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Bill Number/ Name	State \$	Summary / Analysis	Status/Link	Position
HB 84 -Office of Inspector General of Medicaid Services (Rep. Clark)		Creates within the governor's office, the Office of Inspector General of Medicaid	Introduced on 1/28/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/hbillhtm/hb0084.htm .	MONITOR (RD)
HB 128 Health Reform Amendments (Rep. Dunnighan)		Improves Utah's health insurance exchange and prepares the state for implementation of national health reform	Introduced in House	REVIEW (RD, AR)
HB 151 Compulsory Education Amendments (Rep. Briscoe)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In process	(LG)
HB 161 Guardian Ad Litem Responsibilities (Rep. Oda)		Requires Guardians ad litem to participate in child and family plan meetings to represent the best interest of their clients.	House HHS http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0161.htm	SUPPORT

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HB 172 Service Animal Amendments (Rep. Grover)		Follows federal law in limiting the definition of "service animal" to a dog	House TRPUTL http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0172.htm	MONITOR (LM)
HB 174 – Privatizing Medicaid Eligibility Determination Services (Rep. Harper)	\$0	Requires DOH to issue an exploratory request for proposals by August 2012.	House HHS http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/hbillhtm/hb0174.htm	MONITOR (AR)
HB 179 -Peace Officer Recertification Amendments (Rep. Greenwood)	\$0	Requires police officer to recertify in various training programs throughout their careers at certain intervals.	Received in House Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Committee 2/4/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0179.htm .	REVIEW (AR)
HB 204 -Protection of Athletes with Head Injuries (Rep. Ray)	N/A	Requires amateur sports leagues to have a concussion and head injury policy; requires these groups to notify parents and obtain informed consent for minors; requires removal of child suspected of sustaining a head injury/concussion.	Introduced in Senate http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/hbillhtm/hb0204.htm	SUPPORT (AZ)
HB 215 -Fatality Review Act Amendments (Rep. Newbold)	\$0.	Modifies various procedures relating to the initial review of a fatality and requires that DCFS (to the extent allowed by law) allow public disclosure of the findings or information relating to case of child abuse or neglect that results in a child fatality. Question for clarification: what is the Act which	Introduced to Senate 2/2/11. Placed on 2 nd reading calendar. http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/hbillhtm/hb0215.htm	REVIEW (AT)

		allows public disclosure.		
HB 217- Appointment of Director of the Division of Health Care Financing (Rep. Clark)	\$0	Provides that the director of the Division of Health Care Financing shall be appointed by the governor, after consultation with the Senate and the Department of Health.	Senate HHS on 1/31/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0217.htm	<u>MONITOR (AR)</u>
HB 222- Support Obligation for Children in State Custody (Rep. Wiley)	N/A	Allows a parent or guardian to request a hearing as to whether the parent should be required to pay child support if their child is in state custody. If no hearing is requested the assumption is that they will be required to pay.	House Rules Committee 1/24/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0222.htm .	<u>SUPPORT</u>
HB 230 Substitute- Disability Amendments (Rep. Ray)	\$0	Where practicable would make changes for potentially offensive labels in state legislation and documents (change offensive labels to person with disability, person with mental illness, etc.)	Senate HHS http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0230.htm	<u>SUPPORT</u>
HB 234 Assertive Community Mental Health Treatment Pilot Program (Rep. Moss)	\$287,300 in FY 11; \$220,100 in FY 12	Would establish a pilot program in Utah through Summer 2014 providing assertive community mental health treatment to eligible people who are not receiving or transitioning out of other mental health services.	House Rules Committee 1/27/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/hbillhtm/hb0234.htm	<u>SUPPORT</u>
HB 240- Social Services-	N/A	Requires DWS and DSPD to give	Moved out of House Workforce Services and Community and Economic Development Committee with a favorable	<u>SUPPORT</u>

