

**THBI Bill Report**  
**Monday, March 15, 2021**  
**New Legislation and Summaries**

*Below is the list of bills added to this week's THBI Bill Report along with their summary:*

**HB 18, by Oliverson**

Summary: Establishes a prescription drug savings program for the uninsured. Priority bill number for Speaker Phelan.

Track: Pharmaceutical

Engagement Level: B1

**HB 2968, by Cason**

Summary: Informed consent for vaccinations for children 3 and older. Changing age from 7 to 3. Refile from 86R

Track: Immunizations

Engagement Level: A3

**HB 2971, Cason**

Summary: Repeals Chapter 313, the Texas Economic Development Act.

Track: Budget and Tax Policy

Engagement Level: E3

**HB 2981, by Oliverson**

Summary: Establishes a prescription drug savings program for the uninsured. Priority bill number for Speaker Phelan.

Track: Pharmaceutical

Engagement Level: B1

**HB 3003, by Parker**

Summary: Establishes the Texas Reskilling & Upskilling through Education (TRUE) Initiative.

Track: Higher Ed

Engagement Level: C2

**HB 3380, by Leman**

Summary: expanding franchise tax credit for research and development.

Track: Budget and Tax Policy

Engagement Level: C2

**HB 3579, by Guerra**

Summary: disrupt the peer review process for CPRIT

Track: Higher Ed

Engagement Level: D2

**HB 3625, by Parker**

Summary: Administration the governor's university research initiative. Tightens the definition of "distinguished researcher".

Track: Higher Ed

Engagement Level: C2

**HB 3741, by Capriglione**

Summary: Personal identifying information collected, processed or maintained by certain businesses.

Track: Disclosure and Privacy

Engagement Level: E3

**HB 3922, by Oliverson**

Summary: information provided by health care providers & hospitals regarding pharmaceutical manufacturers patient assistance programs for insulin.

Track: Insurance

Engagement Level: B2

**HB 4015, by Guillen**

Summary: Creation of Rita Littlefield Chronic Kidney Disease Resource Center.

Track: Healthcare and Telehealth

Engagement Level: B1

**HB 4164, by Capriglione**

Summary: Providing authority for individuals to have access over PII collected

Track: Privacy and Disclosure

Engagement Level: E3

**HB 4406, by Ramos**

Summary: Expansion of eligibility for Medicaid. Companion to HB 171 and SB 118.

Track: General Medicaid

Engagement Level: B3

**HB 4481, by Oliverson**

Summary: Civil liability arising from COVID-19.

Track: COVID-19 and Infectious Diseases

Engagement Level: A3

**SB 1102, by Creighton**

Summary: Establishes the Texas Reskilling & Upskilling through Education (TRUE) Initiative.

Track: Higher Ed

Engagement Level: C2

**SB 1186, by Alvarado**

Summary: Expansion of eligibility for Medicaid.

Track: General Medicaid

Engagement Level: B3

**SB 1525, by Creighton**

Summary: Administration the governor's university research initiative. Tightens the definition of "distinguished researcher"

Track: Higher Ed

Engagement Level: C2

**SB 1680, by Miles**

Summary: The issuance of tuition revenue bonds. Companion to HB 449.

Track: Higher Ed

Engagement Level: D1

**SB 1751, by Johnson**

Summary: Improvements to access to health care in Texas, inc. increased access to and scope of coverage in Medicaid.

Track: General Medicaid

Engagement Level: B3

**SB 1754, by Johnson**

Summary: information provided by health care providers & hospitals regarding pharmaceutical manufacturers patient assistance programs for insulin.

Track: Insurance

Engagement Level: D2

**SB 1820, by Bettencourt**

Summary: Prohibits disciplinary action for promotion of off-label use by pharma manufacturers. Similar to HB 2185 by Rep. Tan Parker.

Track: Pharmaceutical

Engagement Level: B3

**SB 2043, by Menendez**

Summary: Prior authorization prescription drug for chronic and autoimmune diseases.

Companion to HB 907.

Track: Pharmaceutical

Engagement Level: B2

**SB 2051, by Menendez**

Summary: Coverage of pres drugs for serious mental illnesses, prohibiting a plan from requiring a "fail-first". Companion to HB 2504.

Track: Insurance

Engagement Level: B1

*Please note, the "Comment" line, the last line of each bill's overview, will continue to house each bill's short summary and the level of THBI's engagement on the particular bill.*

## Texas Legislature Online - Bill Lists

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## Budget and Tax Policy

## Legislature: 87th Legislature

**87(R) HB 1**                      **Author:** Bonnen  
**Last Action**                      03/01/2021 H Referred to Appropriations  
**Caption Version:**              Introduced  
**Caption:**                          General Appropriations Bill.  
**House Committee:**              Appropriations (In)  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**                      B1 - General Appropriations Bill - appropriations for the 2022-2023 biennium

**87(R) HB 2**                      **Author:** Bonnen  
**Last Action**                      03/01/2021 H Referred to Appropriations  
**Caption Version:**              Introduced  
**Caption:**                          Relating to making supplemental appropriations and reductions in appropriations and giving direction and adjustment authority regarding appropriations.  
**House Committee:**              Appropriations (In)  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**                      B1 - Supplemental Approps Bill - supplemental appropriations and reductions for fiscal year ending August 31, 2021

**87(R) HB 1556**                  **Author:** Murphy  
**Last Action**                      03/08/2021 H Referred to Ways & Means  
**Caption Version:**              Introduced  
**Caption:**                          Relating to the Texas Economic Development Act.  
**House Committee:**              Ways & Means (In)  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**                      E1 - Texas Economic Development Act. Amends Ch 313 of Tax Code

**87(R) HB 2971**                  **Author:** Cason  
**Last Action**                      03/05/2021 H Filed  
**Caption Version:**              Introduced  
**Caption:**                          Relating to the repeal of the Texas Economic Development Act.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**                      E3 - Repeals Chapter 313, the Texas Economic Development Act.

