8 laid on table in House (committee voted 18-0 to recommend the bill be killed) | Monitor |
| Legal process | HB 0326 regarding immunity under the child abuse reporting law. Rep. Burt | H-CFL | Retained in committee | * Oppose |
| Licensure | HB 0184 relative to the license requirement for medical imaging and radiation therapy and relative to registration by practitioners with the Board of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy (new title). Rep. Sylvia | S-EDA | 3/29 passed Senate | * Amend |
| Licensure | HB 0322 adding rulemaking authority to require completion of a certain survey as part of the license renewal process for health care providers. Rep. Fothergill | S-EDA | 4/26 at 9:30 hearing | * Support |
| Licensure | HB 0334 relative to exemptions from licensure by the Board of Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy (new title). Rep. Scully | S-EDA | 4/19 at 10 hearing | * Amend |
| Licensure | HB 0373 relative to rulemaking on forms for allied health professionals and relative to information on court cases concerning the validity of administrative rules. Rep. McGuire | S-EDA | 4/26 at 9:45 hearing | Monitor |
| Licensure | HB 0468 relative to licensure of mental health practitioners from other states. Rep. Cilley | S-EDA | 4/20 Senate vote – committee voted 5-0 to recommend the bill pass with amendment | Monitor |
| Licensure | HB 0538 requiring occupational regulatory boards and commissions to post reciprocity information (new title). Rep. Kurk | S-EDA | 4/20 Senate vote – committee voted 5-0 to recommend the bill be killed | Monitor |
| Licensure | HB 0586 relative to the regulation of certain | S-EDA | 4/20 Senate vote via consent | Monitor |

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| | professions by the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification. Rep. P Schmidt | | calendar – committee voted 5-0 to recommend the bill pass with amendment | |
| Licensure | HB 0650 relative to procedures of the Board of Psychologists. Rep. McGuire | S-EDA | 4/20 Senate vote via consent calendar – committee voted 5-0 to recommend the bill pass with amendment | Monitor |
| Licensure | SB 0054 relative to the licensure of alcohol and drug counselors, requiring regulatory boards to post reciprocity information, and establishing a committee to study licensure of alcohol and drug counselors (new title). Sen. D’Allesandro | H-EDA | 4/11 at 2 hearing | Monitor |
| Licensure | SB 0137 relative to licensure by endorsement granted by the Board of Nursing. Sen. Kahn | H-EDA | 4/11 & 4/12 at 10:30 work sessions | Monitor |
| Licensure | SB 0212 establishing the physical therapy licensure compact. Sen. Soucy | H-EDA | 4/25 at 10 executive session | Monitor |
| Mental health | HB 0208 establishing a commission to study current mental health procedures for involuntary commitment. Rep. Snow | S-HHS | 4/6 passed Senate with amendment | * Support |
| Mental health | HB 0286 requiring reporting on suicide deaths of individuals receiving services through the DHHS or its subcontractors. Rep. J MacKay | H-HHS | Retained in committee | * Support (NHPS) |
| Mental health | HB 0400 requiring the Department of Health and Human Services to develop a 10-year plan for mental health services (new title). Rep. Danielson | S-HHS | 3/8 passed House with amendment via consent calendar | * Amend (NHPS) |
| Mental health | HB 0572 extending the suspension of prior authorization requirements for a community mental health program on drugs used to treat mental illness. | H-FIN | Retained in committee (also to be taken up in HHS Oversight Committee & HB 2 budget bill) | * Support or Amend |

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| | Rep. Snow | | | | |
| Mental health | HB 0587 relative to conversion therapy seeking to change a person's sexual orientation. Rep. Schleien | H-HHS | Retained in committee | * | Support (NHPS) |
| Mental health | SB 0146 requiring the Department of Health and Human Services to develop a centralized state system for transporting persons subject to involuntary emergency admission. Sen. Watters | S-FIN | 3/9 laid on table in Senate (committee recommendation that the bill be killed failed by division vote of 12-12; no pending motion) | | Monitor |
| Mental health | SB 0147 establishing a committee to study mental health and social service information system operability. Sen. Kahn | H-HHS | 4/20 House vote via consent calendar – committee voted 19-0 to recommend the bill pass with amendment (new title) | | Monitor |
| Mental health | SB 0220 relative to the definition of mental illness for purposes of mental health services. Sen. Bradley | S-HHS | Re-referred to committee | * | Oppose |
| Mental health | SB 0224 relative to conversion therapy seeking to change a person's sexual orientation. Sen. Fuller Clark | H-HHS | 3/28 at 1 continued executive session | | Support (NHPS) |
| Misc | HB 0329 establishing a committee to study balance billing and authorizing municipal ratification of certain meetings and elections (new title). Rep. Luneau | S-HHS | 4/6 passed Senate with committee and floor amendments by roll call vote 21-2 (McGilvray not present) | * | Monitor |
| Misc | HB 0407 requiring workers' compensation to cover prophylactic treatment for exposure. Rep. White | H-LAB | Retained in committee | | Monitor |
| Misc | HB 0450 relative to the membership of the New Hampshire Commission on Deafness and Hearing Loss. Rep. Porter | S-HHS | 4/6 passed Senate | | Monitor |
| Misc | HB 0455 relative to the practices of pharmacy benefit managers. Rep. Hennessey | S-COM | 4/18 at 1:30 hearing | * | Monitor |

