

Bill#	Title	Description	Status	Position	Notes
HF3	Public Assistance Benefits	Requires identify confirmation and eligibility testing for public benefit programs, including SNAP, FIP and Medicaid. Directs DHHS to submit federal waiver regarding re-enrollment for certain Iowa Health Wellness Plan member and require community engagement as condition of participation. Also requires a waiver to make SNAP foods the same as WIC. Adds \$1 million for double up food bucks.	House Health & Human Services Committee	Opposed	<i>Subcommittee working on an amendment, which will include removal of WIC/SNAP limits (except sugar soda & candy bars); tom.jeneary@legis.iowa.gov is still taking comments.</i>
HF21	Nicotine Solution Product Tax	Imposes a tax of 26% of the wholesale price of nicotine solution products.	House Health & Human Services Committee	Support	
HF50	Eating Disorder Coverage	Requires health insurance plans to cover eating disorders. Applies to plans issued on or after January 1, 2024.	House Health & Human Services Committee		
HF71	Breast Cancer Exam Coverage	Requires health insurance carriers to provide coverage for diagnostic breast cancer examinations. Applies to plans issued on or after January 1, 2024.	House Commerce Committee		
HF76	Controlled Substance Arrest Reports	Repeals reporting requirements of arrests of unlawful users of scheduled controlled substances to IDPH.	House Public Safety Committee		<i>Passed out of sub 2-1; no one for or against; asked IDPH for update on this</i>
HF91	Nonprofit Sales Tax Exemption	Expands state sales tax exemption to all nonprofit entities exempt from federal taxation.	House Ways & Means Committee		
HSB9	Mental Health Practitioner Loan Program	Repeals Mental Health Practitioner Loan Program passed last year and adds back with both non-prescribing (social workers, psychologists, behavior analysts, mental health counselors, marital and family therapists) and prescribing providers (psychiatric PAs, psychiatrists, psychiatric ARNPs).	House Health & Human Services Committee	Undecided	<i>Priority given to mental health HPSA but service area can be anywhere; service areas must contribute \$10k for psychiatrist; \$5k PA, ARNP; \$4k others</i>

HSB24, SSB1044	Health Care Direct Services	Defines direct services for health care agencies and entities for the purposes of non-compete contract clauses, and includes services by nurses, nurse's aides, medication aide, and medication managers. Adds to those excluded: ARNPs, OTs, PTs, and janitor/kitchen/laundry staff. Applies retroactively to contracts on or after January 1, 2019.	House Health & Human Services Committee	Undecided	<i>Passed out of House sub 3-0 with an amendment</i>
HSB49	Autism HCBS Waiver	Directs HHS to apply for a Medicaid home and community-based services waiver for children with autism.	House Health & Human Services Committee		
HSB51	Immunizations/ Epinephrine Shots	Allows podiatrists to administer immunizations, vaccines, and order, prescribe, and administer epinephrine shots. Takes effect upon enactment.	House Health & Human Services Committee		<i>Passed out of sub 3-0</i>
HSB52	Medicaid Pediatric Payments	Requires tiered rate reimbursement for pediatric outpatient care.	House Health & Human Services Committee	Undecided	
HSB57	Psychiatric Residency/Fellowship Program	Renames the program to state-funded psychiatric residency and fellowship program, and adds up to two fellowships to the program (which will fund up to 9 residents). Residents will receive \$100,000/each; fellows will receive \$150,000/each. Requires UI to provide financial support for residency positions in excess of the federal residency cap.	House Health & Human Services Committee		<i>Passed out of sub 3-0</i>
HSB80	Midwife Licensure	Requires midwives to be licensed beginning July 1, 2024. Establishes requirements for licensure and provides exceptions for certain individuals. Creates a seven-member board of midwifery (including one OBGYN, one Certified Nurse-Midwife). Also requires private insurance to pay for licensed midwife services (this is the only change from last year).	House Ways & Means Committee		<i>Rep. Kaufmann now chair of Ways & Means, so that's why its in this committee</i>
HSB81	Administrative Rules Process Changes	Changes the administrative rule-making process followed by executive branch agencies. Takes effect January 1, 2024.	House Administration & Rules Committee		

HSB91	Governor's Health Care Bill	Makes several provisions related to children and families well-being, including rural emergency hospitals, regional centers of excellence grant program, non-economic damage awards against health care providers, family medicine obstetrics fellowship program, self-administered hormonal contraceptives, insurance benefits, more options for maternal support (MOMS) program, state employee paid parental leave benefit, child care center property tax changes, adoption expenses, and all Iowa opportunity scholarship program.	House Health & Human Services Committee		
SF1	Certificate of Need	Eliminates the certificate of need process.	Senate Health & Human Services Committee	Undecided	
SF3	Adoptive Parent Employees	Requires employers to treat adoptive parents in the same manner as biological parents of newborns for family leave purposes for the first year of adoption.	Senate Health & Human Services Committee		
SF5	Health Care Employment Reporting	Eliminates certain wage reporting requirements by health care employment agencies related to Medicaid/Medicare contracts.	Senate Health & Human Services Committee	Undecided	
SF28	Seat Belts	Requires all vehicle occupants to wear seat belts, safety harness, or child restraint system.	Senate Transportation Committee		
SF56	Medicaid Maternal Benefits	Requires HHS to amend Medicaid contracts to increase reimbursements for certain maternal care services, including labor and delivery, maternal/fetal medicine services, prenatal and postpartum visits, breastfeeding support, transportation to prenatal/postpartum care, and postpartum care products.			<i>D bill, not moving, but may want to consider supporting; does not include 12-month post partum expansion..</i>
SF57	Medicaid Postpartum Coverage	Requires HHS to submit a state plan amendment to extend Medicaid postpartum benefits to 12 months. Takes effect upon enactment.	Senate Health & Human Services Committee	Support	<i>D bill, so probably no chance moving outside budget process</i>
SF62	State Child Care Assistance	Requires HHS to phase-in an increase for eligibility for state childcare assistance to 200% of the poverty level by 2028.	Senate Health & Human Services Committee		