**87(R) HB 3380**                  **Author:** Leman  
**Last Action**                      03/09/2021 H Filed  
**Caption Version:**              Introduced  
**Caption:**                          Relating to the franchise tax credit for certain research and development activities.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**                      C2 - expanding franchise tax credit for research and development.

**87(R) SB 1**      **Author:** Nelson  
**Last Action**      03/08/2021 S Left pending in committee  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      General Appropriations Bill.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**      Finance (In)  
**Comment:**      B1 - General Appropriations Bill - appropriations for the 2022-2023 biennium



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## COVID-19 and Infectious Diseases

Legislature: 87th Legislature

**87(R) HB 797**      **Author:** Howard | et al.  
**Last Action**      03/10/2021 H Left pending in committee  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to allowing home and hospice agencies to administer certain vaccines.  
**House Committee:**      Public Health (In)  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      A2 - Home hospice agencies to administer vaccines

**87(R) HB 906**      **Author:** Krause  
**Last Action**      03/01/2021 H Referred to State Affairs  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to a prohibition on orders issued during a declared state of disaster that distinguish between essential and nonessential services.  
**House Committee:**      State Affairs (In)  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      A3 - Prohibition on orders issued - essential and nonessential services

**87(R) HB 1989**      **Author:** Thierry  
**Last Action**      02/22/2021 H Filed  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to the state reserve of personal protective equipment for health care workers and essential personnel.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      A2 - Creates a state reserve for PPE and defines essential personnel. Companion to SB 437 and HB 2270.

**87(R) HB 2270**      **Author:** Turner, John  
**Last Action**      02/24/2021 H Filed  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to the state reserve of personal protective equipment for health care workers and essential personnel.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      A2 - Creates a state reserve for PPE and defines essential personnel. Companion to SB 437 and HB 1989.

**87(R) HB 2316**      **Author:** Turner, John  
**Last Action**      02/25/2021 H Filed  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to a COVID-19 vaccine public awareness campaign.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      A1 - COVID-19 vaccine awareness campaign.

**87(R) HB 2782**      **Author:** Dean  
**Last Action**      03/03/2021 H Filed  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to businesses' civil liability for COVID-19 exposure.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      A3 - Businesses' civil liability for COVID-19 exposure - limited liability.

**87(R) HB 4481**      **Author:** Oliverson  
**Last Action**      03/12/2021 H Filed  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to civil liability arising from COVID-19.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      A3 - Civil liability arising from COVID-19.

**87(R) SB 115**      **Author:** Lucio  
**Last Action**      03/03/2021 S Referred to Health & Human Services  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to public health laboratory testing capabilities in certain counties.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**      Health & Human Services (In)  
**Comment:**      A3 - Health laboratory testing capabilities

**87(R) SB 264**      **Author:** Menéndez  
**Last Action**      03/03/2021 S Referred to Health & Human Services  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to the establishment of the Texas Research Consortium to Cure Infectious Diseases (TRANSCEND); authorizing the issuance of bonds.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**      Health & Human Services (In)  
**Comment:**      A1 - Establishment of TRANSCEND

**87(R) SB 437**      **Author:** Blanco  
**Last Action**      03/09/2021 S Referred to Health & Human Services  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to the state reserve of personal protective equipment for health care workers and essential personnel.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**      Health & Human Services (In)  
**Comment:**      A2 - Creates a state reserve for PPE and defines essential personnel

**87(R) SB 968**      **Author:** Kolkhorst  
**Last Action**      03/11/2021 S Referred to Health & Human Services  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to public health disaster and public health emergency preparedness and response; providing a civil penalty.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**      Health & Human Services (In)  
**Comment:**      A3 - Public health disaster and public health emergency preparedness and response - PPE manufacturer contracts.

**Confidential****THBI Legislative Tracking****Packet Page 5 of 28****87(R) SB 984****Author:** Schwertner | et al.**Last Action**

03/03/2021 S Filed

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

Relating to public health disaster and public health emergency preparedness and response, including the operation of the Task Force on Infectious Disease Preparedness and Response.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:****Comment:**

A3 - Public health disaster and public health emergency preparedness and response. Establishes a PPE reserve

**87(R) SB 2022****Author:** Powell**Last Action**

03/12/2021 S Filed

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

Relating to a COVID-19 vaccine public awareness campaign.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:****Comment:**

A1 - COVID-19 vaccine awareness campaign. Companion to HB 2316.

