

## Rare Action Network State Legislative Tracker

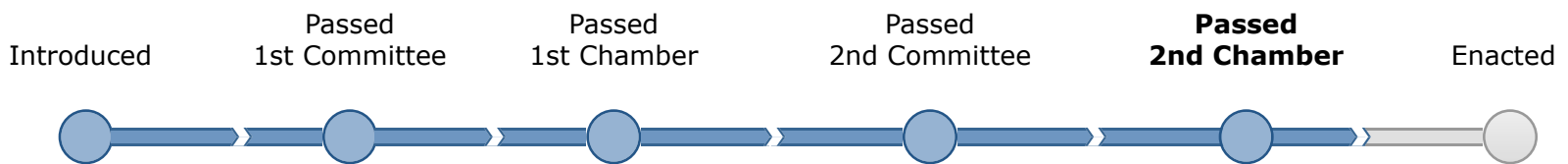
### Summer 2018

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#### Alaska

### 1. AK S 32



**Title:** Biological Products

**Summary:** Relates to biological products; relates to the practice of pharmacy; relates to the Board of Pharmacy; posts and maintain a link to the United States Food and Drug Administration's list of all currently approved interchangeable biological products on the board's Internet website.

**NORD:** NORD supports. Actions: Submitted written testimony and constituent messages

**Disposition:** To Governor

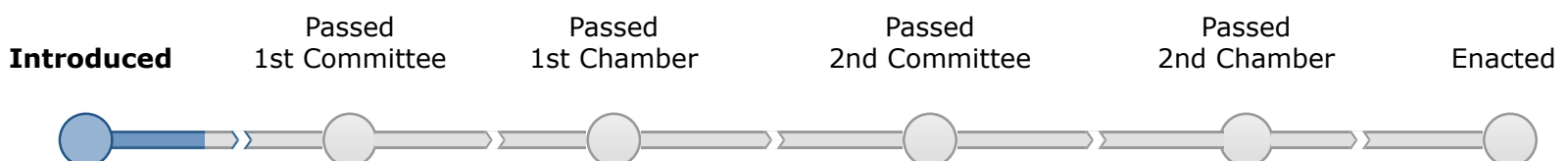
**Introduced:** 01/23/2017

**Author:** Hughes (R)

**Status:** 05/08/2018 Eligible for GOVERNOR'S desk.

#### Arizona

### 2. AZ H 2218



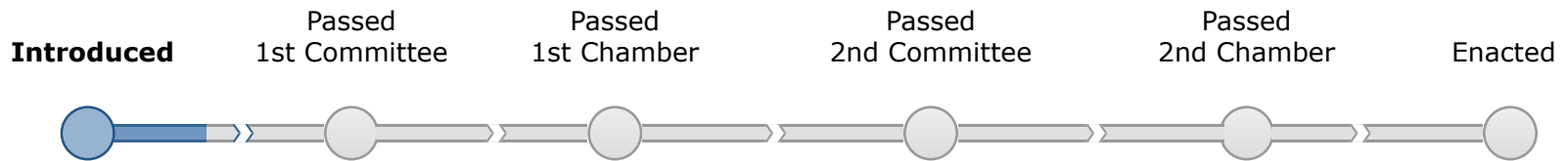
**Title:** Contraception and Cost Sharing Prohibition

**Summary:** Relates to contraception; relates to cost sharing prohibition.

**NORD:** This legislation includes language to expand medical foods coverage.

**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 01/11/2018  
**Author:** Salman (D)  
**Status:** 01/24/2018 To HOUSE Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE.  
01/24/2018 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on RULES.

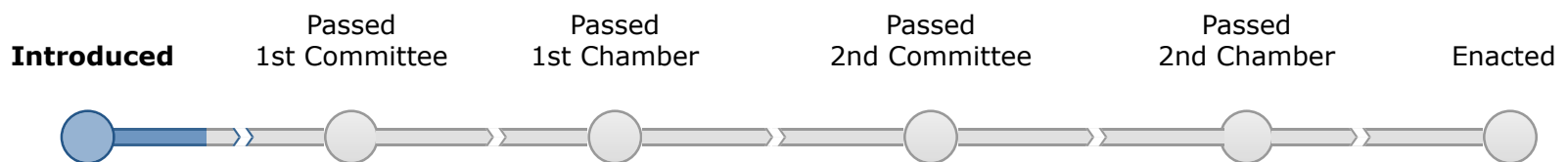
### 3. AZ H 2227



**Title:** Abortion and Religious Employers  
**Summary:** Relates to abortion; relates to religious employers; relates to contraception; relates to repeal.  
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 01/11/2018  
**Author:** Salman (D)  
**Status:** 01/17/2018 To HOUSE Committee on JUDICIARY AND PUBLIC SAFETY.  
01/17/2018 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on FEDERALISM, PROPERTY RIGHTS AND PUBLIC POLICY.  
01/17/2018 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on BANKING AND INSURANCE.  
01/17/2018 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on HEALTH.  
01/17/2018 Additionally referred to HOUSE Committee on RULES.

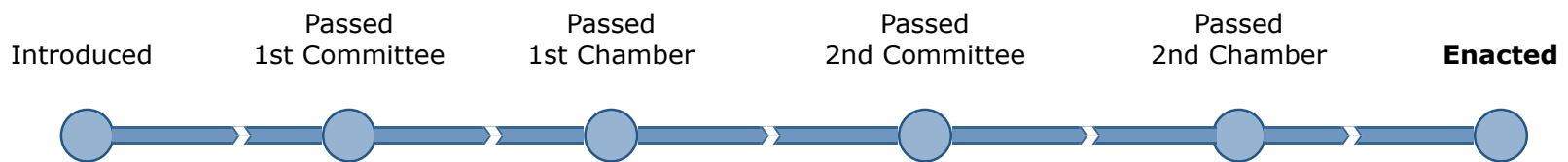
## California

### 4. CA A 1353



**Title:** Health Care Coverage: Prescription Drugs: Continuity  
**Summary:** Requires a health care service plan and health insurer that provides coverage for outpatient prescription drugs to establish an expeditious process by which enrollees and insureds or prescribing providers may obtain an exception to any prior authorization process or any other utilization management or medical management practices. Requires coverage for certain medically necessary nonformulary drugs.  
**NORD:** NORD Supports  
**Disposition:** Failed  
**Introduced:** 02/17/2017  
**Author:** Waldron (R)  
**Status:** 02/01/2018 Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.  
02/01/2018 From Committee: Filed with the Chief Clerk pursuant to JR 56.

## 5. CA S 17



**Title:** Health Care: Prescription Drug Costs

**Summary:** Requires health care service plans or health insurers that file certain rate information to report specified cost information regarding covered prescription drugs, including generic drugs, brand name drugs, and specialty drugs. Requires the publication of a certain report. Establishes notification requirements for certain manufacturers with a specified wholesale acquisition cost of a prescription drug that is purchased or reimbursed by specified purchasers. Makes an appropriation.

**Disposition:** Enacted

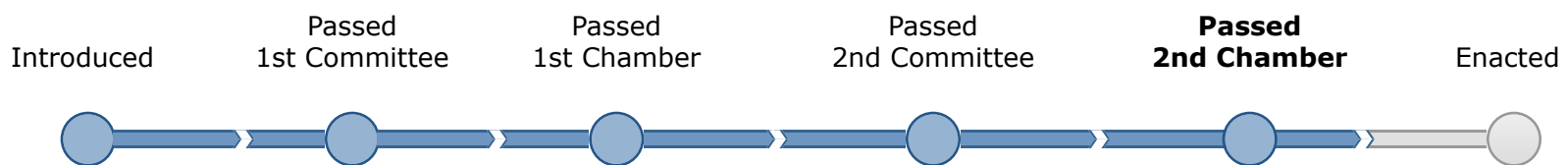
**Introduced:** 12/05/2016

**Author:** Hernandez (D)

**Status:** 10/09/2017 Signed by GOVERNOR.  
10/09/2017 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 2017-603

## Colorado

## 6. CO H 1006



**Title:** Infant Newborn Screening

**Summary:** Concerns modifications to the newborn screening program administered by the Department of Public Health and Environment; updates the current newborn screening program to require more timely newborn hearing screenings; authorizes the department of public health and environment to assess a fee for newborn screening and necessary follow-up services; creates the newborn hearing screening cash fund for the purpose of covering the costs of the program.