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| Misc | HB 0636 establishing a Department of Veteran's Affairs. Rep. Ober | H-SFR | Retained in committee | Monitor |
| Misc | HB 0649 making emergency technicians and rescue squad members eligible for a death benefit if killed in the line of duty. Rep. Proulx | S-HHS | 4/18 at 1 hearing | Monitor |
| Misc | SB 0061 relative to medical records of a deceased spouse or next of kin. Sen. D'Allesandro | H-HHS | 4/20 House vote via consent calendar – committee voted 20-0 to recommend the bill pass with amendment | * Monitor |
| Misc | SB 0064 establishing a committee to study medication synchronization. Sen. Carson | H-HHS | 3/23 passed House via consent calendar | Support |
| Misc | SB 0149 authorizing individuals and certain businesses to purchase health insurance from out-of-state companies. Sen. Sanborn | S-HHS | 3/16 laid on table in Senate (passed Senate with amendment by roll call 14-9 (Sen. McGilvray not present); pending motion is third reading) | Monitor |
| Public health | CACR 0002 providing that children have a natural right to be protected by their parents. Rep. Itse | H-CFL | 3/9 laid on table in House (committee voted 12-0 to recommend the bill be killed) | Oppose |
| Public health | HB 0237 establishing a committee to study helmet and restraint laws for youth operators and passengers of OHRVs and snowmobiles. Rep. S Smith | S-TRAN | 4/20 Senate vote via consent calendar – committee voted 5-0 to recommend the bill pass with amendment | * Support |
| Public health | HB 0287 establishing a committee to study decriminalizing sex work. Rep. Edwards | H-CRIM | Retained in committee | Monitor |
| Public health | HB 0291 removing veterinarians from the requirement of adopting rules for prescribing opioids and querying the controlled drug prescription health and safety program (new title). Rep. McGuire | S-HHS | 4/18 at 1:15 hearing | Monitor |

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| Public health | HB 0315 relative to persons who may accompany a youth operator of an OHRV or a snowmobile. Rep. S Smith | S-TRAN | 4/20 Senate vote via consent calendar – committee voted 5-0 to recommend the bill pass with amendment | Monitor |
| Public health | HB 0399 relative to pesticide use and notification in places where children play. Rep. McConnell | H-ENV | Retained in committee | Monitor |
| Public health | HB 0431 establishing a commission to study long term goals and requirements for drinking water in the Seacoast area. Rep. Messmer | S-ENR | 4/20 Senate vote – committee voted 3-0 to recommend the bill pass with amendment | Monitor |
| Public health | HB 0484 establishing a commission on the Seacoast cancer cluster investigation. Rep. Messmer | S-HHS | 4/18 at 1:45 hearing | * Amend |
| Public health | HB 0485 relative to standards for emerging contaminants in drinking water. Rep. Messmer | H-FIN | Retained in committee | * Monitor |
| Public health | HB 0511 establishing a commission to study environmentally triggered chronic illness (new title). Rep. Messmer | S-HHS | 4/18 at 2 hearing | * Concern re competing protocols |
| Public health | HB 0585 abolishing fluoridation in water. Rep. Fraser | H-MCG | 3/9 laid on table in House (committee voted 19-1 to recommend the bill be killed); 3/23 attempt to remove from table failed by division vote 78-267 | * Oppose |
| Public health | HB 0630 relative to the establishment of a publicly transparent interdepartmental health information and analysis program and establishing a special fund. Rep. S Schmidt | H-HHS | Retained in committee | Monitor |
| Public health | SB 0023 legalizing firecrackers. Sen. Avard | H-CRIM | 4/20 House vote via consent calendar – committee voted 17-3 to recommend the bill pass with | * Oppose |

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| | | | amendment | |
| Public health | SB 0043 relative to non-academic surveys administered by a public school to its students. Sen. Avard | H-EDU | 4/18 at 1 full committee work session | Monitor |
| Public health | SB 0057 making appropriations to DES for purposes of funding eligible drinking and wastewater projects under the state aid grant program and making an appropriation from the drinking and groundwater trust fund to address contamination in Amherst (new title). Sen. Bradley | H-FIN | 4/25 at 10 Division I work session | Monitor |
| Public health | SB 0153 making an appropriation for early childhood intervention services. Sen. Woodburn | S-FIN | 3/9 laid on table in Senate (passed Senate; pending motion is third reading) | Monitor |
| Public health | SB 0222 relative to the New Hampshire birth conditions program and relative to the administration of certain prescription medication for treatment of a communicable disease (new title). Sen. Carson | H-HHS | 4/20 House vote – committee voted 17-4 to recommend the bill pass; minority recommends the bill be killed | * Support amendment |
| Public health | SB 0247 preventing childhood lead poisoning from paint and water and making an appropriation to a special fund. Sen. Feltes | H-HHS | 4/18 at 9:30 executive session | Support |
| Reproductive health | HB 0156 including a fetus in the definition of “another” for purposes of certain criminal offenses. Rep. Notter | H-CRIM | Retained in committee | Oppose |
| Reproductive health | HB 0264 establishing a commission to study allowing pharmacists to prescribe or make available via protocol oral contraceptives and certain related medications (new title). Rep. Murphy | S-HHS | 4/6 passed Senate | * Support |
| Reproductive | HB 0471 relative to induced termination of | H-HHS | Retained in committee | * Oppose |