**87(R) SJR 17****Author:** Menéndez**Last Action**

03/03/2021 S Referred to Health &amp; Human Services

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

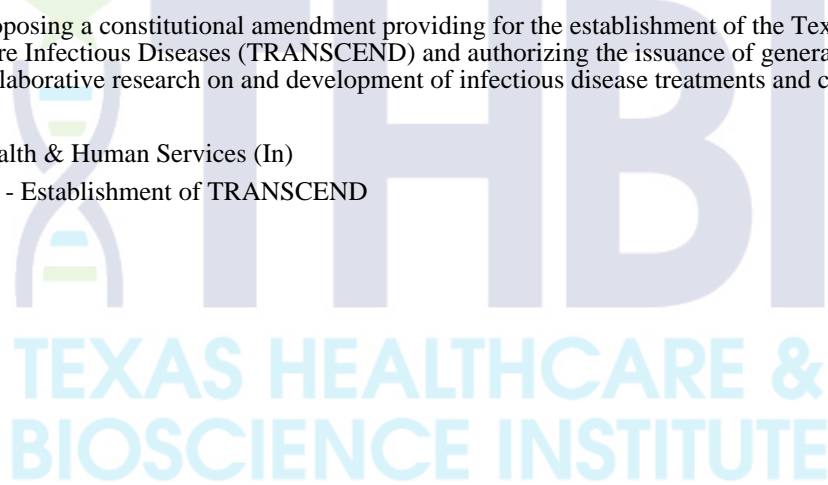
Proposing a constitutional amendment providing for the establishment of the Texas Research Consortium to Cure Infectious Diseases (TRANSCEND) and authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds to fund collaborative research on and development of infectious disease treatments and cures for humans.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:**

Health &amp; Human Services (In)

**Comment:**

A1 - Establishment of TRANSCEND





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## Disclosure and Privacy

Legislature: 87th Legislature

<b>87(R) HB 1810</b>	<b>Author:</b> Capriglione
<b>Last Action</b>	03/11/2021 H Referred to State Affairs
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to maintenance and production of electronic public information under the public information law.
<b>House Committee:</b>	State Affairs (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	E1 - Maintenance and production of electronic public info by a gov body/state entity. Defines e-pub info in statute.
<b>87(R) HB 3741</b>	<b>Author:</b> Capriglione
<b>Last Action</b>	03/11/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the personal identifying information collected, processed, or maintained by certain businesses; imposing a civil penalty.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	E3 - Personal identifying information collected, processed or maintained by certain businesses.
<b>87(R) HB 4164</b>	<b>Author:</b> Capriglione
<b>Last Action</b>	03/12/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the authority of individuals over the personal identifying information collected, processed, or maintained about the individuals and certain others by certain businesses.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	E3 - Providing authority for individuals to have access over PII collected
<b>87(R) SB 16</b>	<b>Author:</b> Nelson   et al.
<b>Last Action</b>	03/03/2021 S Referred to Finance
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to prohibitions on the dissemination by a state agency of an individual's personal data.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	Finance (In)
<b>Comment:</b>	E2 - Prohibits state agencies from selling personal data. Amends the Gov Code. Could be a vehicle.
<b>87(R) SB 729</b>	<b>Author:</b> Johnson
<b>Last Action</b>	03/11/2021 S Referred to Business & Commerce
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to maintenance and production of electronic public information under the public information law.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	Business & Commerce (In)
<b>Comment:</b>	E1 - Maintenance and production of electronic public info by a gov body/state entity. Defines e-pub info in statute.

**87(R) SB 928****Author:** Zaffirini**Last Action**

03/11/2021 S Referred to Business &amp; Commerce

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

Relating to maintenance and production of electronic public information under the public information law.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:**

Business &amp; Commerce (In)

**Comment:**

E1 - Maintenance and production of electronic public info by a gov body/state entity. Defines e-pub info in statute.



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Highlighted bills are  
Medicaid expansion bills.

## General Medicaid

Legislature: 87th Legislature

<b>87(R) HB 105</b>	<b>Author:</b> Ortega
<b>Last Action</b>	03/16/2021 H Scheduled for public hearing on . . .
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the use of promotoras and community health workers in Medicaid managed care.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Human Services (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B3 - Use promotoras community health workers
<b>87(R) HB 131</b>	<b>Author:</b> Bernal
<b>Last Action</b>	02/25/2021 H Referred to Appropriations
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the creation of a Medicaid buy-in program for certain low-income individuals through the expansion of Medicaid under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Appropriations (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B3 - Medicaid buy-in program low-income; expansion eligibility Medicaid
<b>87(R) HB 143</b>	<b>Author:</b> Bernal
<b>Last Action</b>	02/25/2021 H Referred to Human Services
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the expansion of eligibility for Medicaid in certain counties under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Human Services (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B3 - Expansion eligibility Medicaid
<b>87(R) HB 171</b>	<b>Author:</b> Bernal
<b>Last Action</b>	02/25/2021 H Referred to Appropriations
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the expansion of eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Appropriations (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B3 - Expansion eligibility Medicaid to persons
<b>87(R) HB 389</b>	<b>Author:</b> Israel
<b>Last Action</b>	02/25/2021 H Referred to Appropriations
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the expansion of eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Appropriations (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B3 - Expansion eligibility Medicaid to persons

**87(R) HB 398****Author:** Bucy**Last Action** 02/25/2021 H Referred to Appropriations**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to the expansion of eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.**House Committee:** Appropriations (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Expansion eligibility Medicaid to persons**87(R) HB 509****Author:** Beckley**Last Action** 03/01/2021 H Referred to Appropriations**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to the expansion of eligibility for Medicaid to all persons for whom federal matching funds are available.**House Committee:** Appropriations (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Expansion eligibility Medicaid**87(R) HB 510****Author:** Beckley**Last Action** 03/01/2021 H Referred to Human Services**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to a Medicaid buy-in program for Medicaid recipients with increased household income from employment.**House Committee:** Human Services (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Medicaid buy-in program Medicaid recipients**87(R) HB 511****Author:** Beckley**Last Action** 03/01/2021 H Referred to Human Services**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to a Medicaid buy-in program for Medicaid recipients with increased household income from employment with a small business.**House Committee:** Human Services (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Medicaid buy-in program Medicaid recipients**87(R) HB 512****Author:** Beckley**Last Action** 03/01/2021 H Referred to Human Services**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to a Medicaid buy-in program for employees of small businesses.**House Committee:** Human Services (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Medicaid buy-in program small business**87(R) HB 513****Author:** Beckley**Last Action** 03/01/2021 H Referred to Human Services**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to the expansion of eligibility for Medicaid in certain counties.**House Committee:** Human Services (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Expansion eligibility Medicaid counties

