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		SENATE BILLS		
SB 3	Legislative Post Audit Committee	Requiring the department of health and environment to audit hospital compliance with the lay caregiver act and report the results of such audit to the legislature.	2/4/2025	
SB 19	Committee on Public Welfare	Enacting the conscientious right to refuse act to prohibit discrimination against individuals who refuse medical care and creating a civil cause of action based on such discrimination and revoking the authority of the secretary of health and environment to quarantine individuals and impose associated penalties.	2/5/2025	NFA
SB 29	Committee on Public Welfare	Enacting the constitutional right to health freedom act to regulate the activities of local health officers related to public health functions and revoking the secretary's authority to quarantine individuals and impose penalties for violations thereof.	2/7/2025	2/11/2025 BPA - Sen Sub SB 29
SB 31	Committee on Public Welfare	Updating certain provisions of the Kansas dental practices act relating to dentist information requested by patients, in-person practice requirements in dental office using licensee's name, unprofessional conduct and patient complaints.	1/30/2025	NFA
SB 41	Senator Blasi obo Committee on Public Health and Welfare	Adding advanced practice registered nurses to the definition of healthcare provider for purposes of the healthcare provider insurance availability act.	2/6/2025	NFA

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SB 63	Committee on Public Health and Welfare	Enacting the help not harm act, restricting use of state funds to promote gender transitioning, prohibiting healthcare providers from providing gender transition care to children whose gender identity is inconsistent with the child's sex, authorizing a civil cause of action against healthcare providers for providing such treatments, requiring professional discipline against a healthcare provider who performs such treatment, prohibiting professional liability insurance from covering damages for healthcare providers that provide gender transition treatment to children and adding violation of the act to the definition of unprofessional conduct for physicians.	1/28/2025	1/29/2025 BPA
SB 67	Committee on Public Health and Welfare	Authorizing registered nurse anesthetists to engage in independent practice and prescribe drugs and prohibiting registered nurse anesthetists from performing an abortion or prescribing drugs to induce an abortion.	2/13/2025	2/17/2025 BPA Sen Sub SB 67
SB 82	Committee on Public Health and Welfare	Requiring the secretary for aging and disability services to grant physical environment waivers for certain rural emergency hospitals to provide skilled nursing facility care.	2/11/2025	2/13/2025 BP
SB 88	Committee on Public Health and Welfare	Requiring the state long-term care ombudsman and regional ombudsman to receive training in memory care.	2/11/2025	2/13/2025 BP

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SB 102	Senator Shane	Clarifying the identifying information in mandatory reports of abuse or neglect of children and increasing the penalty for failing to report such abuse or neglect.	No Action	2/11/25 w/drawn from this committee and referred to Judiciary Committee
SB 126	Doug Smith obo Academy of Physicians	Enacting the physician assistant licensure compact to provide interstate practice privileges for physician assistants.	2/10/2025	2/11/2025 BPA
SB132	Senator Blew in Committee on Federal & State Affairs	Establishing certain license fees and training requirements, creating a process for day care facility licensees to apply for temporary waiver of certain statutory requirements and authorizing the secretary to develop and operate pilot programs to increase child care facility availability or capacity, transferring certain child care programs to the Kansas office of early childhood and separating licensing duties between the secretary for health and environment and the executive director of early childhood.	No Action	No Action
SB145	Senator Blew in Committee on Federal & State Affairs	Requiring immediate notification of a report of abuse or neglect to a law enforcement agency and providing for law enforcement agencies to request resources from the secretary for children and families.	2/12/2025	NFA

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SB149	Committee on Federal & State Affairs	Requiring that a haircare plan is part of the case plan for a child in custody of the secretary for children and family services and requiring the secretary to offer training on culturally competent haircare to caregivers.	No Action	No Action
SB150	Committee on Public Health & Welfare	Prohibiting the denial of coverage for the refilling of prescription topical eye medication	No Action	No Action
SB158	Brenna Visocsky on behalf of Kansas Appleseed	Allowing persons with felony drug convictions to receive benefits under the supplemental nutrition assistance program.	No Action	No Action
SB172	Senator Shane for Committee on Public Health & Welfare	Prohibiting a school from excluding a child who has been exposed to an infectious or contagious disease without an isolation or quarantine order.	No Action	No Action
SB174	Committee on Public Health & Welfare	Enacting the abolish abortion Kansas act to make all abortions subject to criminal prosecution for violation of Alexa's law and to remove certain exceptions to the cause of action for the wrongful death of an unborn child when such death is caused by an abortion	No Action	No Action
SB175	Committee on Public Health & Welfare	Updating the definition of athletic trainer and providing an exemption for those licensed in another state, District of Columbia, territory or foreign country to practice in Kansas.	2/10/2025	2/14/2025 BPA
SB182	Financial Institutions & Insurance	Enacting the Kansas medical loss ratios for dental healthcare services plans act.	No Action	No Action

