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## **Budget Update**

The Senate and House have all the ingredients for a melt down over the budget, but I predict it will be short lived and the budget will pass on time.

The dispute continues over the lump sum budgeting, aka “pooling”, which gives the governor tremendous flexibility on how to spend the money in the budget; the conversion of the portion of the state in a fee for service Medicaid system to Medicaid Managed Care and finally the 6% reductions in Medicaid and 4% in Health and Senior Services. This may remind you a bit of the federal issue we are experiencing with Medicare where congress is attempting to balance the program’s costs on the backs of providers.

While the Senate Appropriations Chairman’s intention is not to cut provider rates, and in fact has concurred with the House on a rate increase, the budget as passed by the Senate likely produces a different result.

The House has dug in against the Senate’s position and interest groups and providers are calling anyone they can find to block the senate proposal and restore line item budgeting and restoring the money reduced by the senate.

The Committee approved the Regional Coordination Super User project and granted a 3% rate increase for ED Physicians **beginning January 1, 2016 (half way into the new fiscal year)**, both of which are good.

The Governor added some relief late last week when he announced an upgrade to the

States fiscal picture by increasing anticipated revenues by \$80M. That will be enough to backfill most of the reductions made by the Senate, which many believe will be felt primarily by providers receiving lower rates. **The legislature is not too eager at this point to use that money.**

**ACTION NEEDED - Senators Needing Contact – [Contact Information](#) -ask them to reinstate line item budgeting for each service/provider (i.e dental or pharmacy or in home etc.) and reverse the “pooling” idea.**

**Dan Brown** - Camden, Crawford, Dent, Phelps and Pulaski -

**Mike Kehoe** - Counties of Cole, Gasconade, Maries, Miller, Moniteau, Morgan and Osage –

**Talking Points – Rates for ED Physicians are already unbelievably low (approx. \$25) AND the 6% cut in Medicaid and 4% cut in Mental Health approved will impact provider rates. ED Physicians HAVE TO TREAT ALL patients that come to the ED, unlike other providers who can simply choose not to take Medicaid. We do not have that option. We would ask that you vote to reverse the cuts in conference.**

**MMAC Reform – assigned to Senate Committee**

The MMAC reform legislation passed the House and **was heard in the Senate Veterans and Health Committee.** It continues to maintain support from legislators and multiple provider groups.

**APRN (Independent Practice) Legislation Remains Stalled** – over the past several sessions, the APRN’s have attempted to weaken the current laws governing the collaborative practice arrangements. We have opposed their past proposals. This year appears to be no different. Representative Burlison, who noted above, is also our Med Mal champion, has filed a bill (HB633), which erodes the collaborative agreement between a physician and APRN.

**HB 633 Burlison, Eric** - Changes the laws regarding collaborative practice arrangements between advanced practice registered nurses and physicians.

**Bill Status** – This bill was heard before the Professional Registration Committee. The chain pharmacy stores (Walgreens and CVS) testified in support and the nurses and docs testified in opposition oddly enough.

This bill was passed out of committee. The substitute attempts to satisfy the physician community, the nurses and the pharmacy clinics. That is a tough chore, and the language is unclear to most. I will meet with the sponsor. The Select Committee Chairman is holding the bill until more agreement is reached between the docs, nurses and chain pharmacies.

**SB 415-Wasson** - Modifies provisions of law regarding advanced practice registered nurses practicing under collaborative practice arrangements.

**Bill Status** – This bill has not been assigned to committee.

**Schedule II Legislation Hydrocodone Only Passes Committee**

While we are on the topic of nurses, Senator Wallingford presented this bill to the Senate Financial and Professional Registration Committee. The bill as filed allows nurses to prescribe all schedule II drugs. This bill is now limited to Hydrocodone only, since the APRN's used to prescribe this prior to the reclassification to a Schedule II. **The House bill has cleared committee and the Senate bill is on the calendar for debate.**

**SB 313 Wallingford(R)** Modifies the types of controlled substances that can be prescribed by advanced practice registered nurses.

**Bill History:** 02-12-15 **Passed out of Senate Committee**

### **Medical Malpractice – Senate Bill Heard and Passed House Committee**

The Senate Medical Malpractice Non Economic Damages bill was heard before the House Health and Mental Health Committee this week, and was immediately passed out of the standing committee and the next morning out of the Select Committee. It will receive a high slot on the House Debate Calendar. I will testified in support of the bill.