**87(R) HB 734****Author:** González, Jessica**Last Action** 03/01/2021 H Referred to Appropriations**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to the Medicaid eligibility of certain persons who are lawfully present in the United States.**House Committee:** Appropriations (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Medicaid eligibility persons**87(R) HB 922****Author:** Reynolds**Last Action** 03/01/2021 H Referred to Human Services**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to a "Texas Way" to reforming and addressing issues related to the Medicaid program, including the creation of an alternative program designed to ensure health benefit plan coverage to certain low-income individuals through the private marketplace.**House Committee:** Human Services (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Medicaid and Medicaid alternatives**87(R) HB 1730****Author:** Larson**Last Action** 03/10/2021 H Referred to Appropriations**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to the expansion of eligibility for Medicaid to all persons for whom federal matching money is available.**House Committee:** Appropriations (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Expansion of Medicaid eligibility if federal matching money is available.**87(R) HB 1741****Author:** Guerra**Last Action** 03/10/2021 H Referred to Appropriations**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to the expansion of eligibility for Medicaid to all persons for whom federal matching money is available.**House Committee:** Appropriations (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Expansion of Medicaid eligibility if federal matching money is available.**87(R) HB 4406****Author:** Ramos**Last Action** 03/12/2021 H Filed**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to the expansion of eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.**House Committee:****Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Expansion of eligibility for Medicaid. Companion to HB 171 and SB 118.**87(R) HJR 9****Author:** Reynolds**Last Action** 03/01/2021 H Referred to Appropriations**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the state to expand eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.**House Committee:** Appropriations (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Affordable care act

**87(R) HJR 23****Author:** Israel**Last Action** 03/01/2021 H Referred to Appropriations**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the state to expand eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.**House Committee:** Appropriations (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Proposing constitutional amendment expand**87(R) HJR 24****Author:** Bucy**Last Action** 03/01/2021 H Referred to Appropriations**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the state to expand eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.**House Committee:** Appropriations (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Proposing constitutional amendment expand**87(R) HJR 86****Author:** Larson**Last Action** 03/11/2021 H Referred to Appropriations**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the state to expand eligibility for Medicaid to all persons for whom federal matching money is available.**House Committee:** Appropriations (In)**Senate Committee:****Comment:** B3 - Exp. of Medicaid eligibility if fed matching money is avail. Constitutional amendment subject to voter approval**87(R) SB 38****Author:** Zaffirini**Last Action** 03/03/2021 S Referred to Health & Human Services**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to the expansion of eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.**House Committee:****Senate Committee:** Health & Human Services (In)**Comment:** B3 - Expansion eligibility Medicaid to persons**87(R) SB 118****Author:** Johnson | et al.**Last Action** 03/03/2021 S Referred to Health & Human Services**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to the expansion of eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.**House Committee:****Senate Committee:** Health & Human Services (In)**Comment:** B3 - Expansion eligibility Medicaid to persons**87(R) SB 119****Author:** Johnson | et al.**Last Action** 03/03/2021 S Referred to Health & Human Services**Caption Version:** Introduced**Caption:** Relating to the expansion of eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.**House Committee:****Senate Committee:** Health & Human Services (In)**Comment:** B3 - Expansion eligibility Medicaid to persons

**87(R) SB 171****Author:** Blanco**Last Action**

03/03/2021 S Referred to Health &amp; Human Services

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

Relating to a report regarding Medicaid reimbursement rates and access to care.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:**

Health &amp; Human Services (In)

**Comment:**

B3 - Report regarding Medicaid reimbursement rates

**87(R) SB 217****Author:** West**Last Action**

03/03/2021 S Referred to Health &amp; Human Services

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

Relating to expanding eligibility for medical assistance to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and ensuring the provision of quality care under and the effectiveness of the medical assistance program.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:**

Health &amp; Human Services (In)

**Comment:**

B3 - Expanding eligibility medical assistance

**87(R) SB 521****Author:** Blanco**Last Action**

03/09/2021 S Referred to Health &amp; Human Services

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

Relating to the Medicaid eligibility of certain persons who are lawfully present in the United States.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:**

Health &amp; Human Services (In)

**Comment:**

B3 - Medicaid eligibility expanded to persons who are lawfully present in the U.S.

**87(R) SB 1186****Author:** Alvarado**Last Action**

03/08/2021 S Filed

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

Relating to the expansion of eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:****Comment:**

B3 - Expansion of eligibility for Medicaid.

**87(R) SB 1751****Author:** Johnson**Last Action**

03/12/2021 S Filed

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

Relating to improvements to access to health care in this state, including increased access to and scope of coverage under health benefit plans and Medicaid, and to improvements in health outcomes; authorizing an assessment; imposing penalties.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:****Comment:**

B3 - Improvements to access to health care in Texas, inc. increased access to and scope of coverage in Medicaid.

