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2011 General Session Bill Tracker

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Bill Number/ Name	State \$	Summary / Analysis	Status/Link	Position
HCR 9- Lupus Awareness Month (Rep. Cosgrove)	0	Designates May 2011 as Lupus Awareness Day Month as a way to increase awareness/education	Passed House 2/27/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hcr009.htm .	SUPPORT
HB 84- Office of Inspector General of Medicaid Services (Rep. Clark)		Creates within the governor's office, the Office of Inspector General of Medicaid	Senate: waiting on fiscal note 2/21/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/hbillhtm/hb0084.htm .	MONITOR (RD)
1SHB 128 Health Reform Amendments (Rep. Dunnighan)	\$150,800 per year.	Improves Utah's health insurance exchange and prepares the state for implementation of national health reform	Senate Introduced 2/18/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0128s01.htm .	SUPPORT (RD)
HB 151 Compulsory Education Amendments (Rep. Briscoe)		Modifies the Definition of "school-age minor" for purposes of establishing compulsory education requirements (changes age from 6 to 5)	Held in Committee 2/25/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/hbillhtm/hb0151.htm	REVIEW (LG)

HB 161 Guardian Ad Litem Responsibilities (Rep. Oda)		Requires Guardians ad litem to participate in child and family plan meetings	Senate Standing Committee 2/23/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0161.htm	<u>SUPPORT</u>
HB 172 Service Animal Amendments (Rep. Grover)		Although federal law limits the definition of "service animal" to dogs, this Utah Bill may be more expansive than a federal one.	Senate Standing Committee 2/23/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0172.htm	<u>MONITOR (LM AK)</u>
1SHB 174 – Contracting for Medicaid Eligibility Determination Services (Rep. Harper)	\$0	Requires DOH to issue an exploratory request for proposals by August 2012.	Favorable Recommendation in Senate Committee 2/25/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0174s01.htm .	<u>MONITOR (AR)</u>
HB 179 -Peace Officer Recertification Amendments (Rep. Greenwood)	\$0	Requires police officer to recertify in various training programs throughout their careers at certain intervals.	Favorable Recommendation in Senate Committee 2/25/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0179s01.htm .	<u>REVIEW (AR)</u>
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.	Placed on Senate 3 rd reading Calendar 2/18/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmddoc/hbillhtm/hb0204.htm	<u>SUPPORT (AZ)</u>
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.	Passed http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmddoc/hbillhtm/hb0215.htm	<u>REVIEW (AT)</u>
HB 217 - Appointment of Director of the Division of Health	\$0	Provides that the director of the Division of Health Care Financing shall	Passed	<u>MONITOR (AR)</u>

Care Financing (Rep. Clark)		be appointed by the governor, after consultation with the Senate and the Department of Health.	http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0217.htm	
HB 222 -Support Obligation for Children in State Custody (Rep. Wiley)	\$104,400	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 2/16/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0222.htm .	<u>SUPPORT</u>
1SHB 230 -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.)	Passed http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0230.htm	<u>SUPPORT</u>
HB 234 Assertive Community Mental Health Treatment Pilot Program (Rep. Moss)	\$366,100 in FY 11; \$298,900 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.	New Fiscal Note made public 2/25/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmddoc/hbillhtm/hb0234.htm	<u>SUPPORT</u>
HB 240 -Social Services-Employment First Priority (Rep. Menlove)	N/A	Requires DWS and the Division of Services for People With Disabilities to give priority to assisting individuals under their care in gaining employment; requires government entities to help individuals plan ways to carry out this goal.	Passed http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmddoc/hbillhtm/hb0240.htm	<u>SUPPORT</u>
1SHB 256 Children's Health Insurance and Medicaid Administrative		Requires Department of Health to fund a simplified enrollment and renewal process for CHIP, Medicaid, and the	Favorable Recommendation from Senate 2/25/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0256.htm	<u>SUPPORT</u>

Simplification (Rep. Dunnighan)		Primary Care Network Demonstration Project Programs.		
HB 279 Direct Primary Elections (Rep. Litvacck)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/22/11)	In Process	(LM)
HB 280 State Agency Realignment (Rep. Harper)		Creates an advisory council in the Governor's Programs Code to study and make recommendations on the consolidation of state agencies to achieve efficiencies in state government.	Senate 2 nd reading Calendar 2/25/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0280.htm	(AR)
HB 283 Transportation Amendments (Rep. Harper)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/22/11)	In Process	(LM)
HB 284 Guardianship Amendments (Rep. Powell)		Defines terms and creates a method within the courts for the appointment of a guardian or conservator for a minor or an incapacitated adult	House Standing 2/24/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0284.htm	(RD, LB)
HB 290 Public School Transportation Amendments (Rep. Wimmer)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/22/11)	In Process	(LG)
HB 310 Voter Registration Amendments (Rep. Powell)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/22/11)	In Process	(LM)
HB 332 Utility Payment Assistance (Rep. Wimmer)	N/A	Requires that a gas or electric corporation obtain a customer's permission before billing the customer for low-income assistance program funding. Will affect the entire low-income	House Standing Committee 2/25/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0332.htm .	MONITOR (AR), (RD)