**NORD:** NORD supports this legislation

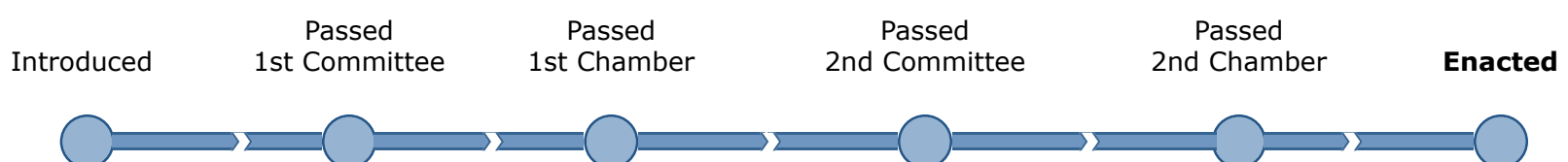
**Disposition:** To Governor

**Introduced:** 01/10/2018

**Sponsor:** Hamner (D)

**Status:** 05/18/2018 \*\*\*\*\*To GOVERNOR.

## 7. CO H 1148



**Title:** Advanced Metastatic Cancer Step Therapy Prohibition

**Summary:** Prohibits a carrier of a health benefit plan that covers treatment for stage four advanced metastatic cancer from requiring a cancer patient to undergo step therapy prior to receiving a drug approved by the USFDA, if use of the approved drug is consistent with best practices for treatment of the cancer.

**Disposition:** Enacted

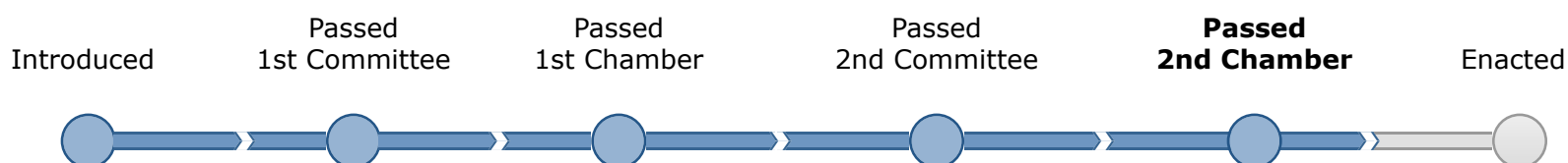
**Introduced:** 01/31/2018

**Sponsor:** Jenet (D)

**Status:** 04/12/2018 Session Law Chaptered. Chapter No. 109

## Connecticut

### 8. CT H 5384



**Title:** Prescription Drug Costs

**Summary:** Concerns prescription drug costs; imposes additional disclosure and reporting requirements on pharmacy benefits managers, health carriers, pharmaceutical manufacturers, the Office of Health Strategy and the Insurance Department concerning prescription drug rebates and the cost of prescription drugs; provides new definitions for several terms related to the provision.

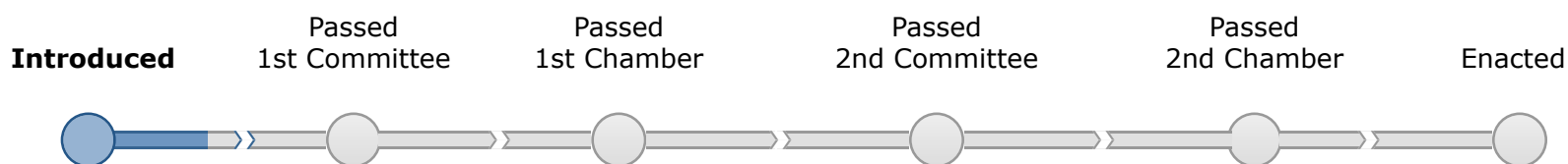
**Disposition:** To Governor

**Introduced:** 03/01/2018

**Introducer:** Joint Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

**Status:** 05/18/2018 \*\*\*\*\*To GOVERNOR.

### 9. CT S 398



**Title:** Step Therapy for Prescription Drugs

**Summary:** Concerns penalties for failure to comply with provisions governing the use of step therapy for prescription drugs; ensures compliance with statutory provisions governing the use of step therapy for prescription drugs.

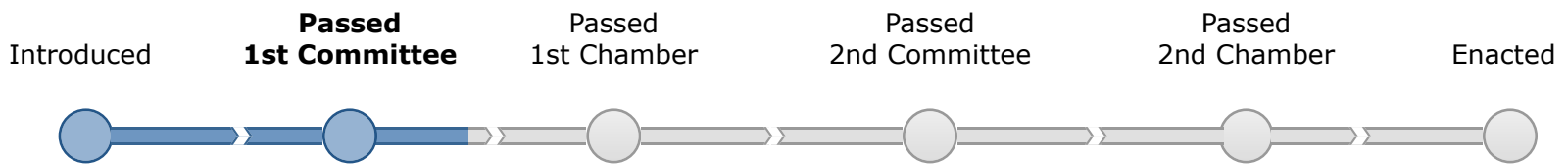
**Disposition:** Failed

**Introduced:** 03/02/2018

**Introducer:** Joint Committee on Judiciary

**Status:** 04/04/2018 Failed Joint Favorable deadline.

10. **FL H 199**



**Title:** Health Insurer Authorization

**Summary:** Relates to health insurer authorization; redefines the term health insurer; defines the term urgent care situation; prohibits prior authorization forms from requiring certain information.

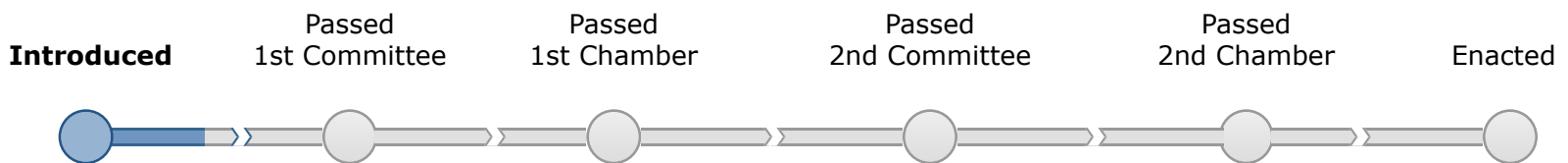
**Disposition:** Failed

**Introduced:** 01/09/2018

**Author:** Harrison (R)

**Status:** 03/10/2018 In HOUSE. Died in committee.

11. **FL S 528**



**Title:** Health Insurance Coverage for Enteral Formulas

**Summary:** Relates to health insurance coverage for enteral formulas; revises criteria for the required coverage of enteral formulas under specified health insurance policies; requires the state group insurance program to provide coverage for certain enteral formulas and amino acid based elemental formulas; specifies a limitation of such coverage by the state group insurance program.

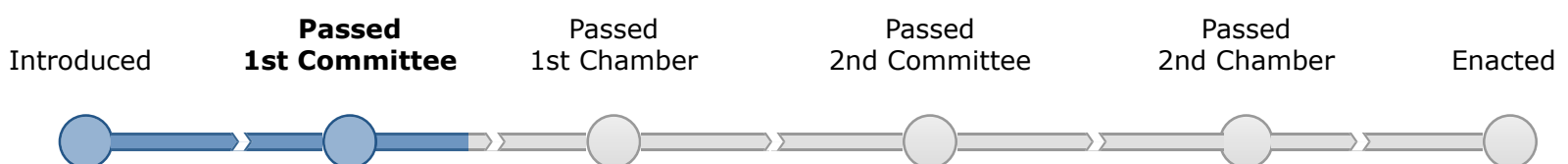
**Disposition:** Failed

**Introduced:** 01/09/2018

**Author:** Stargel (R)

**Status:** 03/10/2018 In SENATE. Died in committee.

12. **FL S 2500**



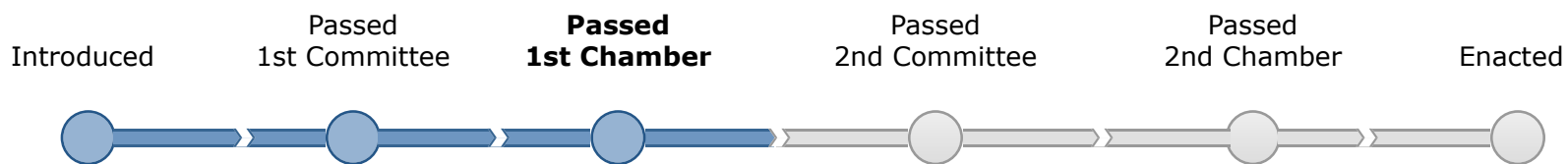
**Title:** Appropriations

**Summary:** Provides moneys and supplemental appropriations for an annual period to pay salaries and other expenses; relates to capital outlay for buildings, and other improvements; provides moneys for other specified purposes of state government.

