



**LOUISIANA STATE
MEDICAL SOCIETY**

**COUNCIL ON LEGISLATION
POSITIONS TRACKER**

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*LSMS POSITIONS ON LEGISLATION
ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGES AS THE
LEGISLATIVE SESSION PROGRESSES.
THE POSITIONS SET FORTH ARE ONLY
VALID FOR THE DATE WRITTEN ABOVE.

HB 1	HENRY	Provides for the ordinary operating expenses of state government for Fiscal Year 2017-2018	MONITOR
HB 6	HOLLIS	INSURANCE/HEALTH: Exempts Louisiana residents from the assessment of penalties for noncompliance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act	SUPPORT
HB 51	PUGH	MALPRACTICE/MEDICAL: Increases the medical malpractice cap in certain circumstances	OPPOSE
HB 64	HENRY	APPROPRIATIONS/ANCILLARY: Provides for the ancillary expenses of state government	MONITOR
HB 78	DWIGHT	CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES: Provides relative to the penalties for possession of phencyclidine	SUPPORT
HB 118	HOFFMANN	TAX/TOBACCO TAX: Levies an additional state excise tax on cigarettes	SUPPORT
HB 137	JENKINS	MALPRACTICE/MEDICAL: Provides relative to the filing of requests for medical review panels	SUPPORT
HB 139	McFARLAND	PUBLIC CONTRACTS: Requires prior approval of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Budget of requests for proposals, contracts, and cooperative endeavor agreements over a specified dollar amount	SUPPORT
HB 152	BACALA	MEDICAID: Provides for implementation and funding of a Medicaid managed long-term services and supports system	MONITOR
HB 159	MILLER	HEALTH/BEHAVIORAL: Requires certain mental health providers to be licensed under the Behavioral Health Services Provider Licensing Law	SUPPORT
HB 179	STOKES	HEALTH SERVICES: Provides relative to devices authorized for use by the Right To Try Act	SUPPORT

BILL #	AUTHOR	OFFICIAL TITLE/ BRIEF SUMMARY	STAFF RECOMMENDATION
HB 185	ARMES	MILITARY AFFAIRS: Establishes the Louisiana Military Medics and Corpsmen Pilot Program	MONITOR
HB 186	BAGLEY	WEAPONS/HANDGUNS: Provides an exception to the crime of illegal carrying of weapons for certain first responders	MONITOR
HB 192	MORENO	DRUGS/CONTROLLED: Provides for limitations on the prescribing of opioids	SUPPORT
HB 207	G. CARTER	ETHICS/DUAL OFFICE HOLDING: Allows a health care provider on the faculty or staff of a public higher education institution to also hold elective office in the government of the United States	SUPPORT
HB 225	PEARSON	CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES: Adds certain substances to the Uniform Controlled Dangerous Substances Law	SUPPORT
HB 236	SHADOIN	FUNDS/FUNDING: (Constitutional Amendment) Eliminates certain constitutional dedication of revenue and certain treasury funds	MONITOR
HB 250	PYLANT	HEALTH: Authorizes local needle exchange programs	SUPPORT
HB 271	HOFFMANN	TAX/TOBACCO TAX: Levies an additional state excise tax on vapor products and electronic cigarettes	SUPPORT
HB 305	JOHNSON	PHYSICAL THERAPISTS: Provides for the regulation of the practice of physical therapy	MONITOR
HB 306	JOHNSON	MEDICAID: Provides relative to pharmacy reimbursement by managed care organizations	MONITOR

HB 314	THOMAS	HOSPITALS: Requires LSU hospitals and public-private partnership hospitals to accept certain patients transferred by other hospitals	MONITOR
HB 338	POPE	SPEECH/PATH/AUDIO: Provides relative to the Louisiana Board of Examiners for Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology	MONITOR
HB 341	D. MILLER	HEALTH/BEHAVIORAL: Amends laws relative to behavioral health and mental health to provide for current practice and appropriate terminology	SUPPORT
HB 395	D. MILLER	MENTAL HEALTH: Amends the procedures for involuntary mental health treatment	MONITOR
HB 399	GAROFALO	PRESCRIPTION: Provides relative to suspension or extension of prescription, peremption, and certain legal deadlines	MONITOR
HB 402	HAVARD	MENTAL HEALTH: Provides for licensure and regulation of community-based care facilities	MONITOR
HB 404	HENSGENS	HEALTH CARE: Amends the Polysomnographic Practice Act	MONITOR
HB 405	HOFFMANN	MEDICAID: Provides relative to the Medicaid disability services system	MONITOR
HB 414	LEGER	FEES/LICENSES/PERMITS: Revises license and bed fee amounts for facilities and providers licensed by the La. Department of Health	OPPOSE
HB 427	D. MILLER	TAX CREDITS: Provides relative to the tax credit for certain medical providers	MONITOR
HB 428	PUGH	INSURANCE/HEALTH: Provides for unfair trade practices by insurers and pharmacy benefit managers	SUPPORT