**87(R) SJR 11****Author:** Zaffirini**Last Action**

03/03/2021 S Referred to Health &amp; Human Services

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the state to expand eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:**

Health &amp; Human Services (In)

**Comment:**

B3 - Expansion eligibility Medicaid to persons

**87(R) SJR 14****Author:** Johnson | et al.**Last Action**

03/03/2021 S Referred to Health &amp; Human Services

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the state to expand eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:**

Health &amp; Human Services (In)

**Comment:**

B3 - Proposing constitutional amendment expand

**87(R) SJR 15****Author:** Alvarado**Last Action**

03/03/2021 S Referred to Health &amp; Human Services

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

Proposing a constitutional amendment requiring the state to expand eligibility for Medicaid to certain persons under the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:**

Health &amp; Human Services (In)

**Comment:**

B3 - Proposing constitutional amendment expand





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## Healthcare, Telehealth and Telemed

Legislature: 87th Legislature

<b>87(R) HB 4</b>	<b>Author:</b> Price   et al.
<b>Last Action</b>	03/01/2021 H Referred to Public Health
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to telemedicine, telehealth, and technology-related health care services.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Public Health (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Telemed expansion - top priority for the Speaker. Vehicle for telemed bills moving forward.
<b>87(R) HB 280</b>	<b>Author:</b> Cortez
<b>Last Action</b>	02/25/2021 H Referred to Public Health
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to an action plan to expand telemedicine medical services and telehealth services and increase access to critical medical care and health care services in this state.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Public Health (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Action plan to expand telemedicine medical
<b>87(R) HB 472</b>	<b>Author:</b> White
<b>Last Action</b>	02/25/2021 H Referred to Public Health
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to services provided by freestanding emergency medical care facilities.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Public Health (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Services provided by freestanding emergency
<b>87(R) HB 501</b>	<b>Author:</b> Wu
<b>Last Action</b>	03/01/2021 H Referred to Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to liability limits in a health care liability claim.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Judiciary & Civil Jurisprudence (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B3 - Liability limits health care liability claim
<b>87(R) HB 515</b>	<b>Author:</b> Oliverson   et al.
<b>Last Action</b>	03/01/2021 H Referred to Insurance
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the reimbursement and payment of claims by certain health benefit plan issuers for telemedicine medical services and telehealth services.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Insurance (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B3 - Reimburse. payment claims by health benefit plan issuers

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<b>87(R) HB 522</b>	<b>Author:</b> Johnson, Julie   et al.
<b>Last Action</b>	03/01/2021 H Referred to Insurance
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the reimbursement and payment of claims by certain health benefit plan issuers for telemedicine medical services and telehealth services.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Insurance (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B3 - Reimburse. payment claims by health benefit plan issuers
<b>87(R) HB 571</b>	<b>Author:</b> Gates
<b>Last Action</b>	03/01/2021 H Referred to Pensions, Investments & Financial Services
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the establishment of a bundled-pricing program to reduce certain health care costs in the state employees group benefits program.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Pensions, Investments & Financial Services (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Est of a bundled-pricing program to reduce certain health care costs in the state employees group benefits prog.
<b>87(R) HB 602</b>	<b>Author:</b> Hinojosa
<b>Last Action</b>	03/01/2021 H Referred to Insurance
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the provision of comprehensive health care benefits coverage through a publicly funded program to be known as the Healthy Texas Program; authorizing a fee.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Insurance (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B3 - Provision comprehensive health care benefits
<b>87(R) HB 974</b>	<b>Author:</b> Price   et al.
<b>Last Action</b>	03/01/2021 H Referred to Public Health
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to telemedicine, telehealth, and technology-related health care services.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Public Health (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Telemed expansion - top priority for Texas e-Health Alliance
<b>87(R) HB 4015</b>	<b>Author:</b> Guillen
<b>Last Action</b>	03/11/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the Rita Littlefield Chronic Kidney Disease Centralized Resource Center established within the Department of State Health Services.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Creation of Rita Littlefield Chronic Kidney Disease Resource Center
<b>87(R) SB 228</b>	<b>Author:</b> Blanco   et al.
<b>Last Action</b>	03/03/2021 S Referred to Business & Commerce
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the reimbursement and payment of claims by certain health benefit plan issuers for telemedicine medical services and telehealth services.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	Business & Commerce (In)
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Reimburse. payment claims by health benefit plan issuers

**87(R) SB 412**      **Author:** Buckingham | et al.  
**Last Action**      03/09/2021 S Referred to Health & Human Services  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to telemedicine, telehealth, and technology-related health care services.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**      Health & Human Services (In)  
**Comment:**      B2 - Telemed expansion - top priority for e-Health. Companion to HB 974



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## Higher Education

Legislature: 87th Legislature

<b>87(R) HB 15</b>	<b>Author:</b> Thompson, Senfronia
<b>Last Action</b>	03/01/2021 H Referred to Higher Education
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the creation of the Brain Institute of Texas; granting authority to issue bonds.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Higher Education (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	D2 - Brain Institute of Texas. CPRIT like model for brain research.
<b>87(R) HB 324</b>	<b>Author:</b> Howard
<b>Last Action</b>	02/25/2021 H Referred to Higher Education
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the establishment of the Texas Computational Health Research Institute.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Higher Education (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	D2 - Establishment the Computational Health Research Institute
<b>87(R) HB 449</b>	<b>Author:</b> Turner, Chris
<b>Last Action</b>	02/25/2021 H Referred to Higher Education
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds to fund capital projects at certain public institutions of higher education.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Higher Education (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	D1 - The issuance of tuition revenue bonds
<b>87(R) HB 2252</b>	<b>Author:</b> Oliverson
<b>Last Action</b>	02/24/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to prohibitions on the use of grant money awarded by the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas to procure or obtain organs from a hospital located in China.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	D2 - Prohibitions on use grant money awarded by CPRIT. Amends enacting chapter of CPRIT in the Health and Safety Code.
<b>87(R) HB 3003</b>	<b>Author:</b> Parker
<b>Last Action</b>	03/05/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the establishment of the Texas Reskilling and Upskilling through Education (TRUE) Initiative to support workforce education at public junior colleges.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	C2 - Establishes the Texas Reskilling & Upskilling through Education (TRUE) Initiative.