### **Observational Status Clears Committee**

Three bills have been filed (the two house bills were heard last week) to provide the patient with better information on their status in the hospital (inpatient versus Observation) and how their particular status will affect their coverage benefits. This has been a Medicare issue, therefore cannot be changed at the State level, but the explanation to the patient can be governed by the Missouri General Assembly. We want to ensure the patient receives the necessary information and not turn the physician and other practitioners staffing the ED into health benefit counselors. **This bill places the responsibility on the hospital admission staff, in lieu of the ED staff, of notifying the patient. The full floor then accepted the amendment and passed the bill. It now awaits Senate Committee assignment.**

**HB 712 Solon(R)** Requires hospitals to provide notice to patients regarding whether they are being admitted or placed in observation status.

**Bill History:** **Passed House – Referred to Senate Health Committee – Likely be heard this week. This bill is in good form.**

### **Capping Medicaid Reimbursement for ED**

**SB 407 - Onder** - This act provides that when an MO HealthNet participant receives Current Procedural Terminology emergency department levels 1 to 3 services, such services shall be reimbursed at no greater than 100 percent of the Medicare reimbursement base rate. I am not sure what spurred a physician to sponsor this bill, but will meet with him next week.

**Bill Status – This bill was heard before the Senate Veterans Affairs committee this week. The sponsor noted this did not affect provider rates, but the institution/facility (Hospital) fee only. This is an attempt to get hospitals to refer patients who truly do not need the ED. The Hospital Association opposed the bill stating Medicare rates are below cost, and therefore capping Medicaid rates would be problematic.**

### **Capping Reimbursement for all Providers**

[HB 1013 Eggleston\(R\)](#) Establishes the Fair Individual Health Pricing Act. This bill states that the highest rate that a health care provider shall accept as payment in full for health care services from an uninsured individual shall be no greater than the lowest rate that the provider accepts from a health carrier or Medicare as payment in full for the same or similar health care services

**Bill History:** 02-19-15 H Introduced and read first time – **No Hearing**

### **Medicaid Eligibility Expansion**

**Sen Silvey finally got to present his version of Medicaid Expansion to the Senate Health Committee, and finished the hearing this week. As you can imagine, the bill enjoyed widespread support with nearly zero opposition. Despite the lopsided support, the bill will likely get no further this session.**

Sen. Silvey sponsored the last bill of the year in the Senate on Thursday as the Senate cut off introduction of new bills. While I reported earlier his final episode of the Medicaid trilogy had been revealed, he slipped one more in, which really reformulates Medicaid by including transparency, CON, Block Grant and expansion all into one whopper of a bill. I wish I could report that one of his bills would pass, but I do not believe that will be the case. This would expand Medicaid eligibility to more adults, however it has been a political hot button and will not pass.

[SB 287- Silvey](#) - Allows **veterans and their spouses** and dependent children, as well as spouses and dependent children of deceased veterans, to be eligible for MO HealthNet benefits – this bill has not yet been referred to committee.

[SB 301](#) - Modifies provisions relating to public assistance and MO HealthNet – this is a comprehensive overhaul of Medicaid and CON.

This bill was introduced.

[SB 419 Silvey\(R\)](#) Creates the Healthcare Transformation Trust Fund.

**Bill History:** 02-09-15 S Introduced and read first time

[SB 566 Silvey\(R\)](#) Transformation of the health care market

**Bill History:** 02-26-15 S Introduced and read first time

### **PDMP Bill Passes House**

**The House PDMP bill was heard in the Senate Transportation and Public Safety Committee this week. I testified in support.** As you recall this is the good version of the bill. I want to get this bill through the Senate, despite the bad amendments it will attract. WE can go to conference and draft the best possible version and see if it can clear the senate on an up of down vote.

[HB130 Rehder, Holly](#) - Establishes the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Act

**Bill Status – Passed House and is awaiting Senate Committee assignment**

### **Tele-health Legislation**

Tele-health has become the hot topic this session. The three, no wait, now four bills floating thus far are Jay Barnes bill (HB319), which gives Medicaid the authority to pay providers for services utilizing Tele-health; Representative Sue Allen's version (HB965), which overhauls the Tele-health industry but still specific to Medicaid, Representative

Frederick's idea to further define Tele-health, including "store and forward" and its permitted uses (HB1014) and now Senator Gary Romine's bill, [Senate Bill 230](#), which originally was a Medicaid overhaul bill, was narrowed dramatically in committee last week to tele-health only. This version mirrors HB319.

