

# South Central TRC Nov. 2019 Legislative Update

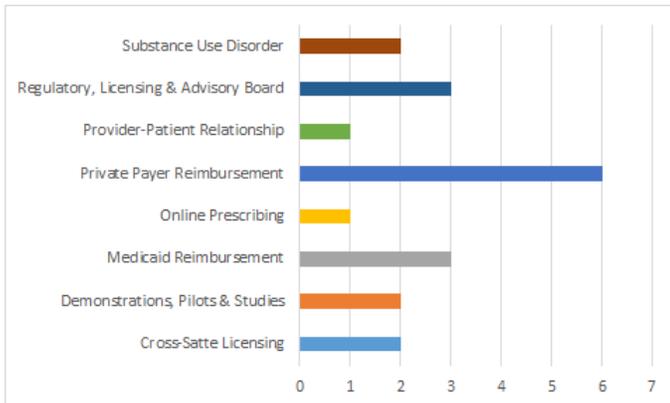
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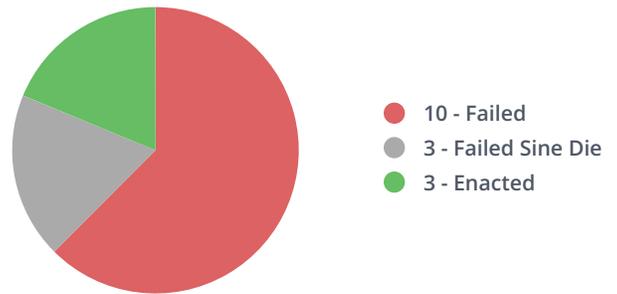
A few notes about this report:

1. Bills are organized into specific telehealth "topic area".
2. The Fiscal Note (FN) Outlook: The left hand column indicates the bill's Pre-Floor Score, and the right hand column indicates the bill's actual Floor Score of the last chamber it was in (either Senate or House).
3. Regulations are listed at the end in order of their publication date.
4. If you would like to learn more about any piece of legislation or regulation, the bill numbers and regulation titles are clickable and link out to additional information.

## Bills by Topic



## Bills by Status



## All Bills by Topic

### Cross-State Licensing (2)

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">HB 1421</a>	Notification That Hb 1421 Is Now Act 313 2019 03 05	Enacted

**Title**  
To Establish The Interstate Physical Therapy Licensure Compact In Arkansas.

**Bill Summary:** Enacts the Interstate Physical Therapy Licensure Compact in Arkansas.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Justin Boyd

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
MS	<a href="#">SB 2731</a>	Died In Committee 2019 02 05	Failed

**Title**  
Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Program; transfer from State Department of Health to MS Department of Insurance.

**Bill Summary:** Enacts the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact.

**Description**  
An Act To Transfer The Emergency Medical Services Program (Ems) From The State Department Of Health To The Mississippi Department Of Insurance; To Provide For The Transfer Of Employees, Property, Staff And Funds; To Provide For The Transfer Of The Authority To Certify Emergency Medical Technicians; To Amend Or Bring Forward Sections 41-59-1 Through 41-59-79 And 41-60-11, 41-60-13, 41-60-31 And 41-60-33, Mississippi Code Of 1972, In Conformity; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Videt Carmichael

### Demonstrations, Grants & Pilot Projects (2)

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">HB 1471</a>	Notification That Hb 1471 Is Now Act 644 2019 04 01	Enacted

**Title**  
To Create The Mental Health For Individuals Who Are Deaf Or Hard Of Hearing Bill Of Rights Act.

**Bill Summary:** Provides for statewide mental health services and requires the Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services of the Department of Human Services to develop and implement strategies for ensuring access to culturally affirmative mental health services and linguistically appropriate mental health services by clients in geographic areas where there is a lack of shortage of certified mental health professionals, which may include telemedicine or other remote technology.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Charlene Fite

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">SB 252</a>	Notification That Sb 252 Is Now Act 878 2019 04 17	Enacted

**Title**  
To Provide For Insurance Coverage For Treatment Of Pediatric Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorders Associated With Streptococcal Infection And Pediatric Acute-Onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome.

