



On the Hill

...reporting the progress of the
Alabama State Legislature

Fourth Week of the Session

The Alabama Legislature met for two days this week. At the conclusion of business on Thursday, 360 bills have been introduced in the House, and 251 bills have been introduced in the Senate.

Bills ANHA is Monitoring

New Bills

Senate Bill 107: would require a person applying for a business license or permit with a city or county and who employs one or more persons to prove enrollment in E-Verify prior to issuance of a business license or permit. *SB 107 awaits action in the Senate Fiscal Responsibility & Economic Development Committee.*

Health Care

House Bill 101/Senate Bill 101: would authorize the Alabama Board of Nursing to establish standards for student nurse apprenticeships and issue student nurse apprentice permits to eligible students. *HB 101 passed the House and awaits action in the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee. SB 101 passed the Senate and awaits action in the House Boards, Agencies & Commissions Committee.*

House Bill 102/Senate Bill 73: would authorize the Alabama Board of Nursing to access the controlled substances database for inquiries related to investigations or disciplinary activities concerning nurses who are authorized to prescribe controlled substances and nurses who are prescribed controlled substances. *HB 102 awaits action in the House Boards, Agencies and Commissions Committee. SB 73 awaits action in the Senate Health Committee.*

House Bill 126: would repeal the certificate of need program and related boards and councils. *HB 126 awaits action in the House State Government Committee.*

House Bill 146: would require the Alabama Medicaid Agency to increase reimbursement rate for certain ambulance services provided to Medicaid recipients who are not eligible to receive Medicare. *HB 146 awaits action in the House Ways & Means General Fund Committee.*

House Bill 269: would authorize the State Board of Health to establish and administer a community paramedicine program that authorizes paramedics to provide certain services to patients in certain circumstances. *HB 269 received a favorable report from the House Health Committee and awaits action in the House.*

House Bill 285/Senate Bill 195: would provide for a new rural physicians' tax credit and set requires for the credit. *HB 285 awaits in the House Health Committee. SB 195 received a favorable report from the Senate Fiscal Responsibility & Economic Development Committee and awaits action in the Senate.*

Senate Bill 114: would specify that no limit would be placed on a patient's ability to select a certified registered nurse practitioner or certified nurse midwife and other provisions. *SB 114 awaits action in the Senate.*

Senate Bill 165: would provide for the medical use of marijuana/cannabis. *SB 165 awaits action in the Senate.*

Senate Bill 171: would provide for the licensing and regulation by the State Radiation Control Agency of health care personnel performing radiologic imaging or radiation therapy for diagnostic or therapeutic purposes. *SB 171 awaits action in the Senate Health Committee.*

Senior Citizens

House Bill 207/Senate Bill 166: would allow financial institutions to refuse or delay a financial transaction on an account of an elderly or vulnerable adult with there is reasonable cause to suspect that financial exploitation may have occurred or be attempted. *HB 207 received a favorable report from the House Financial Services Committee and awaits action in the House. SB 166 awaits action in the Senate.*

House Bill 230/Senate Bill 167: would amend the Elder Abuse Protection Order and Enforcement Order to require redaction of sensitive information and allow an elderly person of sound mind or body to hire legal counsel to pursue a petition for relief under the provisions of the act. *HB 230 awaits action in the House Children & Senior Advocacy Committee. SB 167 passed the Senate and awaits action in the House Judiciary Committee.*

Budget/General Government

House Bill 99/Senate Bill 118: would allow ex officio members of the Alabama Dept. of Senior Services' Advisory Board to be voting members. *HB 99 passed the House and awaits action in the Senate Children, Youth & Human Services Committee. SB 118 awaits action in the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee.*

House Bill 152/Senate Bill 157: General Fund Budget. *HB 152 awaits action in the House Ways & Mean General Fund Committee. SB 157 awaits action in the Senate Finance & Taxation General Fund Committee.*

Senate Bill 129: would create and fund the General Fund Budget Reserve Fund and provides for the withdrawal and use of the amounts deposited into the fund. *SB 129 received a favorable report from the Senate Finance & Taxation General Fund Committee and awaits action in the Senate.*