**Disposition:** Failed  
**Introduced:** 02/01/2018  
**Author:** Senate Appropriations Committee  
**Status:** 02/08/2018 In SENATE. Read third time.  
 02/08/2018 In SENATE. Substituted on SENATE floor by HB 5001  
 02/08/2018 In SENATE. Laid on table, refer to HB 5001

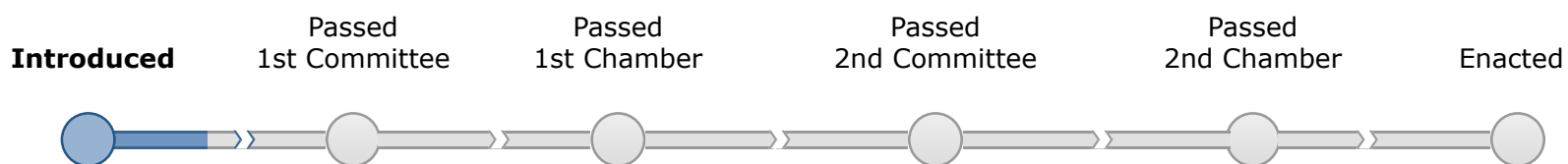
## Georgia

### 13. GA H 519



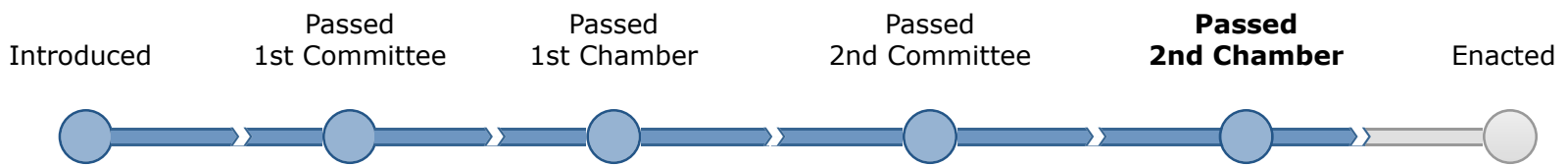
**Title:** Health Benefit Insurance Provisions  
**Summary:** Relates to insurance; requires health benefit plans to establish step therapy protocols; to provide for a step therapy exception process; provides for definitions; provides for statutory construction; provides for rules and regulations.  
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 02/28/2017  
**Author:** Cooper (R)  
**Status:** 02/28/2018 In HOUSE. Read third time. Passed HOUSE. \*\*\*\*\*To SENATE. (172-0)  
 03/01/2018 To SENATE Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.

### 14. GA H 873



**Title:** Insurance and Consumer Protections  
**Summary:** Relates to insurance; provides for consumer protections and freedom of information regarding prescription drug benefits; provides for intent and applicability; provides for definitions; provides for requirements; provides for an advisory committee; provides for related matters; provides for a short title; provides for effective dates and applicability; repeals conflicting laws.  
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 02/07/2018  
**Author:** Knight (R)  
**Status:** 02/12/2018 In HOUSE: Read 2nd time.

### 15. GA S 325



**Title:** Interstate Compact

**Summary:** Relates to the Department of Community Health and insurance generally, respectively, so as to provide for certain coverage under the state health benefit plan and other health benefit plans; to reinstate a pilot program to provide coverage for bariatric surgical procedures for the treatment and management of obesity and related conditions.

**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned

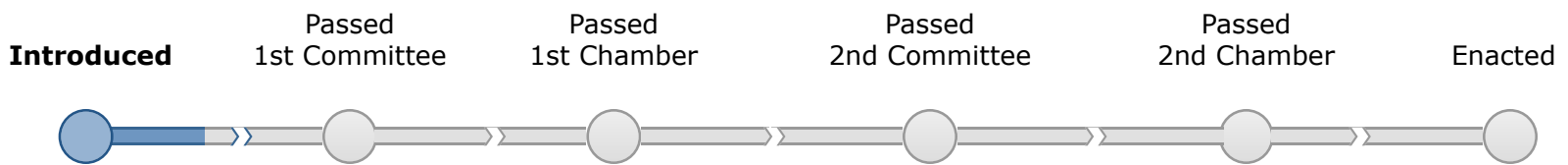
**Introduced:** 01/11/2018

**Author:** Kirkpatrick (R)

**Status:** 03/27/2018 In HOUSE. Amended on HOUSE floor.  
03/27/2018 In HOUSE. Read third time. Passed HOUSE. \*\*\*\*\*To SENATE for concurrence. (153-13)

## Hawaii

### 16. HI H 1289



**Title:** Health Insurance

**Summary:** Establishes requirements for step therapy protocols to ensure patient access to the particular prescription drugs prescribed by health care providers; establishes insurance coverage requirements and standards for appeal of coverage determinations.

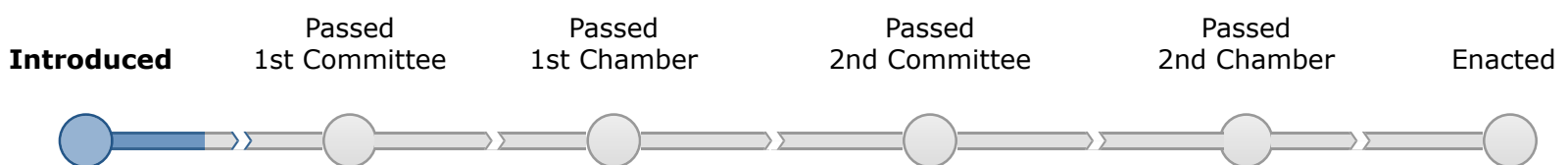
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned

**Introduced:** 01/24/2017

**Author:** Belatti (D)

**Status:** 11/30/2017 Carried over to 2018 Regular Session.  
01/17/2018 Rereferred to HOUSE Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.  
01/17/2018 Subsequent referral set for: HOUSE Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND COMMERCE.  
01/17/2018 Subsequent referral set for: HOUSE Committee on FINANCE.

### 17. HI H 1525



**Title:** Prospective Review

Specifies procedural, disclosure, notice, and other requirements for prospective reviews

**Summary:** required by health carriers or utilization review organizations prior to certification of coverage for health care services.

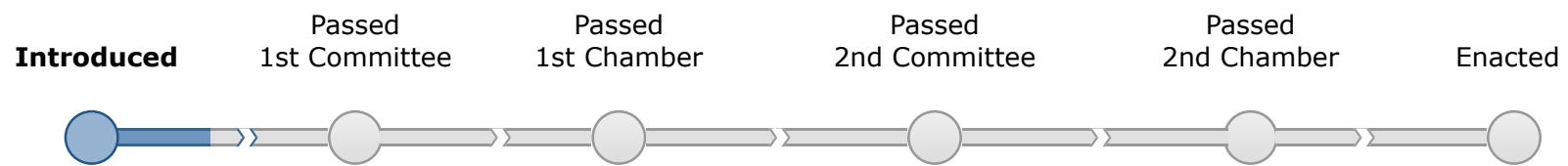
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned

**Introduced:** 01/25/2017

**Author:** McKelvey (D)

**Status:** 02/07/2018 In Committee: Measure Deferred.

## 18. HI H 2644



**Title:** Pharmacy Benefit Managers

**Summary:** Establishes requirements for pharmacy benefit managers and maximum allowable cost, including the ability of pharmacies to receive comprehensive maximum allowable cost lists and bring complaints, within the purview of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Rather than the Department of Health; clarifies the available penalties for violations of maximum allowable cost requirements.

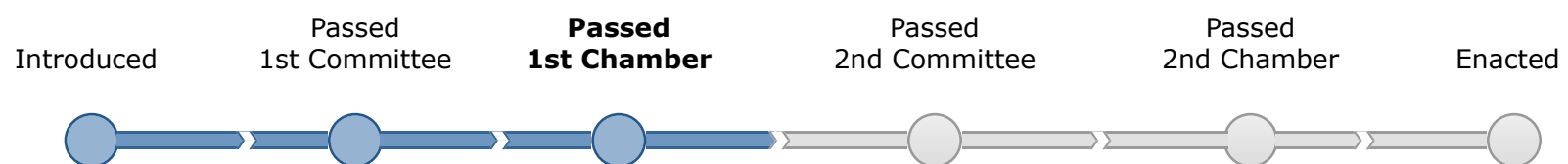
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned

**Introduced:** 01/24/2018

**Author:** Takumi (D)

**Status:** 01/29/2018 To HOUSE Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.  
01/29/2018 Subsequent referral set for: HOUSE Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND COMMERCE.  
01/29/2018 Subsequent referral set for: HOUSE Committee on FINANCE.

## 19. HI S 823



**State ID** SD2

**Title:** Naturopathic Physicians

**Summary:** Requires insurers, mutual benefit societies, fraternal benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for health care services provided by a naturopathic physician.