**Bill Summary:** Establishes coverage for services related to pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome. States that services delivered through the University of Arkansas will be available through telemedicine.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Kim Hammer

### Medicaid Reimbursement (3)

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">HB 1727</a>	Withdrawn By Author 2019 04 03	Failed sine die

**Title**  
Concerning Coverage By An Insurer For Intraoperative Neurophysiological Monitoring.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Jim Dotson

**Bill Summary:** Provides that a health benefit plan under the Arkansas Medicaid Program shall provide coverage and reimbursement for intraoperative neuropsychological monitoring provided through telemedicine, per hour and on the same basis as the health benefit plan provides coverage and reimbursement for health services provided in person.

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
MS	<a href="#">SB 2064</a>	Died In Committee 2019 02 05	Failed

**Title**  
Telemedicine medical services to students in school-based setting; authorize Medicaid reimbursement to physicians.

**Description**  
An Act To Amend Section 43-13-117, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Authorize Medicaid Reimbursement To Physicians Providing Telemedicine Medical Services To Students In A School-Based Setting; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Terry Burton

**Bill Summary:** This bill authorizes telemedicine reimbursement for Medicaid that is delivered to students in a school-based setting.

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
MS	<a href="#">SB 2689</a>	Died In Committee 2019 02 05	Failed

**Title**  
Health insurance and telemedicine services; impose certain statutory conditions.

**Description**  
An Act To Amend Section 83-9-351, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That A Health Insurance Or Employee Benefit Plan Shall Not Delay Or Condition Payment To A Health Care Provider On The Coordination Of The Filing Of Claims Between Originating And Distant Sites; To Amend Section 83-9-353, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That Store And Forward Telemedicine Services And Remote Patient Monitoring Services Shall Not Be Unduly Restricted Based On The Patient'S Geographic Proximity To A Network Provider; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Josh Harkins

**Bill Summary:** Makes certain adjustments to Mississippi's telehealth private payer law requirements, such as requiring that health plans not place geographic restrictions on the use of telehealth, and other billing/technical requirements. It also reduces the requirements on coverage for remote patient monitoring services.

Online Prescribing (1)

**Title**  
Opioid Crisis Intervention Act; create.

**Description**

An Act To Be Known As The "Opioid Crisis Intervention Act"; To Amend Section 41-29-149.1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Expand The Types Of Drug Violations For Which A Person May Not Be Prosecuted When Complying With The Mississippi Medical Emergency Good Samaritan Act; To Amend Section 41-127-1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Authorize Telemedicine Providers To Provide Treatment For Substance Use Disorders, Including Medication Assisted Treatment; To Authorize Municipalities, Counties And Public Or Private Educational Institutions To Adopt A Pre-Arrest Diversion Program To Which Law Enforcement Officers May Divert Adults Who Commit A Nonviolent Offense; To Require Adults Who Are Diverted To Be Provided Appropriate Assessment, Intervention, Education And Behavioral Health Care Services; To Authorize The Law Enforcement Agency To Criminally Charge The Adult For The Original Offense And Refer The Case To The Appropriate Prosecuting Agency If The Adult Does Not Participate In The Pre-Arrest Diversion Program; To Prohibit An Arrest Record From Being Associated With The Offense If The Adult Successfully Completes The Diversion Program; To Amend Section 63-1-53, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That After Certain Notice Is Given To A Person Failing To Timely Pay Any Fines, Fees And Assessments Relating To A Traffic Violation Within 90 Days Of Receiving The Notice, The Person Is Subject To Having The Fines, Fees And Assessments Collected By A Court Rather Than Having His Or Her License Suspended; To Amend Section 63-1-52, Mississippi Code Of 1972, In Conformity To The Preceding Section; To Amend Section 63-1-71, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Delete The Requirement That A Person'S License Be Suspended For A Controlled Substance Violation That Is Unrelated To Operating A Motor Vehicle; To Amend Section 63-1-51, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Delete The Offense Of Contempt For Failure To Pay A Fine Or Fee Or Failure To Respond To A Summons Or Citation Relating To A Traffic Violation As A Grounds For Revoking A Person'S License; To Amend Section 9-23-15, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Authorize A Judge To Allow A Person To Be Eligible For Alternative Sentencing Through A Drug Court If He Or She Has Been Convicted Of Burglary Of An Unoccupied Dwelling; To Amend Section 9-23-13, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Require Drug Courts To Allow Participants To Use Medication Assisted Treatment While Participating In A Drug Court Program; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**

Chris Brown

**Bill Summary:** Authorizes telemedicine providers to provide treatment for substance use disorder, including medication assisted treatment.