Employment First Priority (Rep. Menlove)		priority to assisting individuals under their care in gaining employment; (work-first priority) requires government entities to help individuals plan ways to carry out this goal.	recommendation. Waiting for final vote. 2/2/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/hbillhtm/hb0240.htm	
HB 256 Children's Health Insurance and Medicaid Administrative Simplification (Rep. Dunnighan)		Requires Department of Health to fund a simplified enrollment and renewal process for CHIP, Medicaid, and the Primary Care Network Demonstration Project Programs.	In House Rules Committee 2/2/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0256.htm	SUPPORT
HB 279 Direct Primary Elections (Rep. Litvacck)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	LM
HB 280 State Agency Realignment (Rep. Harper)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	AR
HB 283 Transportation Amendments (Rep. Harper)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	(LM)
HB 284 Guardianship Amendments (Rep. Powell)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	(RD, LB)
HB 290 Public School Transportation Amendments (Rep. Wimmer)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	(LG)
HB 310 Voter Registration Amendments (Rep. Powell)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	(LM)

HB 332 Utility Payment Assistance (Rep. Wimmer)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11) Will affect the entire low-income community.	In Process	<u>(AR), (RD)</u>
HB 338 Transportation Modifications (Rep. Anderson)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	<u>(LM)</u>
HB 357 Long Term Care Amendments (Rep. Ray)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	<u>(AT)</u>
HB 360 Housing Alternatives for Nursing Home Eligible Parolees (Rep. Hutchings)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	<u>(AT)</u>
HB 366 Election Law Changes (Rep. Dee)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	<u>(LM)</u>
HB 369 Fire Code Modifications (Rep. Froerer)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	<u>(SB)</u>
HB 442 Criminal Procedure Amendments (Rep. Wilson)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	<u>(SB)</u>
HB 449 Medicaid Payment Amendments (Rep. Last)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	<u>(AR, RD)</u>

HB 454 State Hospital Amendments (Rep. Last)		Awaiting Text (no change; 2/10/11)	In Process	(AT, LB)
SJR 2 -Joint Resolution on Equal Treatment by Government (Sen. Dayton)	N/A/	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/2/11)	In Legislative Research and General Counsel	(AK)
SCR 1 -Crisis Intervention Team Program Concurrent Resolution (Sen. Jones)	\$0	Sets out a model of best practice for law enforcement intervention with persons who have mental illness, and encourages law enforcement agencies and community mental health centers to have certified crisis trained officers in all jurisdictions throughout Utah.	Passed. http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/sbillhtm/scr001.htm	SUPPORT
SJR 7 Substitute -Fibromyalgia Awareness Day Joint Resolution (Sen. Knudson)	\$0	Designates May 12, 2011 as Fibromyalgia Awareness Day in the State of Utah and recognizes the needs of those stricken with this disability, and urges the state to support the search for a cure for Fibromyalgia.	Read on 2/2/11. Currently in the House Rules Committee. http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/sbillint/sjr007s01.htm .	SUPPORT
SB 19 -Department of Workforce Services' Regional Workforce Service Areas Amendments (Sen. Jones)	\$0	Replaces regional workforce services areas and councils with economic service areas, and provides that all services previously provided at regional workforce centers shall be	Passed committee with a favorable recommendation. Waiting for final vote. http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/sbillhtm/sb0019.htm	MONITOR (LM)

		provided in economic services areas through employment centers.		
SB 33 -Health Disparities and Related American Indian Programs (Sen. Van Tassell)	\$0	Renames the Center for Multicultural Health to be the Office of Health Disparities Reduction, and established a position to help American Indian-Alaskan natives with health needs.	Passed. http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/sbillhtm/sb0033.htm	SUPPORT (SB)
SB 39 -Children's Justice Center Program Amendments (Sen. Okerlund)	\$ 180,000 per year (beginning FY 2012)	Allows Nurse Practitioners to serve on Children's Justice Center boards and adds 2 counties to the list of where justice centers should be established.	House Rules http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/sbillhtm/sb0039.htm	SUPPORT
SB 40 -Employment Practices and Protection from Violence (Sen. Jones)	0	Act would address various obligations of employees, prohibit some employment practices and provide for private rights of action. Act also designed to help employees who are the victims of an act of violence by requiring employers to giving them time off work for court hearings, etc.	Currently in Senate Business and Labor Committee. http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/sbillhtm/sb0040.htm	SUPPORT
SB 48 -Alzheimer's State Plan Task Force (Sen. Morgan)	One time \$25,000 cost.	Creates the Alzheimer's State Plan Task Force and requires a report to be submitted by them by Nov '11 to DHS.	House HHS http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/sbillint/sb0048.htm	SUPPORT
SB 50 -Enhanced Penalties for HIV Positive Offender	0	Provides that under Utah Law it would be a 3 rd degree felony to	Circled on Senate 2 nd Reading Calendar. http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/sbillhtm/sb0050.htm .	MONITOR (AT)