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| health | pregnancy statistics. Rep. Souza | | | | |
| Reproductive health | HB 0578 relative to banning abortion after viability. Rep. Murphy | H-JUD | 3/9 laid on table in House by division vote 280-82 (committee amendment failed by roll call 170-189) | * | Oppose |
| Reproductive health | SB 0066 including a fetus in the definition of “another” for purposes of certain criminal offenses (new title). Sen. Birdsell | H-CRIM | 5/9 at 10 executive session | | Oppose |
| Reproductive health | SB 0154 making oral contraceptives available without a prescription. Sen. Sanborn | S-HHS | Re-referred to committee | * | Support |
| SUD | HB 0151 relative to industrial hemp as a controlled substance. Rep. Itse | S-JUD | 4/25 at 10:30 hearing | | Monitor |
| SUD | HB 0157 adding chronic pain to qualifying conditions under therapeutic use of cannabis. Rep. Schleien | S-HHS | 4/20 Senate vote – committee voted 4-1 to recommend the bill pass | * | Oppose |
| SUD | HB 0160 adding post-traumatic stress disorder to qualifying medical conditions under therapeutic use of cannabis. Rep. Schleien | S-HHS | 4/20 Senate vote – committee voted 5-0 to recommend the bill pass with amendment | * | Oppose |
| SUD | HB 0215 establishing a commission to study the legalization, regulation, and taxation of marijuana. Rep. Cushing | S-JUD | 4/11 at 11 hearing | * | Monitor |
| SUD | HB 0377 relative to marijuana sales. Rep. Hunt | H-COM | Retained in committee | | Monitor |
| SUD | HB 0472 permitting qualifying patients to cultivate cannabis for their own therapeutic use. Rep. Cushing | S-HHS | 4/11 at 1:30 hearing | * | Monitor |
| SUD | HB 0575 relative to the certification of acupuncture detoxification specialists. Rep. Backus | S-EDA | 3/29 at 9 hearing | | Monitor |

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| SUD | HB 0610 implementing needle exchange programs in New Hampshire. Rep. Avellani | H-HHS | Retained in committee | * | Support |
| SUD | HB 0640 relative to the penalties for possession of marijuana. Rep. Cushing | S-JUD | 4/11 at 9:20 hearing | | Monitor |
| SUD | HB 0656 relative to the legalization and regulation of marijuana. Rep. Aldrich | H-CRIM | Retained in committee | | Monitor |
| SUD | SB 0015 relative to the law regarding therapeutic use of cannabis. Sen. Reagan | H-HHS | 4/20 House vote – committee voted 17-2 to recommend the bill pass | * | Oppose |
| SUD | SB 0017 relative to treatment for hepatitis C under the law relative to the use of cannabis for therapeutic purposes. Sen. Reagan | H-HHS | 4/20 House vote – committee voted 13-7 to recommend the bill pass | * | Oppose |
| SUD | SB 0026 relative to the definition of “facility caregivers” under the use of cannabis for therapeutic purposes law. Sen. Reagan | H-HHS | 4/20 House vote via consent calendar – committee voted 19-1 to recommend the bill pass | * | Oppose |
| SUD | SB 0144 relative to qualifying medical conditions for the therapeutic use of cannabis and relative to registry identification cards (new title). Sen. Reagan | H-HHS | 4/20 House vote via consent calendar – committee voted 21-0 to recommend the bill pass with amendment | * | Oppose |
| SUD | SB 0159 relative to qualifying medical conditions for the purposes of therapeutic cannabis. Sen. Feltes | H-HHS | 4/19 at 11 hearing | * | Oppose |
| SUD | SB 0234 relative to hypodermic syringes and needles containing residual amounts of controlled drugs and authorizing the operation of syringe exchange programs in New Hampshire. Sen. Gray | H-HHS | 4/11 at 10:15 hearing | * | Support |
| Vaccines | HB 0362 prohibiting certain immunization requirements for non-communicable diseases. Rep. Fraser | S-HHS | 4/20 Senate vote via consent calendar – committee voted 5-0 to recommend the bill pass | * | Support amended version |

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| Vaccines | SB 0065 relative to vaccines administered by pharmacists. Sen. Giuda | H-HHS | 4/11 at 11 hearing | * | Oppose |
| Vaccines | SB 0150 relative to pharmacist administration of vaccines. Sen. Soucy | H-HHS | 4/20 House vote – committee voted 13-0 to recommend the bill pass | | Monitor |