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">HB 1742</a>	Died On House Calendar At Sine Die Adjournment 2019 04 24	Failed

**Title**  
To Establish The Short-Term, Limited-Duration Insurance Act.

**Bill Summary:** Provides for "short-term, limited-duration insurance" which includes telemedicine as a covered benefit.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Mary Bentley

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
MS	<a href="#">HB 738</a>	Died In Committee 2019 02 05	Failed

**Title**  
Telemedicine; revise insurance laws regarding.

**Bill Summary:** Removes certain restrictions on the reimbursement of store and forward and remote patient monitoring. It also states that no geographic restrictions may be placed on coverage and that an insurer cannot delay or condition payment on the coordination of the filing of claims between the originating and distant site providing telemedicine for the same episode of care.

**Description**  
An Act To Amend Section 83 9 351, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That A Health Insurance Or Employee Benefit Plan Shall Not Delay Or Condition Payment To A Health Care Provider On The Coordination Of The Filing Of Claims Between Originating And Distant Sites; To Amend Section 83 9 353, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Remove Certain Restrictions On Store And Forward Telemedicine Services And Remote Patient Monitoring Services; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Brent Powell

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MS	<a href="#">SB 2689</a>	Died In Committee 2019 02 05	Failed

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Health insurance and telemedicine services; impose certain statutory conditions.

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**Description**  
An Act To Amend Section 83-9-351, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That A Health Insurance Or Employee Benefit Plan Shall Not Delay Or Condition Payment To A Health Care Provider On The Coordination Of The Filing Of Claims Between Originating And Distant Sites; To Amend Section 83-9-353, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That Store And Forward Telemedicine Services And Remote Patient Monitoring Services Shall Not Be Unduly Restricted Based On The Patient'S Geographic Proximity To A Network Provider; And For Related Purposes.

**Primary Sponsors**  
Josh Harkins

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
MS	<a href="#">SB 2690</a>	Died In Committee 2019 02 05	Failed

**Title**

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**Primary Sponsors**

Dean Kirby

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
TN	<a href="#">HB 753</a>	Rec For Pass If Am Ref To Finance Ways And Means Committee 2019 04 09	Failed sine die

**Title**

Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies - As introduced, adds a patient's residence and place of employment, if equipped to engage in telehealth communications, as locations a patient may be and receive telehealth services covered by health insurance; revises other telehealth provisions. - Amends TCA Title 56.

**Bill Summary:** Amends Tennessee's private payer telehealth law to incorporate in the definition of telehealth remote patient monitoring. It also would allow a school or patient's residence to be a qualified site.

**Primary Sponsors**

Robin Smith

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
TN	<a href="#">SB 1169</a>	Action Deferred In Senate Commerce And Labor Committee To 2020 2019 04 16	Failed sine die

**Title**

Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies - As introduced, adds a patient's residence and place of employment, if equipped to engage in telehealth communications, as locations a patient may be and receive telehealth services covered by health insurance; revises other telehealth provisions. - Amends TCA Title 56.

**Bill Summary:** Amends Tennessee's telehealth private payer law to include remote patient monitoring and additional patient locations.

**Primary Sponsors**

Art Swann

**Provider-Patient Relationship (1)**

State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">HB 1220</a>	Died On House Calendar At Sine Die Adjournment 2019 04 24	Failed

**Title**

To Amend The Telemedicine Act; To Ensure That Telemedicine Is The Least Restrictive Method To Deliver Healthcare Services Remotely; And To Expand The Definition Of "Professional Relationship".

**Primary Sponsors**

Dan Sullivan

**Bill Summary:** Amends rules for establishing a professional relationship over telemedicine. Allows a professional relationship to exist when established with store-and-forward technology in conjunction with audio interaction and review of clinical information.

### Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards (3)

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State	Bill Number	Last Action	Status
AR	<a href="#">SB 680</a>	Sine Die Adjournment 2019 04 25	Failed

**Title**

To Amend The Telemedicine Act; To Ensure That Telemedicine Is The Least Restrictive Method To Deliver Healthcare Services Remotely; And To Expand The Definition Of "Professional Relationship".