The three House bills were rolled into HB319, which passed the House and was assigned to the Senate Veterans and Health Committee.

### **Helmet Bill Scheduled for Senate Hearing.**

The repeal of the helmet law passed the House and is now scheduled for a hearing in the Senate Transportation Committee. The Senate version has not made much progress and believe the House bill, now that it is in the Senate will suffer the same. I do believe MoCEP should have a physician speak in opposition on Wednesday at 8:15 am.

### **HMO Cost Sharing – Assigned to Senate Committee**

**ACTION NEEDED** – If you live or practice in the following counties (Benton, Cedar, Dallas, Hickory, Laclede, Pettis, Polk and St. Clair) call the Chairman of the Committee and ask that he oppose the bill. Also if you live in one of the [Senate Insurance Committee members' districts](#), call them as well. If you do not know who your senator is, just click on the committee members name and on the right side of their Bio page, you will see a list of the counties they represent. If you don't know what county you live in, then ignore this action alert.

**Talking Points** – House Bill 766 increases cost sharing to patients, likely resulting in larger bills they can not pay to the providers leaving ED physicians/hospitals with larger accts receivable.

This bill allows insurance companies to sell HMO products with higher cost sharing to patients. The law currently does not allow large cost shares, therefore insurance company is responsible for the majority of the reimbursement to providers. If a higher cost share is allowed, the person will likely purchase a plan with a little lower premium, but then will not be able to pay their cost share to the provider when they need services, resulting in a higher accts receivable to you.

**HB 766 Jones(R)** Allows health maintenance organizations to require cost sharing as a condition of receiving health care services .

**Bill History:** 04-02-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Small Bus./Insurance/Industry – **NO HEARING SCHEDULED**

### **Out of Network Medicaid Services**

**SB243** , sponsored by Senator Schmitt, would require Medicaid managed care companies to meet a 85% MLR, similar to that of private insurance; BUT the bill does not require a full refund of the amount they were short of the MLR.

Second, the bill states;

“For services that do not meet the definition of emergency services, a Medicaid managed care organization shall be required to reimburse out of network providers at the published MO HealthNet Medicaid fee-for- service schedule at the time of the service. A

Medicaid managed care organization shall document three good faith attempts to include the provider in their network, using their standard participating provider agreement and fee schedule. “

### **Omnibus EMS Bill passes House**

This bill has several topics including changes to the **TIF Special Allocation Fund, Community Paramedic law, Critical Time Diagnosis, Disciplinary Action of an EMT and terms of Regional EMS Directors.**

**HB 868 Rhoads(R)** Modifies provisions related to emergency medical services.

**Bill History:** 02-10-15 passed out of committee. The big amendment that was placed on this bill, will allow the 96 hour hold rule to begin when a person, who a physician or law enforcement believes needs psych treatment/eval, enters the ambulance. The current law does not allow the hold rule to begin at that time therefore the EMS crew can not restrain during the transport, and has literally had to stop the ambulance and let the person out.

### **Latest information in red text**

#### **Bills File to Date:**

**HB 27 Kratky(D)** Prohibits drivers of non-commercial vehicles from text messaging while operating a moving vehicle unless the device being used is equipped with technology allowing for voice-recognition hands-free text.

**Bill History:** 01-08-15 H Read second time

**HB 31 Gosen(R)** Changes the laws regarding the defense of lawsuits against insureds.

**Bill History:** 01-20-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Property/Casualty/Life Insurance

**HB 113 Kidd(R)** Establishes "Simon's Law", which changes the laws regarding life-sustaining or nonbeneficial treatment policies of health care facilities.

**Bill History:** 02-25-15 H Public hearing completed

**HB 118 Burlison(R)** Establishes a statutory cause of action replacing the common law action for damages against a health care provider for personal injury arising out of the rendering of or failure to render health services.

**Bill History:** 04-02-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Small Bus./Insurance/Industry

**HB 130 Rehder(R)** Establishes the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Act.

**Bill History:** 04-15-15 S Hearing conducted

**HB 261 Frederick(R)** Allows for direct primary care to be provided through a medical retainer agreement between the physician and patient.