**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned

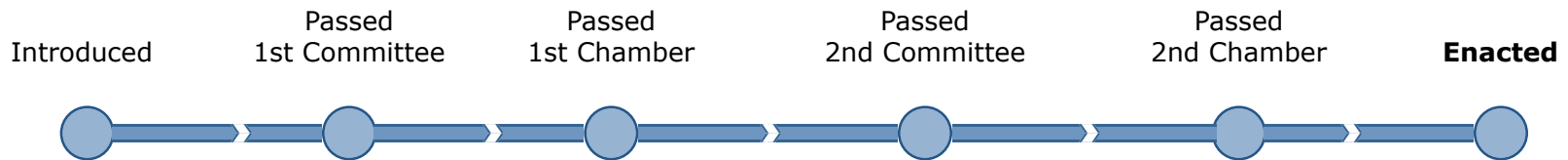
**Introduced:** 01/20/2017

**Author:** Ruderman (D)

**Status:** 03/09/2017 To HOUSE Committee on INTRASTATE COMMERCE.  
03/09/2017 Subsequent referral set for: HOUSE Committee on CONSUMER PROTECTION AND COMMERCE.



## Iowa

20. **IA H 233**

**Title:** Step Therapy Protocols

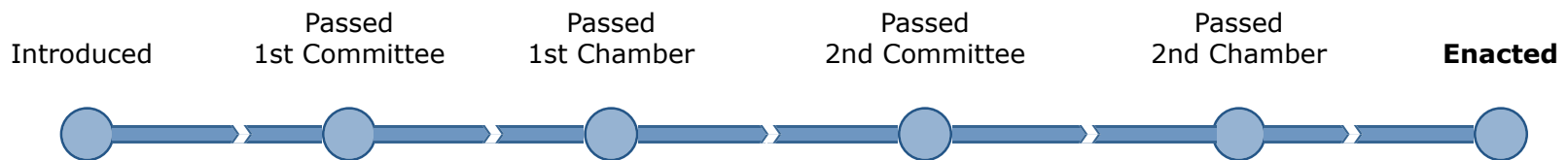
**Summary:** Relates to the use of step therapy protocols for prescription drugs by health carriers, health benefit plans, and utilization review organizations.

**Disposition:** Enacted

**Introduced:** 02/06/2017

**Author:** House Human Resources Committee

**Status:** 03/01/2018 Chapter No. 124

21. **IA H 305**

**Title:** Prescribing of Biological Products

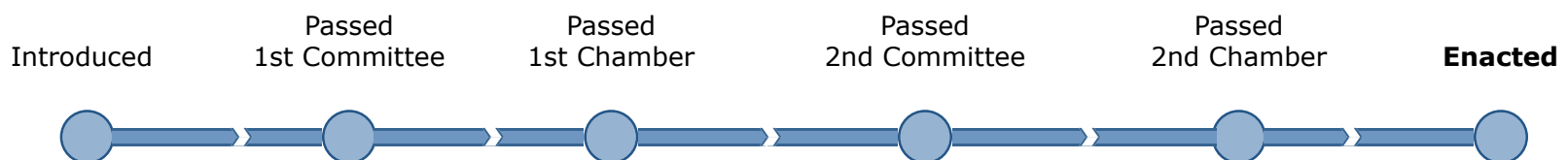
**Summary:** Relates to the prescribing of biological products; makes penalties applicable.

**Disposition:** Enacted

**Introduced:** 02/14/2017

**Author:** House Human Resources Committee

**Status:** 03/01/2018 Chapter No. 5

22. **IA S 51**

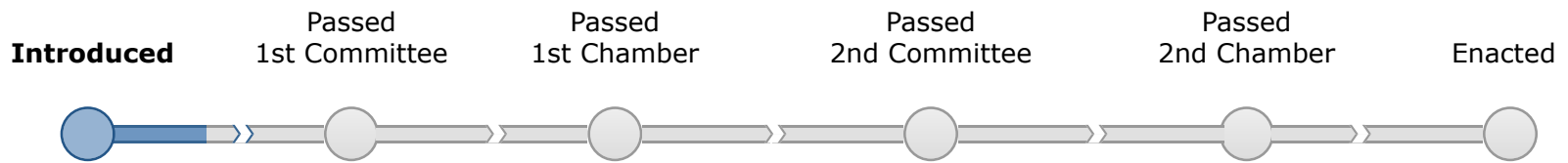
**Title:** Testing of Newborns

**Summary:** Relates to a cytomegalovirus public health initiative and the testing of newborns for congenital cytomegalovirus; requires the center for congenital and inherited disorders to collaborate with state and local health agencies and other public and private organizations to develop and publish or approve and publish informational materials to educate and raise awareness of cytomegalovirus and congenital cytomegalovirus among women who may

become pregnant, expectant parents, parents of infants.

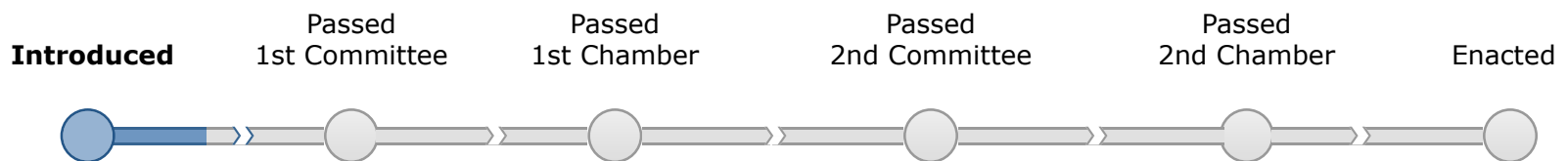
**NORD:** NORD supports this legislation  
**Disposition:** Enacted  
**Introduced:** 01/11/2017  
**Author:** Zaun (R)  
**Status:** 03/01/2018 Chapter No. 77

## 23. IA SSB 1072



**Title:** Step Therapy Protocols  
**Summary:** Relates to the use of step therapy protocols for prescription drugs by health carriers, health benefit plans, and utilization review organizations; including applicability provisions.  
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 02/08/2017  
**Author:** Senate Human Resources Committee  
**Status:** 03/03/2017 In SENATE. Becomes SENATE File 436.

## 24. IA SSB 3004



**Title:** Copayment Structure  
**Summary:** Relates to a no-deductible copayment structure for an entire prescription drug benefit; relates to all formulary tiers in a specified percentage of individual, group, and small group insurance contracts, policies, and plans offered in the state by health carriers.  
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 01/10/2018  
**Author:** Senate Human Resources Committee  
**Status:** 01/22/2018 In SENATE Committee on HUMAN RESOURCES: Subcommittee assignments: Green, Chair; Garrett and Jochum.

## Illinois

## 25. IL H 311

Passed Passed Passed Passed

Introduced 1st Committee 1st Chamber 2nd Committee 2nd Chamber **Enacted**



**Title:** Network Adequacy and Transparency

**Summary:** Creates the Network Adequacy and Transparency Act; provides that administrators and insurers, prior to going to market, must file for review and approval a description of services to be offered through a network plan, with certain criteria included in the description; provides that the network plan shall demonstrate a minimum ratio of full-time equivalent providers to plan beneficiaries and maximum travel and distance standards; relates to telemedicine, telehealth, or mobile care services.

**NORD:** NORD supports this legislation. Actions: Submitted written testimony

**Disposition:** Enacted

**Introduced:** 01/11/2017

**Sponsor:** Harris G (D)

**Status:** 09/15/2017 Signed by GOVERNOR.  
09/15/2017 Public Act No. 502

## 26. IL H 677

Introduced Passed 1st Committee Passed 1st Chamber Passed 2nd Committee Passed 2nd Chamber Enacted



**Title:** Home Birth Safety

**Summary:** Creates the Home Birth Safety Act; provides for the licensure of midwives by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation and for certain limitations on the activities of licensed midwives; creates the Midwifery Board; sets forth provisions concerning application, qualifications, grounds for disciplinary action, and administrative procedures; amends the Regulatory Sunset Act to set a repeal date for the new Act.

**Disposition:** Pending

**Introduced:** 01/25/2017

**Sponsor:** Gabel (D)

**Status:** 03/31/2017 Rereferred to HOUSE Committee on RULES.  
03/31/2017 Rule 19(a) / House Committee Amendment No. 1 Re-referred to RULES Committee.  
03/31/2017 Rule 19(a) / House Committee Amendment No. 2 Re-referred to RULES Committee.

## 27. IL H 4096

Introduced Passed 1st Committee Passed 1st Chamber **Passed 2nd Committee** Passed 2nd Chamber Enacted



**Title:** Medicaid Managed Care Organizations Preferred Drug List

**Summary:** Amends the Medical Assistance Article of the Public Aid Code; provides that the Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall require each Medicaid Managed Care Organization to list as preferred on the Medicaid Managed Care Organization's preferred drug list every pharmaceutical that is listed as preferred on the Department's preferred drug list; provides that the Department shall not prohibit a Medicaid Managed Care Organization from covering certain pharmaceuticals.