**Primary Sponsors**

Dave Wallace

**Bill Summary:** Provides that a professional relationship with a patient may be established through the use of store-and-forward in conjunction with audio interaction and review of clinical information.

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**Primary Sponsors**

Sally Doty

# South Central TRC Regulatory Tracking

Dec 03, 2019

Total Bills Exported : 16

#	Bill #	State	Last Action	Last Action Date	Status	Outlook	Priority	Position	
1	<a href="#">SB 680</a>	AR	Sine Die adjournment	Apr 25, 2019	Failed	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			To Amend The Telemedicine Act; To Ensure That Telemedicine Is The Least Restrictive Method To Deliver Healthcare Services Remotely; And To Expand The Definition Of "Professional Relationship".						
<b>Description</b>									
<b>Bill Summary</b>			Provides that a professional relationship with a patient may be established through the use of store-and-forward in conjunction with audio interaction and review of clinical information.						
<b>Categories</b>			Health, Technology						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Dave Wallace						

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2	<a href="#">HB 1742</a>	AR	Died on House Calendar at Sine Die Adjournment	Apr 24, 2019	Failed	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Private Payer Reimbursement						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			To Establish The Short-Term, Limited-Duration Insurance Act.						
<b>Description</b>									
<b>Bill Summary</b>			Provides for "short-term, limited-duration insurance" which includes telemedicine as a covered benefit.						
<b>Categories</b>			Health, Financials, Government Administration, Labor & Employment, Taxes, Social Issues						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Mary Bentley						
<b>Committee Hearings:</b>									
		<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Committees</b>			
		INSURANCE & COMMERCE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 13, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 149				
		INSURANCE & COMMERCE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 18, 2019		Room 149				
		INSURANCE & COMMERCE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 20, 2019	9:30 AM CDT	Room 149				
		INSURANCE & COMMERCE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 27, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 149				
		INSURANCE & COMMERCE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 29, 2019	9:00 AM CDT	Room 149				
		INSURANCE & COMMERCE- HOUSE MEETING	Apr 01, 2019		Room 149				
		INSURANCE & COMMERCE- HOUSE MEETING	Apr 03, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 149				
		INSURANCE & COMMERCE- HOUSE MEETING	Apr 05, 2019	9:30 AM CDT	Room 149				
		INSURANCE & COMMERCE- HOUSE MEETING	Apr 08, 2019		Room 149				
		INSURANCE & COMMERCE- HOUSE MEETING	Apr 09, 2019		Room 149				

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3	<a href="#">HB 1220</a>	AR	Died on House Calendar at Sine Die Adjournment	Apr 24, 2019	Failed	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Provider-Patient Relationship, Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			To Amend The Telemedicine Act; To Ensure That Telemedicine Is The Least Restrictive Method To Deliver Healthcare Services Remotely; And To Expand The Definition Of "Professional Relationship".						
<b>Description</b>									
<b>Bill Summary</b>			Amends rules for establishing a professional relationship over telemedicine. Allows a professional relationship to exist when established with store-and-forward technology in conjunction with audio interaction and review of clinical information.						
<b>Categories</b>			Health, Technology						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Dan Sullivan						
<b>Committee Hearings:</b>									
		<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Committees</b>			
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Jan 24, 2019	9:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Jan 29, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Jan 31, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Feb 05, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Feb 07, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Feb 07, 2019		Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Feb 12, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Feb 14, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Feb 21, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Feb 26, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Feb 28, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 05, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 07, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 12, 2019	9:00 AM CDT	Room 130				

