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Bill Update:

Senate Files

- [SF 4](#): Act relating to elimination of certificate of need process relating to development of new or changed institutional health service. **REGISTERED OPPOSED. DEAD.**
- [SF 17](#)- Act exempting from individual income tax the wages of individuals who provide services to disabled individuals and including effective date and applicability provisions. (No movement moved since it was introduced on 1/12). **REGISTERED UNDECIDED. DEAD**
- [SF 61](#)- Act relating to Medicaid program improvements, providing an appropriation, and including effective date provisions. (No movement since introduced on 1/14). **DEAD**
- [SF 92](#)- Act relating to reimbursement rates for health care services provided to covered persons by telehealth, effective date and retroactive applicability provisions. **REGISTERED FOR. DEAD.**
- [SF 138](#)- Act relating to rights of employees infected with COVID-19 under state workers' compensation program. (No movement since sub assigned 1/26). **DEAD.**
- [SF 154](#)- Act relating to reimbursement of hospitals for days awaiting placement through private insurance and Medicaid program. (No movement since sub assigned 1/27). **DEAD.**
- [SF161](#)- Act relating to health and LTSS workforce, including establishment of a centralized direct care workforce database and a consumer public portal. **DEAD.**
- [SF190](#)- Act relating to long-term services and supports provided under the Medicaid program, and including effective date provisions. **DEAD.**
- [SF200](#)- Act relating to office of the long-term care ombudsman, making an appropriation. **DEAD.**
- [SF203](#)- Act requiring use of inventory checklists upon commencement of a residential tenancy, including applicability provisions. (Companion HF534). **DEAD.**

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- **SF212-** Act creating Our Care, Our Options Act; providing penalties (companion HF475). **DEAD.**
- **SF296-** Relating to practice of pharmacy, including the prescription and administration of vaccines and collaborative pharmacy practice. (Companion HF794).
- **SF348-** Act relating to opening, administration, termination of adult and minor guardianships and conservatorships. (companion bill- HSB38) (formerly SF31). Voted out of Senate- 3/8
- **SF354-** Relating to continuing education requirements for persons holding certain professional and occupational licenses. Read first time in House, referred to State Government- 2/18
- **SF364-** Act allowing certain deductions relating to the paycheck protection program. (Formerly SSB1175). **REGISTERED FOR.** Message from House, with amendment S-3046 - 3/3.
- **SF378-** Act relating to requirements for authorized electronic monitoring in nursing facilities and providing penalties. (Companion to HF268) 2/16- Introduced, referred to Human Resources. **REGISTERED OPPOSED. DEAD.**
- **SF379-** Act relating to reimbursement rates for Medicaid long-term services and supports providers. **DEAD.**
- **SF391-** Relating to financial exploitation of designated eligible adults; makes appropriation. (Formerly SSB 1131) (Companion HF258). Full committee approved- 2/16. **REGISTERED FOR.**
- **SF429-** Act relating to the office of the state long-term care ombudsman and making an appropriation. (Companion HF118). **DEAD.**
- **SF450-**A bill for an act relating to the definition of dependent adult abuse and providing penalties. (Formerly SF300). Committee approved- 2/24. **REGISTERED FOR. Fiscal Note.**
- **SF471-** Act relating to occupational safety and health standards, employment matters, reporting requirements, and civil liability concerning COVID-19, providing penalties and remedies, and including effective date provisions. **DEAD.**
- **SF490-** Act creating a new resident tax credit available against the individual income tax and including applicability provisions. (Formerly SSB1033) Committee approved- 3/1
- **SF491-** Act relating to grants for new remote workers who relocate to this state and who are employed by an out-of-state employer and creating and making appropriations to the new remote worker grant fund. (Formerly SSB1032). Referred to Appropriations- 3/8.
- **SF496-** Act prohibiting employers from entering into noncompete agreements with low-wage employees. Committee approved- 3/1
- **SF502-** Act providing a nursing home visitation shelter tax credit available against the individual and corporate income taxes, including effective date and applicability provisions. **DEAD**
- **SF507-** Act relating to long-term care facility and hospital practices including patient visitation and protections and providing civil penalties. Subcommittee: Edler, Costello, and Mathis- 3/8.

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- [SF522](#)- Act relating to older individuals and dependent adults and creating certain criminal offenses and civil actions and providing penalties. (Formerly SF202). (Companion HF353). Committee approved-3/2. [Fiscal Note](#)- 3/8.
- [SF555](#)- Relating to requirements/prohibitions relating to vaccines and immunizations, providing civil remedies (Companion to HF330). **REGISTERED OPPOSED**. Committee approved- 3/4.
- [SF557](#)- Act relating to noneconomic damage awards against health care providers. (Formerly SSB1225) (Companion HF592). **REGISTERED FOR**. Senate- committee approved- 3/4.