		community.		
HB 338 Transportation Modifications (Rep. Anderson)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/22/11)	In Process	<u>(LM)</u>
HB 357 Long Term Care Amendments (Rep. Ray)	N/A	Directs the DOH to apply for a waiver so an individual being evaluated for Medicaid benefits won't have to move from their place of residence.	Made Public 2/25/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0357.htm .	<u>(AT)</u>
HB 360 Housing Alternatives for Nursing Home Eligible Parolees (Rep. Hutchings)		Amends provisions of the Medical Assistance Act relating to a Medicaid certification request for additional beds	House Workforce Services, Community, & Economic Development Committee 2/18/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0360.htm	<u>(AT)</u>
HB 366 Election Law Changes (Rep. Dee)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/22/11)	In Process	<u>(LM)</u>
HB 369 Fire Code Modifications (Rep. Froerer)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/22/11)	In Process	<u>(SB)</u>
HB 403 Changes to Fit Premises Act (Rep. Seelig)	0	Provides that an owner may not impose a restriction on a renter's ability to request assistance from the authorities, or penalize or evict a renter for making reasonable requests to state authorities.	Placed on 2 nd House reading calendar 2/23/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/hbillint/hb0403.htm .	<u>MONITOR</u>
HB 442 Criminal Procedure Amendments (Rep. Wilson)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/22/11)	In Process	<u>(SB)</u>
HB 449 Medicaid Payment Amendments (Rep. Last)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/22/11)	In Process	<u>(AR, RD)</u>
HB 454 State Hospital Amendments (Rep. Last)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/22/11)	In Process	<u>(AT, LB)</u>

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 2/23/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/sbillhtm/scr001.htm	<u>SUPPORT</u>
SJR 7 -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.	Passed 1/27/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/sbillint/sjr007s01.htm .	<u>SUPPORT</u>
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	<u>SUPPORT (SB)</u>
SB 39 -Children's Justice Center Program Amendments (Sen. Okerlund)	180,000 annually (FY2012)	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	<u>SUPPORT</u>
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.	Not considered 1/26/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/sbillhtm/sb0040.htm	<u>SUPPORT (LB)</u>
SB 48 -Alzheimer's State Plan Task Force	One-time \$25000 cost.	Creates the Alzheimer's State Plan	Returned to House Rules due to fiscal impact 2/17/11	<u>MONITOR</u>

(Sen. Morgan)		Task Force and requires a report to be submitted by them by Nov '11 to DHS.	http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/sbillint/sb0048.htm	
1SB 50 -Enhanced Penalties for HIV Positive Offender Amednments	0	Provides that under Utah Law it would be a 3 rd degree felony to 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.	Passed 1/25/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/sbillhtm/sb0050.htm .	<u>REVIEW (AR)</u>
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.	Fiscal Note requested 2/24/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/sbillint/sb0065.htm .	<u>SUPPORT (LG)</u>
SB 103 -Utah False Claims Act Amendments (Sen. McAdams)	N/A	Amends the Utah False Claims Act to make it easier to file a claim, and modifies provisions regarding penalties.	Senate Rules Committee http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/sbillhtm/sb0103.htm	<u>SUPPORT (AR)</u>
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.	Passed http://le.utah.gov/~2011/htmdoc/sbillhtm/sb0104.htm	<u>SUPPORT (AT)</u>
1SSB 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.	Passed 2 nd Senate Reading 2/25/11 http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/sbillint/sb0137.htm .	<u>MONITOR (AR)</u>
1SB 180 - Medicaid Reform (Liljenquist)	\$4,000 in FY 11 only.	Puts a cap on Medicaid's budget; creates a Medicaid Rainy Day Fund; pays for quality of care rather than	House to Standing Committee 2/24/11 http://www.le.state.ut.us/~2011/htmdoc/sbillhtm/SB0180.htm	<u>MONITOR (AR, RD)</u>

		quantity of care		
SB 186 -Utah Medical Practice Acts Amendments (Rep Adams)	\$16,000 annually.	Clarifies medical licensing requirements and prohibits people from using terms like “doctor” in a misleading manner.	Introduced 2/25/11	(RD)
SB 209 Telecommunication Amendments (Rep. Bramble)	Impact not available	A program will created whereby certified deaf or severely hearing or speech-impaired customers of telecommunications corporations will be provided a telecommunications device capable of serving the individual’s need at no charge.	Placed on 2 nd senate reading calendar http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/sbillint/sb0209.htm .	
SB 227 -Student Based Funding for Public Education (Sen. Liljenquist)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change: 2/22/11)	In legislative Research and General Counsel	(LG)
SB 253 -State Hospital Amendments (Rep Adams)	\$123,000 in FY 11; \$40,000 in FY12.	Amends provisions of the Utah Human Services Code by requiring the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health to issue a request for proposals for a private entity to operate the state hospital.	Senate 2 nd reading calendar (2/25/11) http://le.utah.gov/~2011/bills/sbillint/sb0253.htm	(AT)
SB 283 -Adult Protective Services Amendments (Sen. Christensen)	N/A	Awaiting Text (no change; 2/22/11)	In Legislative Research and General Counsel	(AT)

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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