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4	<a href="#">SB 252</a>	AR	Notification that SB252 is now Act 878	Apr 17, 2019	Enacted	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Demonstrations, Grants & Pilot Projects						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>		To Provide For Insurance Coverage For Treatment Of Pediatric Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorders Associated With Streptococcal Infection And Pediatric Acute-Onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome.							
<b>Description</b>									
<b>Bill Summary</b>		Establishes coverage for services related to pediatric autoimmune neuropsychiatric disorders associated with streptococcal infections and pediatric acute-onset neuropsychiatric syndrome. States that services delivered through the University of Arkansas will be available through telemedicine.							
<b>Categories</b>		Health, Financials, Government Administration, Labor & Employment, Families & Children, Education							
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>		Kim Hammer							
<b>Committee Hearings:</b>									
<b>Title</b>		<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Committees</b>				
INSURANCE & COMMERCE - SENATE MEETING		Feb 07, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 171					
INSURANCE & COMMERCE - SENATE MEETING		Feb 12, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 171					
INSURANCE & COMMERCE - SENATE MEETING		Feb 14, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 171					
INSURANCE & COMMERCE - SENATE MEETING		Feb 21, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 171					
INSURANCE & COMMERCE - SENATE MEETING		Feb 26, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 171					
INSURANCE & COMMERCE - SENATE MEETING		Feb 28, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 171					
INSURANCE & COMMERCE - SENATE MEETING		Mar 05, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 171					
INSURANCE & COMMERCE - SENATE MEETING		Mar 07, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 171					
INSURANCE & COMMERCE - SENATE MEETING		Mar 12, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 171					
INSURANCE & COMMERCE - SENATE MEETING		Mar 14, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 171					
INSURANCE & COMMERCE - SENATE MEETING		Mar 19, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 171					
INSURANCE & COMMERCE- HOUSE MEETING		Mar 27, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 149					
INSURANCE & COMMERCE - SENATE MEETING		Apr 04, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 171					

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5	<a href="#">SB 1169</a>	TN	Action deferred in Senate Commerce and Labor Committee to 2020	Apr 16, 2019	Failed Sine Die	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Private Payer Reimbursement						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies - As introduced, adds a patient's residence and place of employment, if equipped to engage in telehealth communications, as locations a patient may be and receive telehealth services covered by health insurance; revises other telehealth provisions. - Amends TCA Title 56.						
<b>Description</b>									
<b>Bill Summary</b>			Amends Tennessee's telehealth private payer law to include remote patient monitoring and additional patient locations.						
<b>Categories</b>			Health, Financials, Technology, Social Issues, Communications, Labor & Employment						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Art Swann						
<b>Committee Hearings:</b>									
		<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Committees</b>			
		Senate Commerce and Labor Committee Hearing	Apr 09, 2019	1:00 PM CDT	Senate Hearing Room I	Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor			
		Senate Commerce and Labor Committee Hearing	Apr 16, 2019	3:00 PM CDT	Senate Hearing Room I	Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor			

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6	<a href="#">HB 753</a>	TN	Rec. for pass. if am., ref. to Finance, Ways, and Means Committee	Apr 09, 2019	Failed Sine Die	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Private Payer Reimbursement						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			Insurance Companies, Agents, Brokers, Policies - As introduced, adds a patient's residence and place of employment, if equipped to engage in telehealth communications, as locations a patient may be and receive telehealth services covered by health insurance; revises other telehealth provisions. - Amends TCA Title 56.						
<b>Description</b>									
<b>Bill Summary</b>			Amends Tennessee's private payer telehealth law to incorporate in the definition of telehealth remote patient monitoring. It also would allow a school or patient's residence to be a qualified site.						
<b>Categories</b>			Health, Financials, Labor & Employment, Social Issues, Technology, Communications						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Robin Smith						

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7	<a href="#">HB 1727</a>	AR	WITHDRAWN BY AUTHOR	Apr 03, 2019	Failed Sine Die	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Medicaid Reimbursement						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			Concerning Coverage By An Insurer For Intraoperative Neurophysiological Monitoring.						
<b>Description</b>									
<b>Bill Summary</b>			Provides that a health benefit plan under the Arkansas Medicaid Program shall provide coverage and reimbursement for intraoperative neuropsychological monitoring provided through telemedicine, per hour and on the same basis as the health benefit plan provides coverage and reimbursement for health services provided in person.						
<b>Categories</b>			Health, Financials, Social Issues, Labor & Employment						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Jim Dotson						
<b>Committee Hearings:</b>									
		<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Committees</b>			
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 12, 2019	9:00 AM CDT	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 14, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 19, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 26, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 28, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Apr 02, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Apr 04, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 130				