**Bill History:** 01-14-15 H Withdrawn

**HB 265 Frederick(R)** Enacts the Medical Practice Freedom Act which prohibits state licensure of physicians, chiropractors, optometrists, and dentist to be conditioned on participation in any public or private health insurance.

**Bill History:** 04-14-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Health Insurance

**HB 284 White(R)** Requires a health carrier to provide access to its standard fee schedules, prohibits a carrier from refusing to contract with any willing provider, and changes the requirements for provider referrals.

**Bill History:** 04-14-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Health Insurance

**HB 319 Barnes(R)** Changes the laws regarding the provision of telehealth services.

**Bill History:** 04-09-15 S Reported to the Senate and first read

**HB 498 Spencer(R)** Prohibits any person under the age of 18 from operating a motorcycle or motortricycle without protective headgear.

**Bill History:** 01-14-15 H Read second time

**HB 521 Bahr(R)** Changes the laws regarding midwifery.

**Bill History:** 03-17-15 H Meeting set for 12:30 PM or Morning Recess/.....,House-Professional Registration

**HB 523 Burlison(R)** Exempts motorcyclists 21 years of age or older from wearing a helmet when operating a motorcycle or motortricycle if they have the appropriate health insurance coverage.

**Bill History:** 04-13-15 S Reported to the Senate and first read

**HB 538 Lynch(R)** Allows physicians to prescribe naloxone to any individual to administer, in good faith, to another individual suffering from an opiate-induced drug overdose.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 H Set on the House Calendar

**HB 551 Fitzpatrick(R)** Sets a reimbursement rate for primary care physicians under Medicaid and requires MO HealthNet to contract with a third party for eligibility verification.

**Bill History:** 04-14-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Health and Mental Health Policy

**HB 589 Hough(R)** Requires the Missouri Medicaid Audit and Compliance Unit to notify providers of any changes in the interpretation or application of the requirements for reimbursement.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 S Hearing conducted

**HB 591 Kelley(R)** Prohibits law enforcement agencies from stopping a motorcyclist for failing to wear protective headgear.

**Bill History:** 02-10-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Public Safety/Emergency Preparedness

**HB 596 McGaugh(R)** Modifies provisions relating to the collateral source rule and provides that parties may introduce evidence of the cost, rather than the value, of the medical treatment rendered.

**Bill History:** 02-11-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Civil and Criminal Proceedings

**HB 599 McGaugh(R)** Establishes the Hospital Observation Status Consumer Notification Act.

**Bill History:** 02-18-15 H Public hearing completed

**HB 617 Frederick(R)** Requires hospitals and ambulatory surgical centers to report prices for most common procedures.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 H Meeting set for 3:15 PM, HR 6 - House-Select-Social Services

**HB 633 Burlison(R)** Changes the laws regarding collaborative practice arrangements between advanced practice registered nurses and physicians.

**Bill History:** 03-12-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Select-General Laws

**HB 634 Burlison(R)** Establishes guidelines for the regulation of occupations and professions not regulated by the Division of Professional Registration.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 H Set on the House Calendar

**HB 660 Ross(R)** Requires MO HealthNet participants to pay a co-payment of eight dollars for the use of emergency room services for the treatment of nonemergency conditions.

**Bill History:** 03-11-15 H Meeting set for Upon Morning Recess, HR 5 House-Health and Mental Health Policy

**HB 663 McNeil(D)** Requires the governor to maintain and regularly update a list of each state board, commission, committee, or council that contains members appointed by the governor.

**Bill History:** 03-11-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Select-Judiciary

**HB 671 Frederick(R)** Removes the examination restrictions for licensure of physicians which limit the number of times the examination can be taken to three and the time for passage of the examination to seven years.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 H Set on the House Calendar

**HB 683 Koenig(R)** Specifies that the state shall not require any form of maintenance of licensure, specialty board certification, or maintenance certification to practice medicine within the state.

**Bill History:** 04-08-15 H Superseded by - see HB 671

HB 709 Gosen(R) Allows the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration to issue bulletins and no-action letters addressing the business of insurance in the state.

**Bill History:** 04-14-15 S Hearing conducted

HB 712 Solon(R) Requires hospitals to provide notice to patients regarding whether they are being admitted or placed in observation status.

**Bill History:** 04-09-15 S Reported to the Senate and first read

HB 714 Lauer(R) Changes the laws regarding 911 emergency communications services.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 H Set on the House Calendar

HB 718 Fitzwater-144(R) Requires all hospitals and health care providers who receive MO HealthNet funding to provide health care services to the Department of Corrections.