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HB 435	TALBOT	INSURANCE/HEALTH: Requires disclosure to patient of out-of-network providers prior to surgery	SUPPORT
HB 436	TALBOT	DRUGS/PRESCRIPTION: Requires drug manufacturers to provide information regarding prescription drug prices	MONITOR
HB 452	ABRAMSON	SCHOOLS/NONPUBLIC: Makes requirement for in-service training relative to suicide prevention applicable to nonpublic and charter school teachers and other employees	SUPPORT
HB 479	HORTON	CHILDREN/NEWBORNS: Provides relative to prenatal neglect and reporting thereof	MONITOR
HB 490	LEGER	DRUGS/PRESCRIPTION: Creates the Advisory Council on Heroin and Opioid Prevention and Education	SUPPORT
HB 492	MAGEE	MEDICAID: Provides for an independent claims review process within the Medicaid managed care program	SUPPORT
HB 526	REYNOLDS	MALPRACTICE/MEDICAL: Provides for time frames in the Louisiana Medical Malpractice Act	OPPOSE
HB 529	BROADWATER	WORKERS COMPENSATION: Provides for a workers' compensation closed pharmacy formulary	OPPOSE
HB 539	AMEDEE	STUDENT/HOME STUDY: Removes requirement that certain students in approved home study programs provide documentation of immunization against meningococcal disease	OPPOSE
HB 562	JACKSON	TAX/SALES & USE: Provides with respect to the levy of state sales and use taxes on certain sales of tangible personal property and services	SUPPORT

HB 586	HUNTER	HEALTH CARE: Requires certain publicly funded healthcare facilities and providers to institute policies relative to continuity of patient care	MONITOR
HB 592	TALBOT	WORKERS COMP: Provides for the creation of a workers' compensation pharmacy formulary	OPPOSE
HCR 8	BARRAS	HOSPITALS: Provides for a hospital stabilization formula	SUPPORT
SB 14	LUNEAU	HEALTH CARE: Amends the definition of "auto-injector" for purposes of emergency medical services	SUPPORT
SB 37	MARTINY	PSYCHOLOGISTS: Provides relative to the Louisiana State Board of Examiners of Psychologists	MONITOR
SB 38	MORRELL	COUNSELING/GUIDANCE: Provides with respect to mental health counselors	MONITOR
SB 39	BOUDREAUX	HEALTH/HOSPITALS DEPT: Provides relative to the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners	MONITOR W/ AMENDMENTS
SB 55	MILLS	HEALTH CARE: Provides relative to prescribers of controlled dangerous substances	SUPPORT
SB 58	MILLS	HEALTH SERVICES: Provides relative to the statewide human services districts and authorities	MONITOR
SB 59	MILLS	HEALTH CARE: Provides relative to prescription drug price information	SUPPORT
SB 70	DONAHUE	CONTROL DANGER SUBSTANCE: Makes misbranding or adulteration of drugs under certain circumstances a felony	MONITOR

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SB 75	MILLS	HEALTH/HOSPITALS DEPT: Provides relative to the health professional licensing boards created within the Louisiana Department of Health	MONITOR
SB 85	COLOMB	STUDENTS: Authorizes the state Department of Education and the Louisiana Department of Health to survey students regarding certain risk behavior associated with chronic health conditions	SUPPORT
SB 96	JOHNS	CONTROL DANGER SUBSTANCE: Provides relative to the prescription monitoring program	SUPPORT
SB 109	CLAITOR	PRESCRIPTION: Provides for the suspension of prescription	MONITOR
SB 111	MIZELL	ABORTION: Requires proof of identification from parents for an unemancipated minor child to obtain an abortion based upon parental consent and requires court-ordered counseling if it is suspected that the minor is a victim of criminal sexual exploitation	MONITOR
SB 116	MILLS	LOCAL OFFICIALS: Provides for the Work Out Now: WON Louisiana Legislative Commission	SUPPORT
SB 128	MILKOVICH	CRIME/PUNISHMENT: Prohibits cutting, resection, excision, harvesting, or removing of a body part, organ, or tissue of an aborted baby for sale, commerce, transport, research, or profit	MONITOR
SB 133	MORRELL	EDUCATION DEPARTMENT: Provides relative to immunizations required prior to enrolling in school	SUPPORT
SB 171	BARROW	TAX/INCOME/PERSONAL: Provides for an income tax credit for physicians who provide uncompensated care to indigent patients	SUPPORT

SB 180	MORRELL	TAX EXEMPTIONS: Restores the sales and use tax exemption for medical devices	SUPPORT
SB 194	CORTEZ	HEALTH/HOSPITALS DEPT: Provides relative to regulation of advertising by the Louisiana State Board of Medical Examiners	OPPOSE
SB 205	MORRELL	COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS: Provides relative to boards and commissions and disciplinary adjudications	MONITOR
SB 216	TARVER	HEALTH CARE: Provides for physician assistants executing emergency certificates relative to alleged mental illness or substance abuse	MONITOR
SB 217	ERDEY	CHIROPRACTERS: Provides for one hour of ethics training as part of the continuing education requirements for chiropractors	MONITOR
SB 224	PETERSON	HEALTH SERVICES: Provides relative to the Health Education Authority of Louisiana	MONITOR
SB 226	HEWITT	FUNDS/FUNDING: Eliminates certain statutory dedications and eliminates certain dedications of certain funds	MONITOR
SCR 21	MIZELL	HEALTH CARE: Requests Louisiana medical schools, prescriber licensing boards, and prescriber trade associations to take all necessary steps to eliminate pain as the fifth vital sign and to increase prescriber education and awareness on assessing, identifying, and treating the symptom of pain.	SUPPORT