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8	<a href="#">HB 1471</a>	AR	Notification that HB1471 is now Act 644	Apr 01, 2019	Enacted	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Demonstrations, Grants & Pilot Projects						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			To Create The Mental Health For Individuals Who Are Deaf Or Hard Of Hearing Bill Of Rights Act.						
<b>Description</b>									
<b>Bill Summary</b>			Provides for statewide mental health services and requires the Division of Aging, Adult, and Behavioral Health Services of the Department of Human Services to develop and implement strategies for ensuring access to culturally affirmative mental health services and linguistically appropriate mental health services by clients in geographic areas where there is a lack of shortage of certified mental health professionals, which may include telemedicine or other remote technology.						
<b>Categories</b>			Health, Social Issues, Labor & Employment, Families & Children, Civil Rights, Education, Technology						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Charlene Fite						
<b>Committee Hearings:</b>									
		<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Committees</b>			
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Feb 21, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Feb 26, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Feb 28, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 05, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 07, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 12, 2019	9:00 AM CDT	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Mar 14, 2019	10:00 AM CDT	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE - SENATE MEETING	Mar 27, 2019	9:00 AM CDT	Room 272				

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9	<a href="#">HB 1421</a>	AR	Notification that HB1421 is now Act 313	Mar 05, 2019	Enacted	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Cross-State Licensing						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			To Establish The Interstate Physical Therapy Licensure Compact In Arkansas.						
<b>Description</b>									
<b>Bill Summary</b>			Enacts the Interstate Physical Therapy Licensure Compact in Arkansas.						
<b>Categories</b>			Government Administration, Legal Affairs, Crime, National Security & Defense, Families & Children, Financials, Civil Rights						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Justin Boyd						
<b>Committee Hearings:</b>									
		<b>Title</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Committees</b>			
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE- HOUSE MEETING	Feb 12, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 130				
		PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE AND LABOR COMMITTEE - SENATE MEETING	Feb 27, 2019	10:00 AM CST	Room 272				

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10	<a href="#">HB 881</a>	MS	Died On Calendar	Feb 14, 2019	Failed	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Online Prescribing, Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards, Substance Use Disorder						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>		Opioid Crisis Intervention Act; create.							
<b>Description</b>		An Act To Be Known As The "Opioid Crisis Intervention Act"; To Amend Section 41-29-149.1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Expand The Types Of Drug Violations For Which A Person May Not Be Prosecuted When Complying With The Mississippi Medical Emergency Good Samaritan Act; To Amend Section 41-127-1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Authorize Telemedicine Providers To Provide Treatment For Substance Use Disorders, Including Medication Assisted Treatment; To Authorize Municipalities, Counties And Public Or Private Educational Institutions To Adopt A Pre-Arrest Diversion Program To Which Law Enforcement Officers May Divert Adults Who Commit A Nonviolent Offense; To Require Adults Who Are Diverted To Be Provided Appropriate Assessment, Intervention, Education And Behavioral Health Care Services; To Authorize The Law Enforcement Agency To Criminally Charge The Adult For The Original Offense And Refer The Case To The Appropriate Prosecuting Agency If The Adult Does Not Participate In The Pre-Arrest Diversion Program; To Prohibit An Arrest Record From Being Associated With The Offense If The Adult Successfully Completes The Diversion Program; To Amend Section 63-1-53, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That After Certain Notice Is Given To A Person Failing To Timely Pay Any Fines, Fees And Assessments Relating To A Traffic Violation Within 90 Days Of Receiving The Notice, The Person Is Subject To Having The Fines, Fees And Assessments Collected By A Court Rather Than Having His Or Her License Suspended; To Amend Section 63-1-52, Mississippi Code Of 1972, In Conformity To The Preceding Section; To Amend Section 63-1-71, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Delete The Requirement That A Person'S License Be Suspended For A Controlled Substance Violation That Is Unrelated To Operating A Motor Vehicle; To Amend Section 63-1-51, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Delete The Offense Of Contempt For Failure To Pay A Fine Or Fee Or Failure To Respond To A Summons Or Citation Relating To A Traffic Violation As A Grounds For Revoking A Person'S License; To Amend Section 9-23-15, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Authorize A Judge To Allow A Person To Be Eligible For Alternative Sentencing Through A Drug Court If He Or She Has Been Convicted Of Burglary Of An Unoccupied Dwelling; To Amend Section 9-23-13, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Require Drug Courts To Allow Participants To Use Medication Assisted Treatment While Participating In A Drug Court Program; And For Related Purposes.							
<b>Bill Summary</b>		Authorizes telemedicine providers to provide treatment for substance use disorder, including medication assisted treatment.							
<b>Categories</b>		Crime, Transportation, Legal Affairs, Law Enforcement & Public Safety, Health, Food & Beverage, Labor & Employment, Budget, Families & Children							
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>		Chris Brown							