**Bill History:** 03-12-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Health and Mental Health Policy

HB 720 Redmon(R) Allows advanced practice registered nurses to prescribe controlled substances listed in Schedule II.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Select-Social Services

HB 766 Jones(R) Allows health maintenance organizations to require cost sharing as a condition of receiving health care services .

**Bill History:** 04-02-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Small Bus./Insurance/Industry

HB 795 Hinson(R) Specifies that EMT's who divert MO HealthNet recipients who do not require emergency treatment from emergency departments to other facilities shall be eligible for an additional reimbursement.

**Bill History:** 02-04-15 H Read second time

HB 804 Swan(R) Requires persons certified and providing homebirth services to provide proof of malpractice insurance coverage prior to providing services.

**Bill History:** 04-14-15 H Public hearing completed

HB 806 Cornejo(R) Adds a motorcycle registration surcharge of \$5 to be deposited in the Motorcycle Safety Trust Fund for motorcycle safety programs.

**Bill History:** 03-31-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Transportation

HB 816 Engler(R) Establishes the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Act.

**Bill History:** 04-07-15 H Reported do pass as substituted House-Select-Insurance

HB 832 Brown-57(R) Specifies that cone beam computed tomography (CBCT) systems and panoramic x-ray systems shall not be inspected more frequently than every six years.

**Bill History:** 04-15-15 H Perfected

**HB 911 Neely(R)** Requires the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration to develop a standard prior authorization form, which all health carriers shall be required to use.

**Bill History:** 04-08-15 H Public hearing completed

**HB 965 Allen(R)** Changes the laws regarding the provision of telehealth services under the MO HealthNet program.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 H Set on the House Calendar

**HB 1013 Eggleston(R)** Establishes the Fair Individual Health Pricing Act.

**Bill History:** 04-01-15 H Public hearing completed

**HB 1014 Frederick(R)** Establishes the criteria for the use of asynchronous store-and-forward technology in the practice of telehealth.

**Bill History:** 04-09-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Select-Social Services

**HB 1025 Johnson(R)** Specifies that any person 21 years of age or older who is traveling through Missouri at certain times and is not required by his or her state of residence to wear a helmet shall not be required to wear a helmet.

**Bill History:** 02-25-15 H Read second time

**HB 1126 Johnson(R)** Specifies that the requirement that every person operating or riding on a motorcycle on any state highway wear protective headgear will not apply from August 1 through August 21 of each year.

**Bill History:** 03-09-15 H Read second time

**HB 1147 Hinson(R)** Requires any firefighter, emergency medical technician, and first responder who has reasonable cause to believe an in-home services client has been abused or neglected to report the alleged abuse or neglect.

**Bill History:** 03-10-15 H Read second time

**HB 1156 Allen(R)** Changes the laws regarding public assistance.

**Bill History:** 03-11-15 H Read second time

**HB 1160 McCreery(D)** Increases the tax on cigarettes to 62 cents per pack.

**Bill History:** 03-11-15 H Read second time

**HB 1190 Neely(R)** Prohibits any hospital from denying medical staff privileges for any health care professional if such privileges were not lost due to misconduct.

**Bill History:** 04-01-15 H Public hearing completed

**HB 1193 McDaniel(R)** Prohibits employers from asking prospective employees about their race.

**Bill History:** 03-18-15 H Public hearing completed

**HB 1246 Jones(R)** Changes the laws regarding health care decisions.

**Bill History:** 03-16-15 H Read second time

**HB 1274 Austin(R)** Allows a court to modify a jury's verdict in an action against a health care provider for medical malpractice.

**Bill History:** 03-16-15 H Read second time

**HB 1302 Frederick(R)** Prohibits a health carrier or health benefit plan from offering a health benefit plan that provides incentives to the provide to encourage the prescription of specific medicines, protocols, or treatment

**Bill History:** 03-16-15 H Read second time

**HJR 22 White(R)** Proposes a constitutional amendment limiting the liability for noneconomic damages and authorizes the General Assembly to adjust the amount as necessary by law.

**Bill History:** 02-25-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Select-Judiciary

**HJR 23 Koenig(R)** Proposes a constitutional amendment phasing out the state individual income tax and replacing the current state sales and use tax with a state sales tax on specified retail sales and services.