Amendments (Sen. Stevenson)		engage in prostitution or sexual solicitation of the individual knew or should have known they were HIV positive; changes requirements for providing notice to the individual if they are found to test positive to HIV.		
SB 65 -Statewide Online Education Program (Sen. Stephenson)	N/A	This bill creates the Statewide Online Education Program to enable a student to earn high school graduation credit through the completion of online courses.	Senate 2 nd Reading Calendar. http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/sbillint/sb0065.htm .	SUPPORT (LG)
SB 103 -Utah False Claims Act Amendments (Sen. McAdams)	\$ 167,000 per year beginning FY 2012.	Amends the Utah False Claims Act to make it easier to file a claim, and modifies provisions regarding penalties. Note: we are working with the sponsor to clarify concerns regarding eligibility for public benefits.	Waiting for Introduction in the Senate http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmldoc/sbillhtm/sb0103.htm	REVIEW (AR)
SB 106 - Sexual Exploitation Amendments (Sen. Hinkins)	\$0	Consolidates criminal provisions relating to sexual exploitation of a vulnerable adult and sexual exploitation of a minor.	Introduced 2/1/11. http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/sbillint/sb0106.htm .	SUPPORT (AT)
SB 137 -Medicaid Amendments (Sen. Christensen)	Over \$ 2 million in FY 2012; \$ 3.7 million thereafter.	Amends Medicaid drug program to remove restrictions on the preferred drug list program.	Sent to HHS committee on 2/3/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/sbillint/sb0137.htm .	MONITOR (AR)
SB 165 -Election Law Modifications (Sen. Bramble)		Awaiting Text (no change: 2/2/11)	In Legislative Research and General Counsel	(LM)

SB 180- Medicaid Reform (Liljenquist)		Puts a cap on Medicaid's budget; creates a Medicaid Rainy Day Fund; pays for quality of care rather than quantity of care	Passed SB&L http://www.leg.state.ut.us/~2011/htmdoc/sbillhtm/SB0180.htm	<u>MONITOR</u> <u>(AR, RD)</u>
SB 186- Utah Medical Practice Acts Amendments (Rep Adams)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/2/11)	In Legislative Research and General Counsel	<u>(RD)</u>
SB 217- Education Policy Law Amendments (Sen. Bramble)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change: 2/2/11)	In Legislative Research and General Counsel	<u>(LG)</u>
SB 222- Public Transit Amendments (Sen. Bramble)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change: 2/2/11)	In Legislative Research and General Counsel	<u>(LM)</u>
SB 227- Student Based Funding for Public Education (Sen. Liljenquist)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change: 2/2/11)	In legislative Research and General Counsel	<u>(LG)</u>
SB 253- State Hospital Amendments (Rep Adams)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/2/11)	In Legislative Research and General Counsel	<u>(AT)</u>
SB 283- Adult Protective Services Amendments (Sen. Christensen)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/2/11)	In Legislative Research and General Counsel	<u>(AT)</u>

Position Descriptions

SUPPORT = The DLC supports the bill.

OPPOSE = The DLC is against the bill.

MONITOR = The DLC has not yet taken a position but is monitoring the development of the bill to help ensure the best possible outcome for people with disabilities.

REVIEW = The DLC has not yet taken a position and is researching the bill for its potential impact on people with disabilities.

Italics = DLC comment or explanation of position.

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