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11	<a href="#">SB 2745</a>	MS	Died In Committee	Feb 05, 2019	Failed	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Substance Use Disorder						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			Opioid Crisis Intervention Act; create.						
<b>Description</b>			An Act To Be Known As The Opioid Crisis Intervention Act; To Amend Section 41-29-149.1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Expand The Types Of Drug Violations For Which A Person May Not Be Prosecuted When Complying With The Mississippi Medical Emergency Good Samaritan Act; To Amend Section 41-127-1, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That Telemedicine Providers Shall Be Allowed To Provide Treatment For Substance Use Disorders, Including Medication-Assisted Treatment; To Authorize Municipalities, Counties And Public Or Private Educational Institutions To Adopt A Pre-Arrest Diversion Program In Which Law Enforcement Officers Of The Entity May Divert Adults Who Commit A Nonviolent Offense; To Provide That Adults Who Are Diverted Shall Be Provided Appropriate Assessment, Intervention, Education And Behavioral Health Care Services; To Provide That If The Adult Does Not Participate In The Pre-Arrest Diversion Program, The Law Enforcement Agency May Criminally Charge The Adult For The Original Offense And Refer The Case To The Appropriate Prosecuting Agency To Determine If Prosecution Is Appropriate; To Provide That If The Adult Successfully Completes The Program, An Arrest Record Shall Not Be Associated With The Offense; To Amend Section 63-1-53, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That After Certain Notice Is Given To A Person Who Fails To Timely Pay Any Fines, Fees And Assessments Relating To A Traffic Violation Within 90 Days Of Receiving The Notice, Then The Person Shall Be Subject To Having The Fines, Fees And Assessments Collected By A Court Rather Than Having His Or Her License Suspended; To Amend Section 63-1-52, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Conform To The Preceding Section; To Amend Section 63-1-71, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Remove The Requirement That A Person'S License Be Suspended For A Controlled Substance Violation That Is Unrelated To Operating A Motor Vehicle; To Amend Section 63-1-51, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Remove The Offense Of Contempt For Failure To Pay A Fine Or Fee Or Failure To Respond To A Summons Or Citation Relating To A Traffic Violation As A Grounds For Revoking A Person'S License; To Amend Section 9-23-15, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That A Judge May Authorize A Person To Be Eligible For Alternative Sentencing Through A Drug Court If He Or She Has Been Convicted Of Burglary Of An Unoccupied Dwelling; To Amend 9-23-13, To Provide That Drug Courts May Allow Participants To Use Medication-Assisted Treatment; And For Related Purposes.						
<b>Bill Summary</b>			Authorizes telemedicine providers to provide treatment for substance use disorders, including medication assisted treatment.						
<b>Categories</b>			Crime, Transportation, Legal Affairs, Law Enforcement & Public Safety, Government Administration, Health, Food & Beverage, Budget, Labor & Employment, Families & Children						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Sally Doty						

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12	<a href="#">SB 2731</a>	MS	Died In Committee	Feb 05, 2019	Failed	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Cross-State Licensing						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Program; transfer from State Department of Health to MS Department of Insurance.						
<b>Description</b>			An Act To Transfer The Emergency Medical Services Program (Ems) From The State Department Of Health To The Mississippi Department Of Insurance; To Provide For The Transfer Of Employees, Property, Staff And Funds; To Provide For The Transfer Of The Authority To Certify Emergency Medical Technicians; To Amend Or Bring Forward Sections 41-59-1 Through 41-59-79 And 41-60-11, 41-60-13, 41-60-31 And 41-60-33, Mississippi Code Of 1972, In Conformity; And For Related Purposes.						
<b>Bill Summary</b>			Enacts the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact.						
<b>Categories</b>			Law Enforcement & Public Safety, Health, Government Administration, Transportation, Financials, Crime, Families & Children, Legal Affairs, Social Issues, National Security & Defense, Budget						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Videt Carmichael						