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SB193	Committee on Public Health & Welfare	Removing law enforcement agencies and officers from the state board of pharmacy's statewide opioid antagonist protocol.	2/12/2025	2/13/2025 BPA Sen Sub for SB 193
SB 198	Senator Murphy obo Committee on Public Health & Welfare	Prohibiting abortion procedures except when necessary to save the life of the pregnant woman and providing a private cause of action for civil enforcement of violations of such prohibition.	No Action	No Action
SB 207	Senator Fagg obo Committee on Ways and Means	Requiring the Kansas children's cabinet and the department of health and environment to implement a pilot program to offer health services, telehealth consultations and medication reimbursements to child care providers, while prohibiting stricter local regulations, allowing local registration of providers, increasing state funding for the child and adult care food program and providing free training and education materials to providers.	No Action	No Action
SB 219	Senator Sykes	Imposing certain health insurance coverage requirements for screening and diagnostic examinations for breast cancer.	No Action	No Action
SB 236	Senator Holscher obo Committee on Public Health & Welfare	Authorizing victims of childhood abuse or neglect to access records related to substantiated reports or investigations of abuse or neglect.	No Action	No Action
SB 249	Senator Warren obo Committee on Public Health & Welfare	Establishing the fetal alcohol spectrum disorder (FASD) advisory committee to prevent FASD and provide for treatment and support for affected individuals and their families.	No Action	No Action

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SB 250	Senator Gossage obo Committee on Public Health & Welfare	Enacting the right to try for individualized treatments act to permit a manufacturer to make an individualized investigative treatment available to a requesting patient.	2/14/2025	2/17/2025 BP
SB 251	Senators Clifford & Holscher obo Committee on Pulic Health & Welfare	Requiring the department of health and environment to submit an annual report to the legislature concerning the newborn screening program.	No Action	No Action
SB 253	Kevin Barone obo Kansas Massage Therapy Association	Enacting the massage therapist licensure act to provide for regulation and licensing of massage therapists.	No Action	No Action
SB 257	Senator Pettey obo Committee on Ways & Means	Expanding medical assistance eligibility and enacting the healthcare access for working Kansans (HAWK) act.	No Action	No Action
SB 264	Senator Pettey obo Committee on Ways & Means	Removing noncooperation with child support from disqualifications for child care subsidies.	No Action	No Action
SB 271	Senator Billlinger for Committee on Ways & Means	Updating income eligibility requirements for the state children's health insurance program.	No Action	No Action
SB 276	Senator Blasi obo Committee on State & Federal Affairs	Removing the state fire marshal from the adult care home licensure act and the providers of disability services act and requiring the state fire marshal to complete training in person-centered care and responding to individuals with Alzheimer's disease and intellectual and developmental disabilities.	3/6/2025 withdrawn	No action
SB 291	Senator Shallenburger obo Committee on Assessment and Taxation	Modifying certain provisions of the optometry law relating to scope of practice, definitions and credentialing requirements.	No action	No action

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HOUSE BILLS				
HB 2027	Rep. Awerkamp obo Committee on Welfare Reform	Reorganizing subsections of the public assistance statute.	2/27/2025	3/4/2025 BP
HB 2039	Rep. Buehler obo Fox Rehabilitation by Committee on Health and Human Services	Amending definitions in the Kansas credentialing act to provide that certain entities providing physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech-language pathology are not home health agencies.	2/26/2025	3/18/2025 BPA
HB 2068	William Wilk obo The Kansas Chamber by Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	Enacting the cosmetology compact to provide interstate practice privileges.	2/25/2025	Contents of HB2219 added to HB2068 3/5/2025 BPA
HB 2069	William Wilk obo The Kansas Chamber by Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	Enacting the school psychologist licensure compact to provide interstate practice privileges for school psychologists.	3/4/2025	Contents of HB2070 added to HB2069. 3/5/2025 BPA
HB 2070	William Wilk obo the Kansas Chamber by Committee on Commerce, Labor and Economic Development	Enacting the dietitian licensure compact to provide interstate practice privileges for dietitians	3/4/2025	Contents of HB2070 added to HB2069 3/5/2025
HB 2075	Laura Howard, Secretary for Children & Family by Committee on Child Welfare & Foster Care	Requiring that a permanency hearing for a child in custody of the secretary be held within nine months from such child's removal from the home.	3/5/2025	3/6/2025 BPA
HB 2170	Rep. Essex by Committee on Health & Human Services	Designating the first full week of February as Kansas burn awareness week	3/6/2025	3/11/2025 BP