SF69	Medical Cannabidiol Legal Task Force	Creates a Medical Cannabidiol Legal Task Force to investigate how the state can allow use and administration of prescribed cannabidiol products in long-term care settings and schools (without risk of losing federal funds).	Senate Judiciary Committee	Undecided	
SF86	Non-Medical Switching-Prescription Drugs	Prohibits health plans from limiting prescription drug coverage for individuals during their eligibility under the plan if they are medically stable on the drug, the drug was approved by the carrier, and it was prescribed within the past six months. Applies to plans issued or renewed on or after January 1, 2024.	Senate Commerce Committee	Undecided	<i>should we switch to support?</i>
SF99	Infant Death Forms	Requires medical examiner investigation forms for infants age 0-3 include the date of last vaccination.	Senate Health & Human Services Committee		<i>Unlikely to move again, but do we want to switch to oppose?</i>
SF110	Gender Transformation Procedures/Civil Action	Makes medical practitioners performing gender transition procedures on minors civilly liable for any physical or mental health damages resulting from the surgery or procedure (which includes administering puberty blockers). Gives minors up to 30 years to bring a civil action against the medical practitioner. Prohibits medical practitioners who perform gender transition procedures from receiving HHS funding (which may include Medicaid). Takes effect upon enactment.	Senate Judiciary Committee		<i>The Civil statute of limitations on childhood sexual assault is only 20 years; this is 30 years....no medical groups opposing (they are letting it die)</i>
SF133, HF23	Conditional Prescription Certificates	Changes requirements for prescribing psychologist licensure by eliminating requirement that the physician supervising practicum to be board-certified, eliminates requirement that a psychologist complete their program within five years of licensure, and clarifies that prescribing psychologist will maintain a collaborative relationship with the person's primary care provider (current law defines this narrowly to be physician, when many PCPs are PAs or ARNPs).	Senate Floor (companion in House HHS Committee)		<i>House has subcommittee Monday at Noon.</i>

SF148, HF102	Tort Reform	Limits the amount of noneconomic damages juries can award a plaintiff in cases against health care providers to \$1 million if there is substantial loss or bodily function impairment, substantial disfigurement, or death.	Senate Floor (companion in House HHS Committee)		<i>Passed House sub, will be in committee Monday and likely on floor later in the week (and signed by week's end)</i>
SF159	Gender Identity/ Schools	Prohibits gender identity and sexual orientation education for grades K-8. Requires teachers to notify parents/guardians of a change in student's mental, emotional, or physical health or well-being. Makes provisions for parents/guardians to report alleged violations of school's human growth and development instruction	Senate Education Committee		
SF160	Prescribing/ Dispensing Authority	Prohibits licensing boards and employers from restricting the authority of a prescribing practitioner during a public health disaster.	Senate Health & Human Services Committee		
SF164	Child Restraint Devices	Expands requirements for vehicle child restraint devices. Requires children under the age of 3/30 lbs to be in a rear-facing child seat. Requires children under 8 to be in child restraint systems used according to the manufacturer's instruction. Requires children under 18 to wear seatbelts in any seat in the car.	Senate Floor		
SSB1024, HSB47	Mental Health Provider Loan Repayment Program	Changes when loan repayment is made to a qualified provider (at end of service year instead of at beginning) and clarifies the loan repayments are made annually. This eliminates the need for a person to refund the payment if they are not able to finish the year in a rural area. This is also being done with the Rural Primary Care Loan Repayment Program. Filed by the Iowa College Student Aid Commission.	Senate Education Committee (companion in House Education Committee)		<i>Passed Senate sub; House sub is Monday at 12:30 pm</i>

SSB1025, HSB48	Rural Iowa Primary Care Loan Repayment Program	Makes loan repayments at the end of the person's year of service in a rural area, thus eliminating the need for a person to repay that loan if they are not able to finish the year in a qualified area. Similar to what is also being done in other similar programs (like the Mental Health Provider Loan Repayment Program). Requested by the Iowa College Student Aid Commission.	Senate Education Committee (companion in House Education Committee)		<i>Senate sub passed; House sub indefinitely postponed (will run Senate bill first, then assign to House HHS Committee instead of Education)</i>
SSB1078, HSB76	Brain Health	Includes brain illnesses in legislative findings related to brain injury services. Requires HHS to recognize the term brain health as a term that mental health providers may use in matters related to mental/behavioral health, and makes brain health and brain illness synonymous with mental health and mental illness.	Senate Health & Human Services Committee (companion in House Health & Human Services Committee)		<i>Both bills passed out of sub this week.</i>