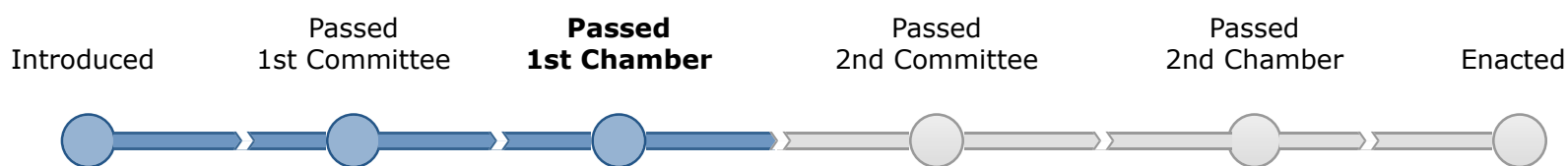
**Disposition:** Pending

**Introduced:** 09/15/2017

**Sponsor:** Harris G (D)

**Status:** 05/16/2018 In SENATE. Read second time.  
05/16/2018 In SENATE. Placed on Calendar Order Third Reading.

## 28. IL H 4146



**Title:** Managed Care Reform and Patient Rights Act

**Summary:** Amends the Managed Care Reform and Patient Rights Act; provides that the health care plan shall not modify an enrollee's coverage of a drug during the plan year if the drug has been previously approved for coverage by the plan for a medical condition, the plan's prescribing provider continues to prescribe the drug for the medical condition, and the patient continues to be an enrollee of the health care plan in provisions concerning transition of services.

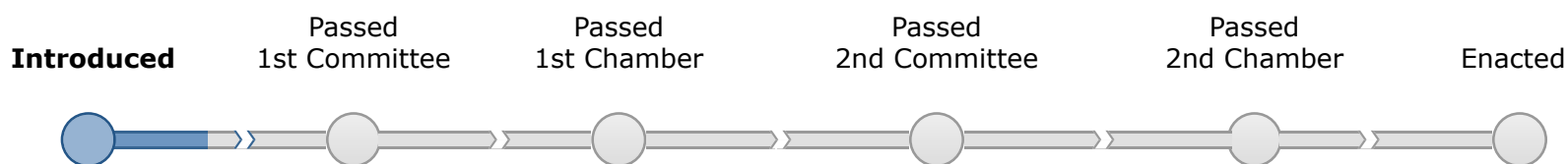
**Disposition:** Pending

**Introduced:** 11/02/2017

**Sponsor:** Fine (D)

**Status:** 05/21/2018 From SENATE Committee on ASSIGNMENTS: Referred to SENATE Committee on Special Committee on Oversight of Medicaid Managed Care Amendment No. 1.

## 29. IL H 4782



**Title:** Amino Acid-based Elemental Formulas Coverage

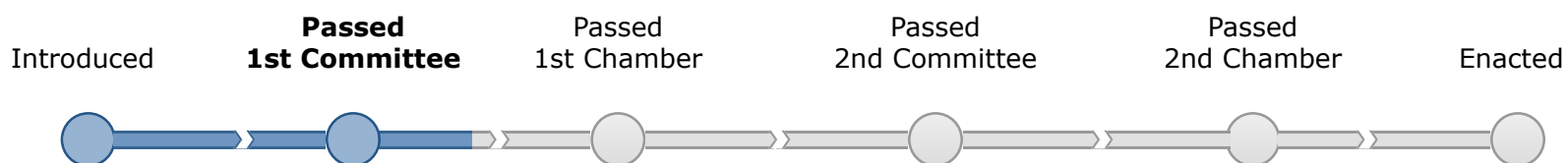
**Summary:** Amends the Insurance Code and the Public Aid Code; provides, in provisions concerning coverage for amino acid-based elemental formulas, coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of milk protein allergies and intolerances when the prescribing physician has issued a written order stating that the amino acid-based elemental formula is medically necessary.

**Disposition:** Pending

**Introduced:** 02/13/2018

**Sponsor:** Burke K (D)

### 30. IL S 622



**Title:** Medical Assistance

**Summary:** Amends the Medical Assistance Article of the Public Aid Code; in a provision requiring the Department of Healthcare and Family Services to determine the quantity and quality of medical services provided under the State's Medical Assistance program, provides that such services may include dental and periodontal prevention and treatment services for residents of long term care facilities and adults diagnosed with a developmental disability.

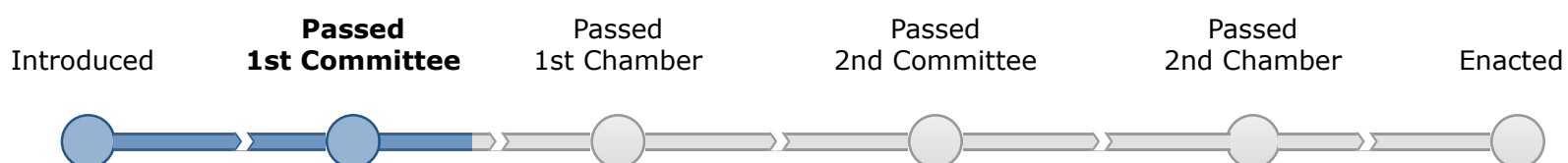
**Disposition:** Pending

**Introduced:** 01/24/2017

**Sponsor:** Aquino (D)

**Status:** 08/04/2017 Rule 3-9(b) / Re-referred to ASSIGNMENTS Committee.  
08/04/2017 Rule 3-9(b) / Senate Committee Amendment No. 3 Re-referred to ASSIGNMENTS Committee.

### 31. IL S 2839



**Title:** Medical Assistance Program Reimbursements

**Summary:** Amends the Medical Assistance Article of the Public Aid Code; provides that notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, the Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall not adopt any rule or enter into any contract that prohibits reimbursement under the medical assistance program to an eligible clinic for a dental encounter for services performed by an individual licensed to practice dentistry or dental hygiene under the Dental Practice Act.

**Disposition:** Pending

**Introduced:** 02/13/2018

**Sponsor:** Syverson (R)

**Status:** 04/27/2018 Rule 3-9(a) / Re-referred to ASSIGNMENTS Committee.

## Indiana

### 32. IN H 1143





**Title:** Prior Authorization for Health Care Services

**Summary:** Specifies requirements for prior authorization of health plan coverage and claim payment, including provisions requiring electronic transmission of prior authorization requests and responses or, in certain circumstances, use of a standard prior authorization form established by the department of insurance.

**Disposition:** Enacted

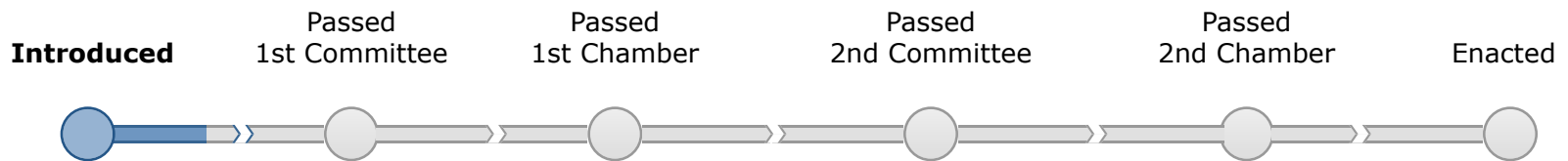
**Introduced:** 01/08/2018

**Author:** Schaibley (R)

**Status:** 03/14/2018 Signed by GOVERNOR.  
03/14/2018 Public Law No. 77-2018

## Kansas

### 33. **KS S 304**



**Title:** Step Therapy Protocols and Health Insurance Restriction

**Summary:** Establishes restrictions on health insurance use of step therapy protocols.

**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned

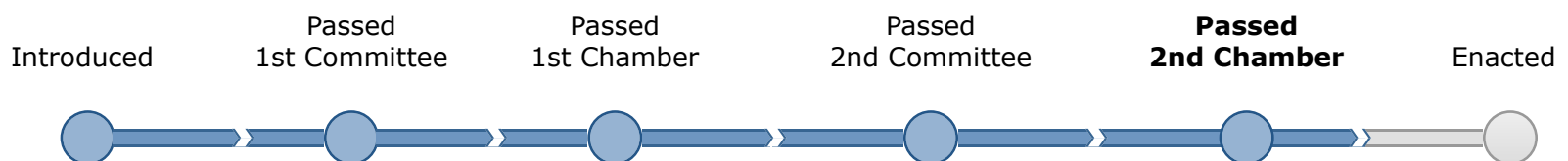
**Introduced:** 01/22/2018

**Author:** Senate Public Health and Welfare Committee

**Status:** 02/07/2018 Senate Hearing: Thursday, February 15, 2018, 09:30 AM Room 118-N.

## Kentucky

### 34. **KY S 7**



**Title:** Rare Disease Advisory Council

**Summary:** Establishes the Rare Disease Advisory Council; lists members to be appointed by the Governor; establishes a Rare Disease Trust Fund to be administered by the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to finance the operation of the Council and support rare disease research and treatment; provides a sunset date for the Council.