**87(R) HB 3579**      **Author:** Guerra  
**Last Action**      03/10/2021 H Filed  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to the university advisory committee of and procedure for making awards by the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      D2 - disrupt the peer review process for CPRIT

**87(R) HB 3625**      **Author:** Parker  
**Last Action**      03/10/2021 H Filed  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to the administration of the governor's university research initiative.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      C2 - Administration the governor's university research initiative. Tightens the definition of "distinguished researcher"

**87(R) HJR 5**      **Author:** Thompson, Senfronia  
**Last Action**      03/01/2021 H Referred to Higher Education  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Proposing a constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of general obligation bonds and the dedication of bond proceeds to the Brain Institute of Texas research fund established to fund brain research in this state.  
**House Committee:**      Higher Education (In)  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      D2 - Brain Institute of Texas. The issuance of bonds for institution funding

**87(R) SB 371**      **Author:** Powell  
**Last Action**      03/09/2021 S Referred to Higher Education  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to matching private grants given to enhance additional research activities at public institutions of higher education.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**      Higher Education (In)  
**Comment:**      D1 - Matching private grants in university research re: vaccines and pharmaceuticals

**87(R) SB 1102**      **Author:** Creighton  
**Last Action**      03/05/2021 S Filed  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to the establishment of the Texas Reskilling and Upskilling through Education (TRUE) Initiative to support workforce education at public junior colleges.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      C2 - Est. the Texas Reskilling & Upskilling through Education (TRUE) Initiative

**87(R) SB 1525**      **Author:** Creighton  
**Last Action**      03/11/2021 S Filed  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to the administration of the governor's university research initiative.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      C2 - Administration the governor's university research initiative. Tightens the definition of "distinguished researcher"

**87(R) SB 1680****Author:** Miles**Last Action**

03/11/2021 S Filed

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

Relating to authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds to fund capital projects at certain public institutions of higher education.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:****Comment:**

D1 - The issuance of tuition revenue bonds. Companion HB 449.



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## Immunizations

Legislature: 87th Legislature

<b>87(R) HB 325</b>	<b>Author:</b> Howard   et al.
<b>Last Action</b>	02/25/2021 H Referred to Public Health
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the immunization data included in and excluded from the immunization registry.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Public Health (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	A2 - Immunization data - request to be excluded from
<b>87(R) HB 2968</b>	<b>Author:</b> Cason
<b>Last Action</b>	03/05/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to informed consent to immunizations for children.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	A3 - Informed consent for vaccinations for children 3 and older. Changing age from 7 to 3. Refile from 86R
<b>87(R) SB 468</b>	<b>Author:</b> Zaffirini   et al.
<b>Last Action</b>	03/09/2021 S Referred to Health & Human Services
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the immunization data included in and excluded from the immunization registry.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	Health & Human Services (In)
<b>Comment:</b>	A2 - Immunization data - request to be excluded from
<b>87(R) SB 636</b>	<b>Author:</b> Seliger
<b>Last Action</b>	03/11/2021 S Referred to Health & Human Services
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to requirements for and the transparency of epidemiological reports and certain immunization exemption information and reports.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	Health & Human Services (In)
<b>Comment:</b>	A2 - Requirements and transparency on epidemiological reports and immunization exemption reports.

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## Incentive Programs/EcoDevo

**Legislature:** 87th Legislature**87(R) SB 74****Author:** Miles**Last Action**

03/03/2021 S Referred to Health &amp; Human Services

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

Relating to the contract terms of certain grants awarded by the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:**

Health &amp; Human Services (In)

**Comment:**

C2 - Contract terms grants awarded by CPRIT

**87(R) SB 150****Author:** Powell**Last Action**

03/03/2021 S Referred to Business &amp; Commerce

**Caption Version:**

Introduced

**Caption:**

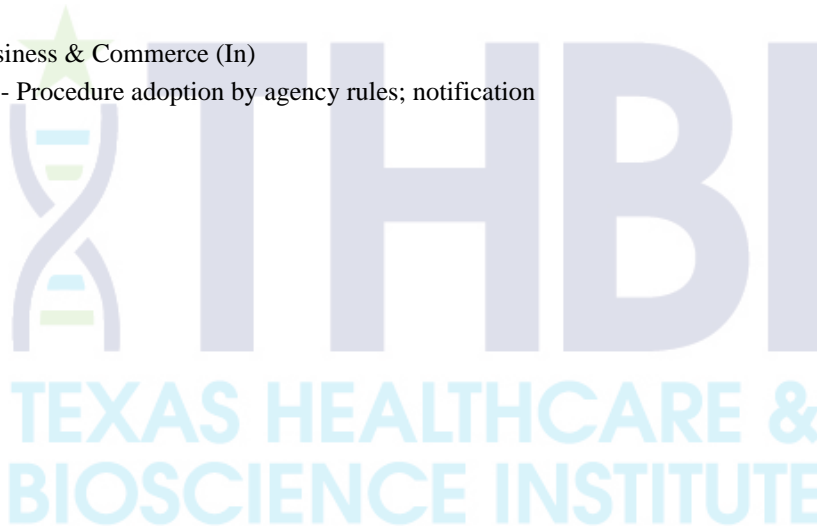
Relating to the procedure for adoption by a state agency of rules that may have an adverse economic effect on small businesses, micro-businesses, and rural communities.