Senate Concurrent Resolutions

- [SCR5](#)- A concurrent resolution encouraging U.S. Congress to provide flexibility to states in determining visitation practices in nursing facilities. Introduced by Senator Chapman. Passed committee- 3/4. **REGISTERED UNDECIDED**.

Senate Study Bills

- [SSB1007](#)- Act relating to opening administration, and termination of adult guardianships and adult and minor conservatorships and terminology changes to the probate code. **DEAD**.
- [SSB1031](#)- Act concerning the circumstances under which employers can enter into noncompete agreements with employees and including applicability provisions. **DEAD**.
- [SSB1034](#)- Act establishing a new resident homestead rebate for certain individuals relocating to the state, establishing a new resident homestead rebate fund, and making appropriations. **REGISTERED FOR. DEAD**.
- [SSB1096](#)- Relating to use of generally accepted accounting principles relative to determining allowable costs when reviewing Medicaid provider cost reports. (Companion bill- HSB8). No movement since sub assigned- 1/27. **DEAD**.
- [SSB1164](#)- Relating to Medicaid program processes and oversight. (Companion HSB169). **REGISTERED FOR. This is an IHCA initiated bill regarding MCO accountability. DEAD**.
- [SSB1210](#)- Act relating to tort liability, including employer liability in actions arising from an employee's negligence, punitive or exemplary damages, and noneconomic damages available against operators of motor vehicles. (companion HSB217). **DEAD**.
- [SSB1222](#)- Act relating to provision of transportation services under the Medicaid program. **DEAD**.

House Files

- [HF 16](#)- Act relating to the termination of Medicaid managed care contracts and including effective date provisions. **DEAD**.
- [HF 20](#)- Act requiring employers to provide employees with meal periods and rest periods and providing penalties. **DEAD**.

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- [HF 34](#)- Act creating new resident and new graduate tax credits, available against the individual income tax, and including retroactive applicability provisions. **REGISTERED FOR. DEAD.**
- [HF50](#)- Act relating to third-party payment of insurance benefits for medically necessary food, vitamins, and individual amino acids, for certain covered conditions, and including applicability provisions. **DEAD.**
- [HF118](#)- Act relating to the office of the state long-term care ombudsman and making an appropriation. (Companion SF429). **DEAD.**
- [HF132](#)- Relates to online continuing education courses to maintain a professional license. **DEAD.**
- [HF190](#)- Relates to cross-over visitation between residents/tenants in shared campus long-term care facility during national public health emergency or public health disaster. **REGISTERED UNDECIDED. DEAD.**
- [HF191](#)- Act relating to visitation restrictions applicable to nursing facilities during a national public health emergency or public health disaster. **REGISTERED UNDECIDED. DEAD.**
- [HF196](#)- Expands the health care professional recruitment program. (Formerly HF5). Passed committee- 2/24.
- [HF255](#)- Act relating to duties performed by physician assistants. Committee scheduled- 3/10.
- [HF258](#)- Relates to financial exploitation of designated eligible adults. (companion SF391).
- [HF262](#)- Act relating to the refilling of a prescription in emergency situations. (Formerly HSB 51.) **REGISTERED FOR** Passed House- 2/8. Messaged to senate and assigned Subcommittee.
- [HF263](#)- Act relating to insurance coverage for prescription insulin drugs, including applicability provisions. (Formerly HSB50). Passed House- 2/8. Messaged to senate and assigned Subcommittee: Edler, Costello, and Jochum- 2/16.
- [HF268](#)- Act relating to requirements for authorized electronic monitoring in nursing facilities, providing penalties. (companion SF378). **REGISTERED OPPOSED. DEAD.**
- [HF329](#)- Act relating to exemption from immunization based upon prerequisite conditions relative to a vaccine. **REGISTERED OPPOSED. DEAD.**
- [HF330](#)- Act relating to requirements and prohibitions relating to vaccines and immunizations and providing civil remedies. (companion to SF193). **REGISTERED OPPOSED. DEAD.**
- [HF353](#)- Act relating to older individuals and dependent adults and creating certain criminal offenses and civil actions, providing penalties. (Companion to SF522). No movement since introduced on 3/2. **DEAD.**
- [HF404](#)- Relates to practice of alternative/complementary medicine; penalties applicable. **DEAD.**
- [HF431](#)- Act relating to the provision of audio-only telehealth or telemedicine by health care professionals. (Formerly HF 88.) **REGISTERED FOR.** Passed House- 2/16. Subcommittee of Senators Costello, Mathis, and Sweeney assigned- 2/23.