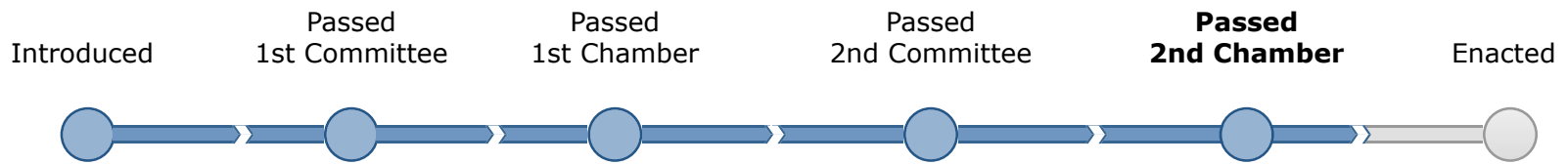
**Disposition:** Vetoed

**Introduced:** 01/02/2018

**Sponsor:** Adams J (R)  
**Status:** 04/02/2018 Vetoed by GOVERNOR.

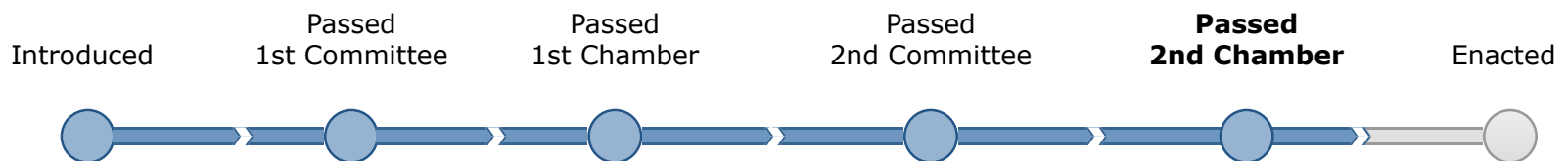
## Louisiana

### 35. LA H 579



**Title:** Pharmacists  
**Summary:** Relates to the authorization of marijuana for therapeutic use; provides for debilitating medical conditions; provides for definitions; provides for related matters.  
**Disposition:** To Governor  
**Introduced:** 03/12/2018  
**Author:** James (D)  
**Status:** 05/18/2018 Ordered Enrolled.

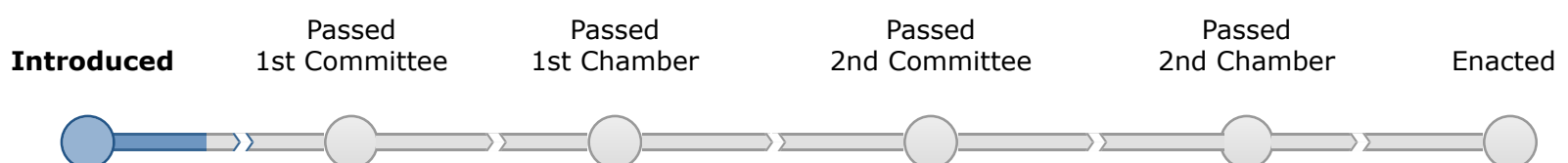
### 36. LA H 627



**Title:** Medical Marijuana  
**Summary:** Authorizes the recommendation of medical marijuana for treating certain health conditions associated with autism spectrum disorder; prohibits a physician from recommending or prescribing medical marijuana for treating autism for patients under a certain age, with exception; provides for research on marijuana for therapeutic use.  
**Disposition:** To Governor  
**Introduced:** 03/12/2018  
**Author:** Lyons (D)  
**Status:** 05/18/2018 \*\*\*\*\*To GOVERNOR.

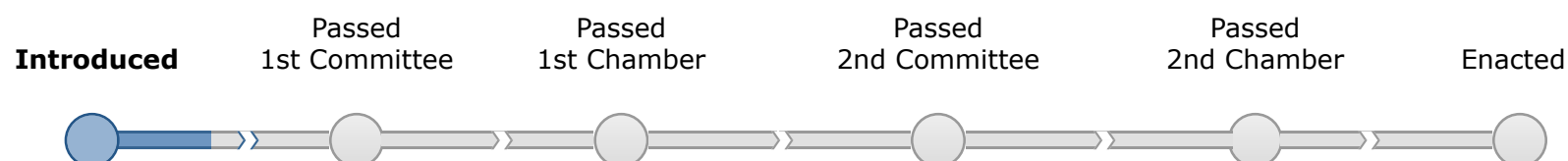
## Massachusetts

### 37. MA H 491



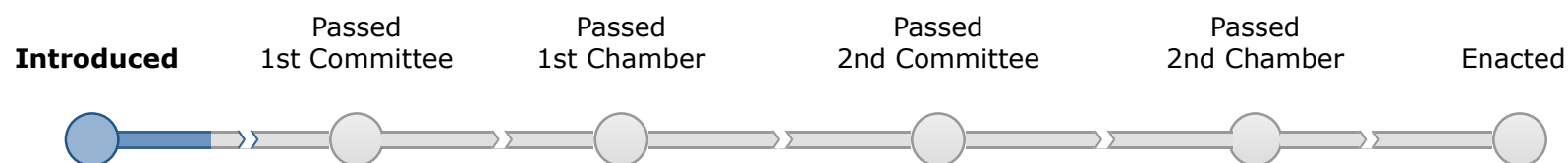
**DOCKET** 1498  
**Title:** Transparency and Access in Healthcare  
**Summary:** Relates to transparency and access in healthcare.  
**NORD:** NORD supports. Actions: Submitted written testimony and constituent messages. In-person legislative visits during Rare Disease Day.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Introduced:** 02/23/2017  
**Author:** Benson (D)  
**Status:** 12/14/2017 In JOINT Committee on FINANCIAL SERVICES: Heard. Eligible for Executive Session.

## 38. MA H 492



**DOCKET** 1503  
**Title:** Management of Medications  
**Summary:** Relates to management of medications.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Introduced:** 02/23/2017  
**Author:** Benson (D)  
**Status:** 12/14/2017 In JOINT Committee on FINANCIAL SERVICES: Heard. Eligible for Executive Session.

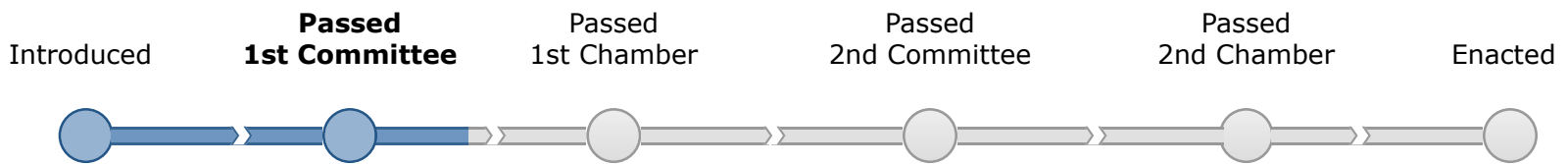
## 39. MA H 1148



**DOCKET** 948  
**Title:** Treatment of Epilepsy and Seizure Disorders  
**Summary:** Relates to the treatment of epilepsy and seizure disorders.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Introduced:** 01/23/2017  
**Author:** Day (D)  
**Status:** 03/01/2018 In JOINT Committee on HEALTH CARE FINANCING: Extension Order Filed. Extended until 4/25/2018.



## 40. MA H 1171



**DOCKET** 1591

**Title:** Rare Disease Advisory Council

**Summary:** Establishes a rare disease advisory council.

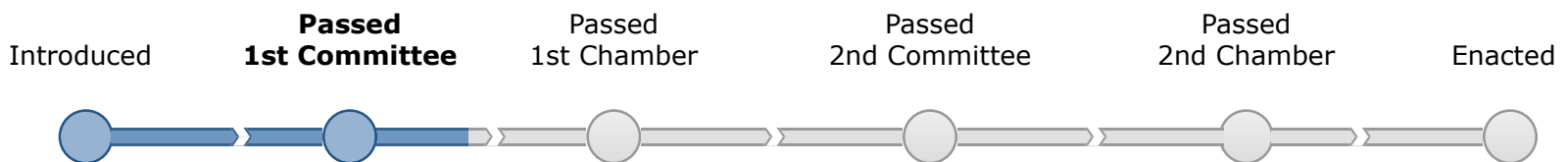
**Disposition:** Pending

**Introduced:** 01/23/2017

**Author:** Heroux (D)

**Status:** 04/02/2018 From JOINT Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH: Ought to pass.  
04/02/2018 To JOINT Committee on HEALTH CARE FINANCING.