**House Committee:****Senate Committee:**

Business &amp; Commerce (In)

**Comment:**

C2 - Procedure adoption by agency rules; notification





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## Insurance

## Legislature: 87th Legislature

<b>87(R) HB 40</b>	<b>Author:</b> Talarico
<b>Last Action</b>	02/25/2021 H Referred to Insurance
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to a cap on the monthly price of insulin and insulin supplies.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Insurance (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Cap on monthly price insulin supplies
<b>87(R) HB 82</b>	<b>Author:</b> Lucio III
<b>Last Action</b>	02/25/2021 H Referred to Insurance
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to pricing of and health benefit plan cost-sharing requirements for prescription insulin.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Insurance (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Pricing health benefit plan cost-sharing
<b>87(R) HB 410</b>	<b>Author:</b> Johnson, Julie
<b>Last Action</b>	03/09/2021 H Scheduled for public hearing on . . .
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to preauthorization of certain benefits by certain health benefit plan issuers.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Insurance (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Preauthorization benefits
<b>87(R) HB 1667</b>	<b>Author:</b> Thierry
<b>Last Action</b>	03/09/2021 H Referred to Insurance
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to a limit on cost-sharing requirements imposed by a health benefit plan for certain prescription insulin.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Insurance (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Limit on cost-sharing requirements imposed on prescription insulin.
<b>87(R) HB 1701</b>	<b>Author:</b> Price
<b>Last Action</b>	03/10/2021 H Referred to Insurance
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to pricing of and health benefit plan cost-sharing requirements for prescription insulin.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Insurance (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Pricing and cost-sharing requirements for prescription insulin.

<b>87(R) HB 1935</b>	<b>Author:</b> Bucy
<b>Last Action</b>	02/16/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to emergency refills of insulin and insulin-related equipment or supplies.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Allowing pharmacists to provide an emergency refill of insulin and insulin-related equip or supplies.
<b>87(R) HB 2090</b>	<b>Author:</b> Burrows
<b>Last Action</b>	02/23/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to health care cost disclosures by health benefit plan issuers and third-party administrators.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B3 - Health care cost disclosures by plan issuers. Creates new chapter in Insurance Code. Defines historical net price.
<b>87(R) HB 2504</b>	<b>Author:</b> González, Jessica   et al.
<b>Last Action</b>	03/01/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to health benefit plan coverage of prescription drugs for serious mental illnesses.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Coverage of prescription drugs for serious mental illnesses, prohibiting a plan from requiring a "fail-first".
<b>87(R) HB 2668</b>	<b>Author:</b> Price
<b>Last Action</b>	03/03/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the effect of certain reductions in a health benefit plan enrollee's out-of-pocket expenses for prescription drugs on enrollee cost-sharing requirements.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Requires plans and PBMs to apply discounts towards OOP max. Amends Ch 1369 of Ins Code relating to pres. drugs
<b>87(R) HB 3922</b>	<b>Author:</b> Oliverson
<b>Last Action</b>	03/11/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to information provided by health care providers and hospitals to certain patients regarding pharmaceutical manufacturer patient assistance programs for insulin.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Info provided by health care providers & hospitals regarding pharma manuf patient assist. programs for insulin
<b>87(R) SB 76</b>	<b>Author:</b> Miles
<b>Last Action</b>	03/03/2021 S Referred to Business & Commerce
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to a limit on cost-sharing requirements imposed by a health benefit plan for certain prescription insulin.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	Business & Commerce (In)
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Limit on cost-sharing requirements imposed

<b>87(R) SB 166</b>	<b>Author:</b> Blanco
<b>Last Action</b>	03/03/2021 S Referred to Business & Commerce
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to a limit on cost-sharing requirements imposed by a health benefit plan for certain prescription insulin.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	Business & Commerce (In)
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Limit on cost-sharing requirements imposed
<b>87(R) SB 523</b>	<b>Author:</b> Buckingham
<b>Last Action</b>	03/09/2021 S Referred to Business & Commerce
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the effect of certain reductions in a health benefit plan enrollee's out-of-pocket expenses for prescription drugs on enrollee cost-sharing requirements.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	Business & Commerce (In)
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Requires plans and PBMs to apply discounts towards OOP max. Amends Ch 1369 of Ins Code..
<b>87(R) SB 827</b>	<b>Author:</b> Kolkhorst   et al.
<b>Last Action</b>	03/17/2021 S Scheduled for public hearing on . . .
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to pricing of and health benefit plan cost-sharing requirements for prescription insulin.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	Health & Human Services (In)
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Pricing and cost-sharing requirements for prescription insulin.
<b>87(R) SB 1754</b>	<b>Author:</b> Johnson
<b>Last Action</b>	03/12/2021 S Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to information provided by health care providers and hospitals to certain patients regarding pharmaceutical manufacturer patient assistance programs for insulin.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Info provided by health care providers & hospitals regarding pharma manuf patient assist. programs for insulin
<b>87(R) SB 2051</b>	<b>Author:</b> Menéndez
<b>Last Action</b>	03/12/2021 S Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to health benefit plan coverage of prescription drugs for serious mental illnesses.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Coverage of prescription drugs for serious mental illnesses, prohibiting a plan from requiring a "fail-first".