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HB 2217	Rep. Bryce obo the Attorney General's Office by Committee on Health and Human Services	Expanding the scope of the inspector general to audit and investigate all state cash, food or health assistance programs and granting the inspector general the power to subpoena, administer oaths and execute search warrants thereto.	3/18/2025	3/18/2025 BP
HB 2219	Rep. Buehler obo the Kansas Chamber by Committee on Health & Human Services	Enacting the physician assistant licensure compact to provide interstate practice privileges for physician assistants.	3/5/2025	Contents of HB2219 added to HB2068 3/5/2025
HB 2223	Rep. Buehler obo the Kansas Optometric Association by Committee on Health & Human Services	Modifying certain provisions of the optometry law relating to scope of practice, definitions and credentialing requirements.	3/24/2025	NFA
HB 2246	Representative W. Carpenter on behalf of the Robert G. (Bob) Bethell Joint Committee on Home and Community Based Services and KanCare Oversight, by Committee on Health & Human Services	Directing the department of administration to adopt written policies governing the negotiated procurement of managed care organizations to provide state medicaid services pursuant to a contract with the Kansas program of medical assistance	No Action	No Action
HB 2249	Representative W. Carpenter on behalf of the Kansas Hospital Association by Committee on Health & Human Services	Requiring the secretary for aging and disability services to grant physical environment waivers for certain rural emergency hospitals to provide skilled nursing facility care.	3/11/2025	3/13/2025 BPA

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HB 2280	Sean Gatewood obo Sunflowr Consulting by Committee on Federal & State Affairs	Clarifying that the authorized activities of paramedics, advanced emergency medical technicians, emergency medical technicians and emergency medical responders may be authorized upon the order of a healthcare professional, permitting certain ambulance services to offer service for less than 24 hours per day, every day of the year, and requiring entities using automated external defibrillators to register with the emergency medical services board.	3/11/2025	3/12/2025 BPA
HB 2284	Representative W. Carpenter on behalf of the Robert G. (Bob) Bethell Joint Committee on Home and Community Based Services and KanCare Oversight	Directing the department of administration to adopt written policies governing the negotiated procurement of managed care organizations to provide state medicaid services pursuant to a contract with the Kansas program of medical assistance.	3/11/2025	3/13/2025 BP
HB 2307	Representative Howell obo Kansans for Life by Committee on Health & Human Service	Transferring the power to authorize and oversee certain activities regarding prenatal and postnatal diagnosed conditions awareness programs from the department of health and environment to the Kansas council on developmental disabilities.	3/6/2025	3/11/2025 BP
HB 2311	Representative Humphries by Committee on Child Welfare and Foster Care	Prohibiting the secretary from adopting and enforcing policies for placement, custody and appointment of a custodian that may conflict with sincerely held religious or moral beliefs regarding sexual orientation or gender identity and creating a right of action for violations.	3/12/2025	3/18/2025 BPA

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HB 2335	Representative Proctor by Committee on Insurance	Adding maternity center to the definition of healthcare provider for purposes of the healthcare provider insurance availability act.	3/13/2025	3/18/2025 BPA
HB 2365	Rep. Richard Carpenter obo Kansas Deepartment for Aging and Disability Services by Committee on Health and Human Services	Establishing the south central regional mental health hospital.	3/12/2025	3/13/2025 BPA

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CONFIRMATIONS				
	Appointments:			
	By: The Governor of the State of Kansas, Laura Kelly:	***Member: University of Kansas Hospital Authority:***		
	Maureen Mahoney, term ends March 14, 2027	Hearing: 2-26-25		Senate Public Health & Welfare Committee favorably recommended the candidate's appointment be confirmed.
	Donald Hall, term ends March 15, 2029	Hearing: 3-5-2025		Senate Public Health & Welfare Committee favorably recommended the candidate's appointment be confirmed.
	Steven Anderson, term ends January 15, 2029	***Inspector General: Office of the Inspector General:*** Hearing: 2-25-2025		Senate Public Health & Welfare Committee unanimously voted to favorably recommend the candidate's appointment be confirmed.

BILL INDEX ABBREVIATION KEY

BP	Bill Passed
BPA	Bill Passed as Amended
BNP	Bill Not Passed
BP & CC	Bill Passed and to Consent Calendar
NFA	No Final Action
RR	Re-Referred
MTR	Motion to Reconsider