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- [HF447](#)- Act relating to evaluation of Medicaid-managed care long-term services and supports. Introduced 2/9. **DEAD.**
- [HF453](#)- Act prohibiting the imposition of certain requirements on nonprofit corporations by state agencies or state officials. [Amendment](#)- 3/8.
- [HF466](#)- Act requiring implicit bias training for health-related professionals. **DEAD.**
- [HF474](#)- Act relating to office of long-term care ombudsman and making an appropriation. **DEAD.**
- [HF475](#)- Act creating the our care, our options Act, providing penalties. (companion SF212). **DEAD.**
- [HF512](#)- Act excluding from Iowa net income federal recovery rebates, certain paycheck protection program loan forgiveness, and pandemic-related unemployment compensation, and including effective date and retroactive applicability provisions.
- [HF539](#)- Relates to prescribing authority of prescribing practitioners during public health disaster. **DEAD.**
- [HF543](#)- Act creating a senior housing tax credit program, including effective date and applicability provisions. Introduced, referred to Ways and Means. - 2/16.
- [HF549](#)- Relates to regulatory provisions applicable to care provided in health care facilities and assisted living programs. (Formerly HSB140). **REGISTERED FOR.** On debate calendar. [Amendment](#).
- [HF571](#)- Relating to visitation policies in nursing facilities/hospitals. **REGISTERED OPPOSED. DEAD.**
- [HF573](#)- Act relating to minimum per hour wage provided to home health aides under the Medicaid program, and making an appropriation. **DEAD.**
- [HF592](#)- Act relating to noneconomic damage awards against health care providers. (Formerly HF517). **REGISTERED FOR.** On debate calendar, 2/18.
- [HF672](#)- Act relating to development of an implementation plan for a centralized direct care workforce database. **DEAD.**
- [HF676](#)- Act requiring the use of inventory checklists upon commencement of a residential tenancy and including applicability provisions. (Companion SF203). On debate calendar- 2/23.
- [HF688](#)- Act relating to COVID-19 vaccine clinics, making an appropriation, and providing effective and applicability dates. **DEAD.**
- [HF689](#)- Act relating to oversight of expenditures of federal funds relating to COVID-19 pandemic and including effective date provisions. **DEAD.**
- [HF692](#)- Act relating to the direct care workforce, including the expansion of the direct care workforce registry. (Formerly HF402).
- [HF703](#)- Act providing for standards for mitigation of infectious disease under state occupational health and safety law, making penalties applicable, including effective date provisions. **DEAD.**
- [HF717](#)- Act creating a home retrofitting tax credit available against the individual income tax, including applicability provisions. Introduced 3/3, referred to Ways and Means. **REGISTERED FOR.**

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- [HF731](#)- Act prohibiting certain health carriers from excluding certain out-of-state health care professionals from participating as providers, via telehealth, under the carriers' policies, plans, and contracts; including effective date, provisions. Introduced, on debate calendar- 3/3.
- [HF736](#)- Act relating to the time frame applicable to the adjustment of overpayment of claims under the Medicaid program, and including effective date provisions. (Formerly HSB225). On debate calendar- 3/3.
- [HF764](#)- Act relating to disciplinary hearings conducted by professional licensing boards. Committee passed- 3/2.
- [HF784](#)- Act relating to reimbursement rates for health care services provided to covered persons by telehealth, including applicability provisions. (Formerly HF706). Debate calendar- House- 3/4.
- [HF767](#)- Act relating to participating network provider pharmacies/pharmacists under managed care. (Formerly HSB224). **REGISTERED FOR**. Introduced, placed on debate calendar- 3/5.
- [HF769](#)- Act relating to information to be provided, recorded, and reported by health care providers relative to certain vaccinations, and providing penalties. Placed on calendar- 3/5.
- [HF784](#)- Act relating to reimbursement rates for health care services provided to covered persons by telehealth including applicability provisions. (formerly HF704). On calendar- 3/5
- [HF794](#)- Act relating to the practice of pharmacy, including the prescription and administration of vaccines and collaborative pharmacy practice. (Formerly HSB91) (Companion bill SF296).
- [HF803](#)- Act relating to duties performed by physician assistants. (Formerly HSB255)

House Study Bills

- [HSB8](#)- Act relating to the use of generally accepted accounting principles relative to determining allowable costs when reviewing Medicaid provider cost reports. (companion SSB 1096). No movement since sub cancelled on 1/20. **DEAD.**
- [HSB27](#)- Act relating to opening administration, termination of adult guardianships and adult and minor conservatorships and terminology changes to the probate code. **DEAD.**
- [HSB38](#)- Act relating to opening, administration, and termination of adult and minor guardianships and conservatorships. (companion bill- SF348); 1/19/2021- Subcommittee recommends passage.
- [HSB169](#)- Relating to Medicaid program processes and oversight. (companion SSB1164). **REGISTERED FOR. This is an IHCA initiated bill regarding MCO accountability. DEAD.**
- [HSB217](#)- Act relating to tort liability, including employer liability in actions arising from an employee's negligence, punitive or exemplary damages, and noneconomic damages available against operators of motor vehicles. (Companion SSB1210). **DEAD.**