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## Pharmaceutical

## Legislature: 87th Legislature

**87(R) HB 18**      **Author:** Oliverson  
**Last Action**      03/11/2021 H Filed  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to establishment of the prescription drug savings program for certain uninsured individuals.  
**House Committee:**  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      B1 - Est prescription drug savings program for the uninsured. Priority bill number for Speaker Phelan.

**87(R) HB 456**      **Author:** Shaheen  
**Last Action**      02/25/2021 H Referred to Public Health  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to the dispensing of certain drugs by physicians.  
**House Committee:**      Public Health (In)  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      B3 - Dispensing drugs by physicians

**87(R) HB 907**      **Author:** Johnson, Julie  
**Last Action**      03/16/2021 H Scheduled for public hearing on . . .  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to prior authorization for prescription drug benefits related to the treatment of chronic and autoimmune diseases.  
**House Committee:**      Insurance (In)  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      B2 - Prior authorization prescription drug

**87(R) HB 1033**      **Author:** Oliverson  
**Last Action**      03/16/2021 H Scheduled for public hearing on . . .  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to prescription drug price disclosure; authorizing a fee; providing an administrative penalty.  
**House Committee:**      Insurance (In)  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      B1 - Drug price disclosure - est. an industry fee. HHSC bill request.

**87(R) HB 1093**      **Author:** Lucio III  
**Last Action**      03/04/2021 H Referred to Insurance  
**Caption Version:**      Introduced  
**Caption:**      Relating to the regulation of pharmacy benefit managers and health benefit plan issuers in relation to prescription drug coverage.  
**House Committee:**      Insurance (In)  
**Senate Committee:**  
**Comment:**      B2 - Regulation of pharmacy benefit managers. Amends Insurance code that addresses prescription drug coverage.

<b>87(R) HB 1584</b>	<b>Author:</b> Lucio III
<b>Last Action</b>	03/08/2021 H Referred to Public Health
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the authority of an providers right to redispense.
<b>House Committee:</b>	Public Health (In)
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Authority of providers right to re-dispense, compounding prescription drugs and devices
<b>87(R) HB 2185</b>	<b>Author:</b> Parker
<b>Last Action</b>	02/24/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the promotion of off-label uses of certain drugs, biological products, and devices.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B3 - Prohibits disciplinary action for promotion of off-label use by pharma manufacturers.
<b>87(R) HB 2346</b>	<b>Author:</b> Klick
<b>Last Action</b>	02/25/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the determination of prescription drug reimbursement amounts under the Medicaid vendor drug program.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Determination prescription drug reimbursement. Companion to SB 299.
<b>87(R) HB 2822</b>	<b>Author:</b> Hull   et al.
<b>Last Action</b>	03/04/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the availability of antipsychotic prescription drugs under the vendor drug program and Medicaid managed care.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Prohibits the executive commissioner from requiring prior auth for antipsychotic pres drugs for adult patients
<b>87(R) HB 2981</b>	<b>Author:</b> Oliverson
<b>Last Action</b>	03/05/2021 H Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to establishment of the prescription drug savings program for certain uninsured individuals.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Est prescription drug savings program for the uninsured. Priority bill number for Speaker Phelan.
<b>87(R) SB 299</b>	<b>Author:</b> Hinojosa
<b>Last Action</b>	03/03/2021 S Referred to Health & Human Services
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the determination of prescription drug reimbursement amounts under the Medicaid vendor drug program.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	Health & Human Services (In)
<b>Comment:</b>	B3 - Determination prescription drug reimbursement

<b>87(R) SB 674</b>	<b>Author:</b> Buckingham
<b>Last Action</b>	03/11/2021 S Referred to Health & Human Services
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the availability of antipsychotic prescription drugs under the vendor drug program and Medicaid managed care.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	Health & Human Services (In)
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Prohibits the executive commissioner from requiring prior auth for antipsychotic pres drugs for adult patients
<b>87(R) SB 679</b>	<b>Author:</b> Kolkhorst
<b>Last Action</b>	03/11/2021 S Referred to Business & Commerce
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the regulation of pharmacy benefit managers and health benefit plan issuers in relation to prescription drug coverage.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	Business & Commerce (In)
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Regulation of pharmacy benefit managers. Amends Insurance code that addresses prescription drug coverage.
<b>87(R) SB 875</b>	<b>Author:</b> Hancock
<b>Last Action</b>	03/11/2021 S Referred to Business & Commerce
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to prescription drug price disclosure; authorizing a fee; providing an administrative penalty.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	Business & Commerce (In)
<b>Comment:</b>	B1 - Drug price disclosure - est. an industry fee.
<b>87(R) SB 1820</b>	<b>Author:</b> Bettencourt
<b>Last Action</b>	03/12/2021 S Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to the promotion of off-label uses of certain drugs, biological products, and devices.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B3 - Prohibits disciplinary action for promotion of off-label use by pharma manufacturers.
<b>87(R) SB 2043</b>	<b>Author:</b> Menéndez
<b>Last Action</b>	03/12/2021 S Filed
<b>Caption Version:</b>	Introduced
<b>Caption:</b>	Relating to prior authorization for prescription drug benefits related to the treatment of chronic and autoimmune diseases.
<b>House Committee:</b>	
<b>Senate Committee:</b>	
<b>Comment:</b>	B2 - Prior authorization prescription drug for chronic and autoimmune diseases. Companion to HB 907.

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**87(R) HB 1586****Author:** Lucio III**Last Action**

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**Caption:**

Relating to specialty prescription drug coverage.

**House Committee:**

Insurance (In)

**Senate Committee:****Comment:**

B2 - Specialty prescription drug coverage. Specialty drug defined. Amends Ch 1369 of Ins Code relating to pres. drugs.