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13	<a href="#">SB 2690</a>	MS	Died In Committee	Feb 05, 2019	Failed	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Private Payer Reimbursement						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			Health insurance and telemedicine services; impose certain statutory conditions.						
<b>Description</b>			An Act To Amend Section 83-9-351, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That A Health Insurance Or Employee Benefit Plan Shall Not Delay Or Condition Payment To A Health Care Provider On The Coordination Of The Filing Of Claims Between Originating And Distant Sites; To Amend Section 83-9-353, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That Store And Forward Telemedicine Services And Remote Patient Monitoring Services Shall Not Be Unduly Restricted Based On The Patient'S Geographic Proximity To A Network Provider; And For Related Purposes.						
<b>Bill Summary</b>			Provides that store and forward and remote patient monitoring services shall not be unduly restricted based on the patient's geographic proximity to a network provider.						
<b>Categories</b>			Health, Financials, Labor & Employment, Technology, Social Issues						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Dean Kirby						

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14	<a href="#">SB 2689</a>	MS	Died In Committee	Feb 05, 2019	Failed	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Private Payer Reimbursement, Medicaid Reimbursement						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			Health insurance and telemedicine services; impose certain statutory conditions.						
<b>Description</b>			An Act To Amend Section 83-9-351, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That A Health Insurance Or Employee Benefit Plan Shall Not Delay Or Condition Payment To A Health Care Provider On The Coordination Of The Filing Of Claims Between Originating And Distant Sites; To Amend Section 83-9-353, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That Store And Forward Telemedicine Services And Remote Patient Monitoring Services Shall Not Be Unduly Restricted Based On The Patient'S Geographic Proximity To A Network Provider; And For Related Purposes.						
<b>Bill Summary</b>			Makes certain adjustments to Mississippi's telehealth private payer law requirements, such as requiring that health plans not place geographic restrictions on the use of telehealth, and other billing/technical requirements. It also reduces the requirements on coverage for remote patient monitoring services.						
<b>Categories</b>			Health, Financials, Labor & Employment, Technology, Social Issues						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Josh Harkins						

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15	<a href="#">HB 738</a>	MS	Died In Committee	Feb 05, 2019	Failed	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Private Payer Reimbursement						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			Telemedicine; revise insurance laws regarding.						
<b>Description</b>			An Act To Amend Section 83 9 351, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Provide That A Health Insurance Or Employee Benefit Plan Shall Not Delay Or Condition Payment To A Health Care Provider On The Coordination Of The Filing Of Claims Between Originating And Distant Sites; To Amend Section 83 9 353, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Remove Certain Restrictions On Store And Forward Telemedicine Services And Remote Patient Monitoring Services; And For Related Purposes.						
<b>Bill Summary</b>			Removes certain restrictions on the reimbursement of store and forward and remote patient monitoring. It also states that no geographic restrictions may be placed on coverage and that an insurer cannot delay or condition payment on the coordination of the filing of claims between the originating and distant site providing telemedicine for the same episode of care.						
<b>Categories</b>			Health, Financials, Labor & Employment, Technology, Social Issues						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Brent Powell						

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16	<a href="#">SB 2064</a>	MS	Died In Committee	Feb 05, 2019	Failed	--% Pre-floor	--% Floor	None	None
<b>Issues</b>			Medicaid Reimbursement						
<b>Labels</b>									
<b>Title</b>			Telemedicine medical services to students in school-based setting; authorize Medicaid reimbursement to physicians.						
<b>Description</b>			An Act To Amend Section 43-13-117, Mississippi Code Of 1972, To Authorize Medicaid Reimbursement To Physicians Providing Telemedicine Medical Services To Students In A School-Based Setting; And For Related Purposes.						
<b>Bill Summary</b>			This bill authorizes telemedicine reimbursement for Medicaid that is delivered to students in a school-based setting.						
<b>Categories</b>			Health, Families & Children, Industrials, Financials, Social Issues, Legal Affairs, Budget, Labor & Employment, Transportation, Civil Rights, Technology, Food & Beverage, Crime						
<b>Primary Sponsors</b>			Terry Burton						