**Bill History:** 01-08-15 H Read second time

**HJR 40 LaFaver(D)** Proposes a constitutional amendment relating to the expansion of the MO HealthNet program.

**Bill History:** 02-19-15 H Read second time

**HJR 50 Corlew(R)** Proposes a constitutional amendment that would allow the General Assembly to override common law.

**Bill History:** 04-14-15 H Voted do pass as amended from committee on House-Consumer Affairs

**SB 8 Schaaf(R)** Prohibits enforcement of any contractual provision that prevents disclosure of the contractual payment amount for health care services.

**Bill History:** 01-22-15 Senate heard this bill, and insurance companies and the hospitals opposed. The bill needs further clarification; otherwise negotiated information could get out to a competitor, so we will have to work with the sponsor to ensure sensitive data is not released. After the hearing, the sponsor of the bill refilled the bill and combined it with the hospitals #1 priority. Crafty move.

03-12-15 S Voted do pass as substitute from committee on Senate-Veterans Affairs and Health

**SB 9 Schaaf(R)** Modifies the duties and powers of the Joint Committee on MO HealthNet

**Bill History:** 01-13-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-General Laws and Pensions

**SB 26 Sater(R)** Establishes requirements for authorized entities to stock epinephrine (EPI) auto-injectors for use in emergencies.

**Bill History:** 04-15-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Health and Mental Health Policy

**SB 38 Romine(R)** Modifies provisions relating to the Joint Committee on MO HealthNet

**Bill History:** 04-15-15 H Public hearing completed

**SB 46 Holsman(D)** Relating to health care transparency

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 S Reported do pass Senate-Veterans Affairs and Health

**SB 63 Sater(R)** Establishes a Prescription Drug Monitoring Program.

**Bill History:** 04-14-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Health Insurance

**SB 90 LeVota(D)** Provides for the expansion of MO HealthNet services beginning on January 1, 2016.

**Bill History:** 01-22-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Veterans Affairs and Health

**SB 99 LeVota(D)** Creates crimes related to counterfeit, fake, diluted, or black market drugs.

**Bill History:** 01-22-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Judiciary Civil/Criminal Jurisprudence

**SB 103 LeVota(D)** Allows members of the General Assembly to request confidential professional licensee information.

**Bill History:** 03-04-15 S Hearing conducted

**SB 107 Sater(R)** Provides that boards and commissions under the Division of Professional Registration may issue certain opinions for educational purposes.

**Bill History:** 04-21-15 H Meeting set for 12:30 PM, HR 4 - House-Professional Registration

**SB 111 Schaaf(R)** Establishes a Prescription Drug Monitoring Program.

**Bill History:** 03-11-15 S Superseded by - see SB 63

**SB 118 Brown(R)** Requires MO HealthNet participants to pay an eight dollar copay for the use of emergency room services for the treatment of a nonemergency condition.

**Bill History:** 04-13-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Health and Mental Health Policy

**SB 119 Brown(R)** Modifies the criteria to be used in accepting donated drugs for use in the Prescription Drug Repository Program.

**Bill History:** 03-31-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Health and Mental Health Policy

**SB 122 Walsh(D)** Establishes a Health Care Directives Registry.

**Bill History:** 03-31-15 H Referred to House Committee on House-Health and Mental Health Policy

**SB 125 Schupp(D)** Authorizes eligibility for an alternative package of benefits for certain individuals under the MO HealthNet program.

**Bill History:** 01-22-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Veterans Affairs and Health

**SB 135 Holsman(D)** Allows qualified motorcycle operators to operate motorcycles and motortricycles without protective headgear under certain conditions.

**Bill History:** 03-04-15 S Hearing conducted

**SB 140 Parson(R)** Provides that defendants in tort actions shall only be held severally liable and not jointly.

**Bill History:** 03-10-15 S Voted do pass from committee on Senate-Small Bus./Insurance/Industry

**SB 151 Sater(R)** Sets a reimbursement rate for primary care physicians under Medicaid and requires MO HealthNet to contract with a third party for eligibility verification.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 S Set on the Senate Calendar

**SB 186 Curls(D)** Provides for the expansion of MO HealthNet services beginning on January 1, 2016.

**Bill History:** 01-29-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Veterans Affairs and Health

**SB 197 Brown(R)** Modifies provisions relating to the Joint Committee on MO HealthNet.

**Bill History:** 04-13-15 H Read second time

**SB 230 Romine(R)** Modifies provisions relating to the MO HealthNet program.

**Bill History:** 04-13-15 H Read second time

**SB 233 Kehoe(R)** Modifies provisions relating to expert witnesses.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 S Set on the Senate Calendar