## 41. MA H 1650



**DOCKET** 330

**Title:** Rare Disease Day Proclamation

**Summary:** Relates to the annual issuance of a proclamation by the Governor designating the last day of February as Rare Disease Day.

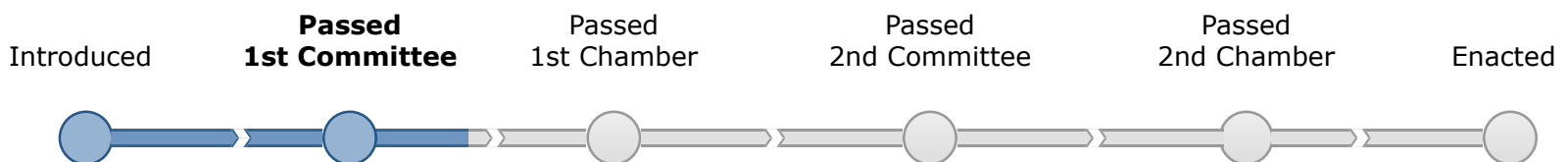
**Disposition:** Pending

**Introduced:** 02/24/2017

**Author:** Ashe (D)

**Status:** 04/09/2018 To HOUSE Committee on STEERING, POLICY AND SCHEDULING.

## 42. MA S 516



**DOCKET** 1341

**Title:** Prescription Drug Coverage

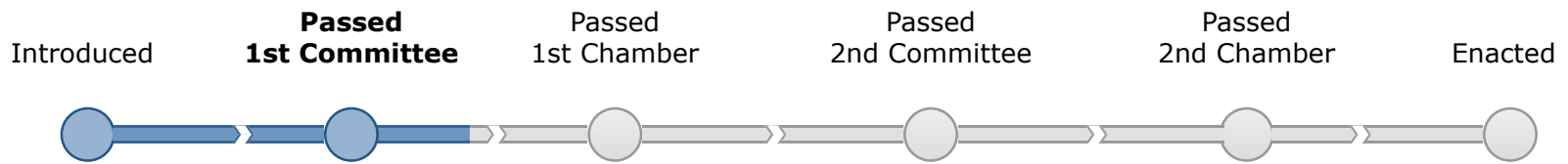
**Summary:** Relates to out-of-pocket expenses for prescription drug coverage.

**NORD:** NORD supports this legislation. Actions: submitted written testimony.

**Disposition:** Pending

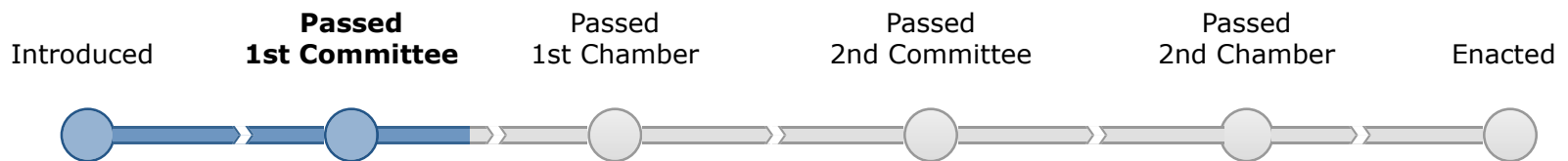
**Introduced:** 02/22/2017  
**Author:** DiDomenico (D)  
**Status:** 04/30/2018 From JOINT Committee on FINANCIAL SERVICES: Accompanied Study Order S 2496.

### 43. MA S 542



**DOCKET** 1029  
**Title:** Prescription Drug Coverage Out of Pocket Expenses  
**Summary:** Makes out-of-pocket expenses for prescription drug coverage more affordable.  
**NORD:** NORD supports this legislation. Actions: Submitted written testimony.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Introduced:** 02/22/2017  
**Author:** Lesser (D)  
**Status:** 04/30/2018 From JOINT Committee on FINANCIAL SERVICES: Accompanied Study Order S 2496.

### 44. MA S 551



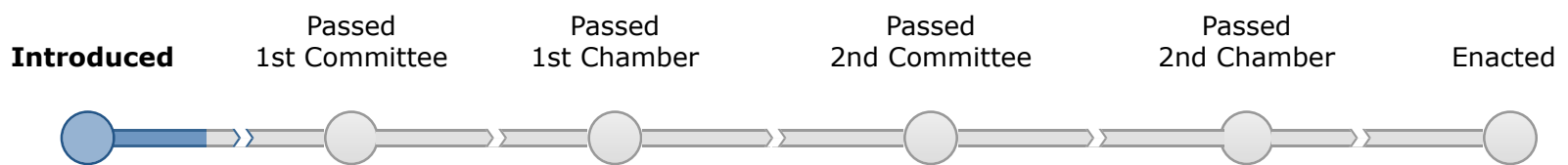
**DOCKET** 376  
**Title:** Improved Medication Management  
**Summary:** Reduces health care costs through improved medication management.  
**NORD:** NORD supports. Actions: Submitted written testimony and constituent messages. In-person legislative visits during Rare Disease Day.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Introduced:** 02/22/2017  
**Author:** L'Italien (D)  
**Status:** 04/30/2018 From JOINT Committee on FINANCIAL SERVICES: Accompanied Study Order S 2496.

### 45. MA S 602



**DOCKET** 515  
**Title:** Epilepsy and Seizure Treatment  
**Summary:** Relates to the treatment of epilepsy and seizure disorders.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Introduced:** 02/22/2017  
**Author:** Boncore (D)  
**Status:** 07/11/2017 In JOINT Committee on HEALTH CARE FINANCING: Heard. Eligible for Executive Session.

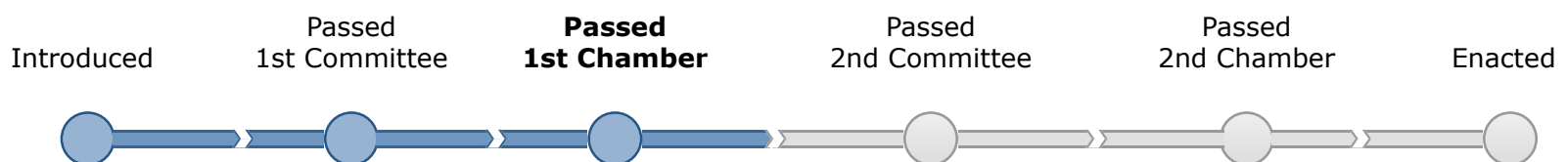
46. **MA S 2120**



**Title:** Proposed Budget Amendment 519  
**Summary:** Contains the text of proposed amendment number 519 to the Senate bill numbered 3 which makes appropriations for the fiscal year 2018 for the maintenance of the departments, boards, commissions, institutions and certain activities of the Commonwealth, for interest, sinking fund and serial bond requirements and for certain permanent improvements.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Introduced:** 07/17/2017  
**Author:** L'Italien (D)  
**Status:** 07/17/2017 INTRODUCED.  
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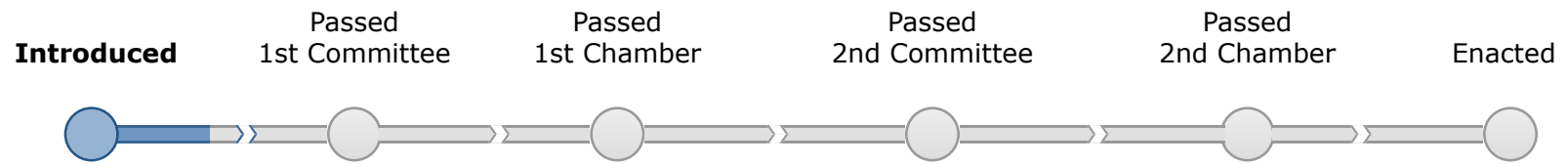
47. **ME S 485**



**LD** 1407  
**Title:** Prescription Drug Step Therapy  
**Summary:** Requires health insurers to establish a process for prescription drug step therapy override exception determinations.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Introduced:** 04/07/2017  
**Author:** Rosen K (R)

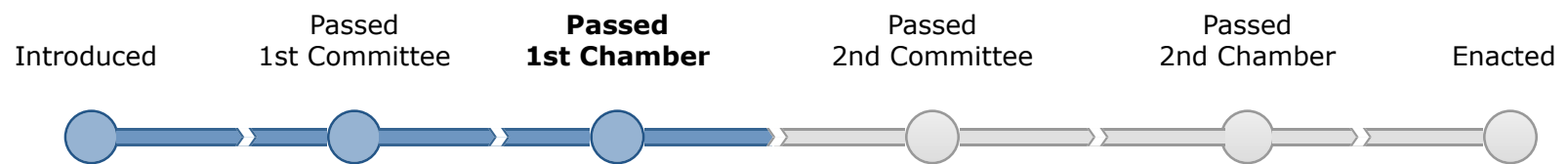
## Michigan

### 48. MI S 287



**Title:** Pharmacy Benefit Manager  
**Summary:** Creates new act on pharmacy benefit managers.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Introduced:** 03/30/2017  
**Sponsor:** Schuitmaker (R)  
**Status:** 03/30/2017 INTRODUCED.  
03/30/2017 To SENATE Committee on INSURANCE.