**SB 236 Keaveny(D)** Increases the fine for seat belt violations from \$10 to \$50.

**Bill History:** 02-11-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Trans., Infrastructure, Public Safety

**SB 239 Brown(R)** Creates a statutory cause of action for damages against health care providers.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 H Meeting set for 3:15 PM, HR 6 - House-Select-Social Services

**SB 243 Schmitt(R)** Relating to MO HealthNet managed care rates.

**Bill History:** 02-11-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Veterans Affairs and Health

**SB 275 Schupp(D)** Requires the driver and all passengers in a car or truck to wear a safety belt with certain exceptions.

**Bill History:** 02-11-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Trans., Infrastructure, Public Safety

**SB 287 Silvey(R)** Allows veterans and their spouses and dependent children, as well as spouses and dependent children of deceased veterans, to be eligible for MO HealthNet benefits.

**Bill History:** 02-12-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Veterans Affairs and Health

**SB 294 Schatz(R)** Extends the sunset on certain healthcare provider reimbursement allowance taxes and prohibits enforcement of any contractual provision that prevents disclosure of the contractual payment amount for health care services.

**Bill History:** 02-12-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Appropriations

**SB 298 Kraus(R)** Requires a hospital to provide oral and written notice of a patient's outpatient status and the impact of that status on the patient's health insurance coverage.

**Bill History:** 03-12-15 S Voted do pass from committee on Senate-Veterans Affairs and Health

**SB 301 Silvey(R)** Modifies provisions relating to public assistance and MO HealthNet.

**Bill History:** 02-12-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Veterans Affairs and Health

**SB 313 Wallingford(R)** Modifies the types of controlled substances that can be prescribed by advanced practice registered nurses.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 S Reported do pass as substituted Senate-Financial/Gov. Org. and Elections

**SB 329 Schupp(D)** Requires employees and volunteers of specified public and private institutions to receive an influenza vaccination every year.

**Bill History:** 02-12-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Veterans Affairs and Health

**SB 348 Schaefer(R)** Relating to the transfer of funds to the general revenue fund.

**Bill History:** 02-19-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Appropriations

**SB 349 Schaefer(R)** Adds a motorcycle registration surcharge of five dollars to be deposited in the motorcycle safety trust fund.

**Bill History:** 02-19-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Trans., Infrastructure, Public Safety

**SB 362 Parson(R)** Allows the Department of Insurance, Financial Institutions and Professional Registration to issue non-binding informational documents to insurers.

**Bill History:** 03-10-15 S Voted do pass as substitute from committee on Senate-Small Bus./Insurance/Industry

**SB 386 Keaveny(D)** Modifies provisions relating to hemp extract.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 S Not heard in committee Senate-Govt. Accountability/Fiscal Oversight

**SB 400 Onder(R)** Provides that the state shall not require maintenance of licensure or any form of specialty medical board certification to practice medicine.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 S Set on the Senate Calendar

**SB 407 Onder(R)** Provides for the reimbursement of emergency medical services for MO HealthNet participants by hospitals.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 S Hearing conducted

**SB 412 Romine(R)** Modifies laws regarding arbitration agreements between employers and at-will employees.

**Bill History:** 02-24-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Small Bus./Insurance/Industry

**SB 415 Wasson(R)** Modifies provisions of law regarding advanced practice registered nurses practicing under collaborative practice arrangements.

**Bill History:** 02-24-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Financial/Gov. Org. and Elections

**SB 419 Silvey(R)** Creates the Healthcare Transformation Trust Fund.

**Bill History:** 04-16-15 S Meeting set for 8:30 AM, Senate Lounge - Senate-Veterans Affairs and Health

**SB 513 Parson(R)** Allows health maintenance organizations to require cost sharing of its enrollees.

**Bill History:** 03-10-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Small Bus./Insurance/Industry

**SB 564 Kehoe(R)** Modification of a jury's verdict in court actions on improper healthcare

**Bill History:** 03-18-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Small  
Bus./Insurance/Industry

**SB 566** [Silvey\(R\)](#) Transformation of the health care market

**Bill History:** 03-18-15 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Veterans Affairs and  
Health