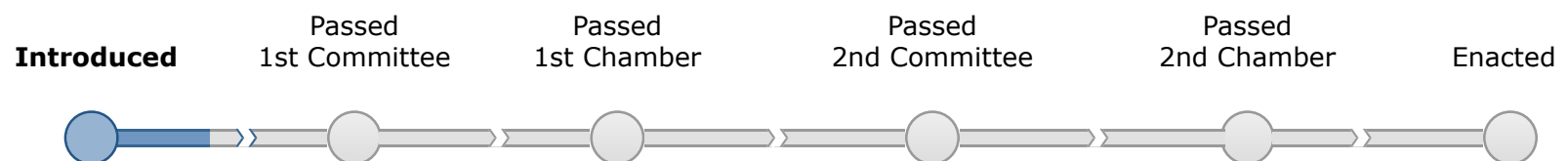
### 49. MI S 897



**Title:** Medicaid Work Requirement  
**Summary:** Enacts a work requirement for Medicaid recipients.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Introduced:** 03/08/2018  
**Sponsor:** Shirkey (R)  
**Status:** 04/19/2018 To HOUSE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

## Minnesota

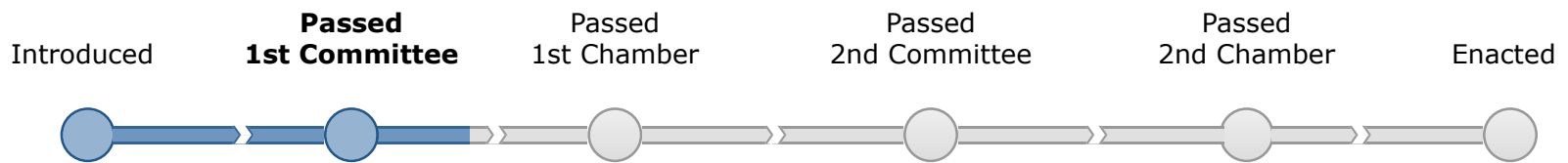
### 50. MN H 2342



**Title:** Health Insurance  
**Summary:** Relates to health insurance; regulates the use of step therapy for the coverage of prescription drugs.

**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 03/13/2017  
**Author:** Hamilton (R)  
**Status:** 03/13/2017 INTRODUCED.  
 03/13/2017 To HOUSE Committee on COMMERCE AND REGULATORY REFORM.

## 51. MN H 2574



**Title:** Health Advisory Council  
**Summary:** Relates to health; requesting establishment of an advisory council on rare diseases to provide advice on issues related to rare diseases.

**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 04/03/2017  
**Author:** Dean (R)  
**Status:** 03/29/2018 From HOUSE Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION & CAREER READINESS POLICY AND FINANCE: Do pass as amended.  
 03/29/2018 Rereferred to HOUSE Committee on HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FINANCE.

## 52. MN H 3138



**Title:** Human Services  
**Summary:** Relates to state government finance; modifies provisions governing the Department of Health; provides for community supports and continuing care, protections for older adults and vulnerable adults, children and families, health licensing boards, and MNSure; establishes the Vulnerable Adult Maltreatment Prevention and Accountability Act; modifies requirements for data sharing and data classifications; establishes working groups.

**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 02/26/2018  
**Author:** Dean (R)  
**Status:** 05/19/2018 Withdrawn from SENATE Committee on FINANCE.  
 05/19/2018 In SENATE. Second Reading.

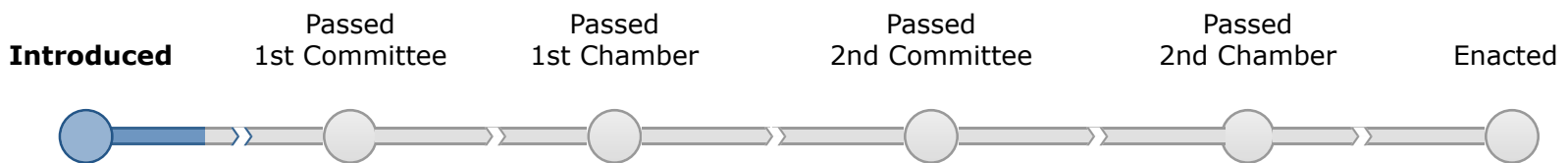
## 53. MN H 3196





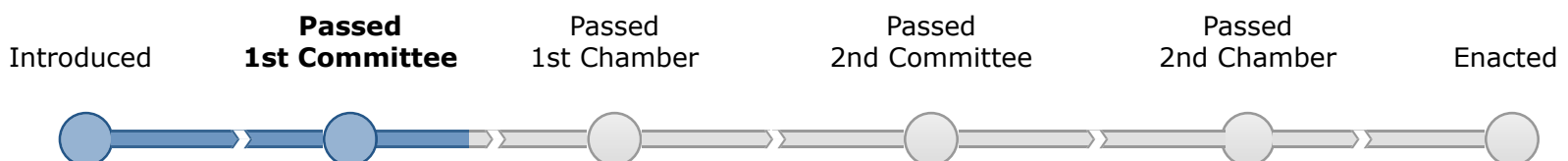
**Title:** Health Insurance  
**Summary:** Relates to health insurance; establishes a step therapy protocol and override for prescription drug coverage; provides for denials of an override request.  
**Disposition:** Enacted  
**Introduced:** 03/01/2018  
**Author:** Fenton (R)  
**Status:** 05/19/2018 Signed by GOVERNOR.  
05/19/2018 Filed with Secretary of State. Chapter No. 162

## 54. MN S 1023



**Title:** Emergency Prescription Medications  
**Summary:** Relates to health; authorizes the Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board to adopt rules authorizing certified emergency medical services personnel to assist with administering certain emergency prescription medications and participate in care coordination; requires rulemaking.  
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 02/15/2017  
**Author:** Frentz (DFL)  
**Status:** 02/15/2017 INTRODUCED.  
02/15/2017 To SENATE Committee on HEALTH and HUMAN SERVICES FINANCE and POLICY.

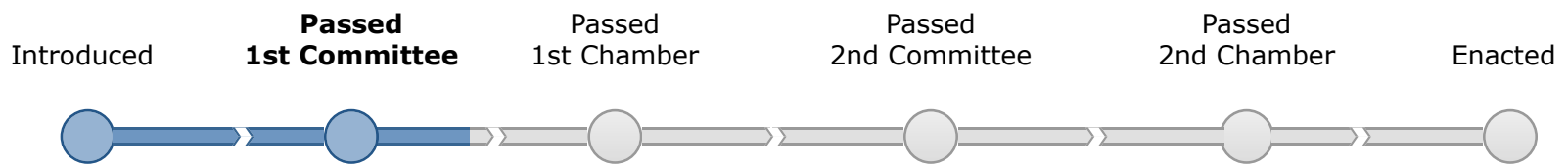
## 55. MN S 2505



**Title:** Human Services  
**Summary:** Relates to human services; modifies the Department of Human Services administrative funds transfers; transfers money; establishes a Minnesota Health Policy Commission; repeals preferred incontinence program in medical assistance; increases reimbursement rates for doula services; modifies telemedicine service limits; modifies EPSDT screening payment; authorizes the Board of Pharmacy to impose a fee from a prescriber or pharmacist accessing prescription monitoring data through a service offered by the board.  
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 02/20/2018

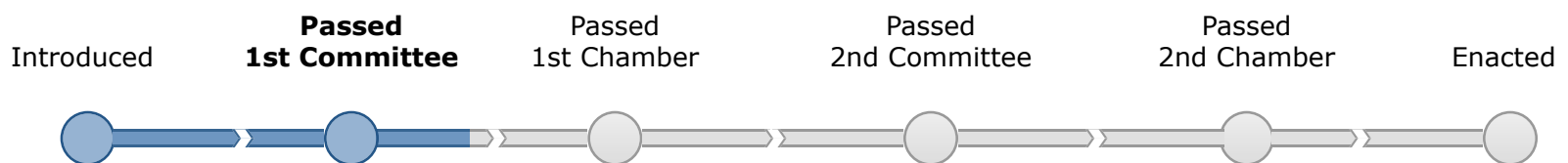
**Author:** Benson Mic (R)  
**Status:** 04/23/2018 From SENATE Committee on HEALTH and HUMAN SERVICES FINANCE and POLICY: Do pass as amended.  
04/23/2018 Rereferred to SENATE Committee on FINANCE.

## 56. MN S 2786



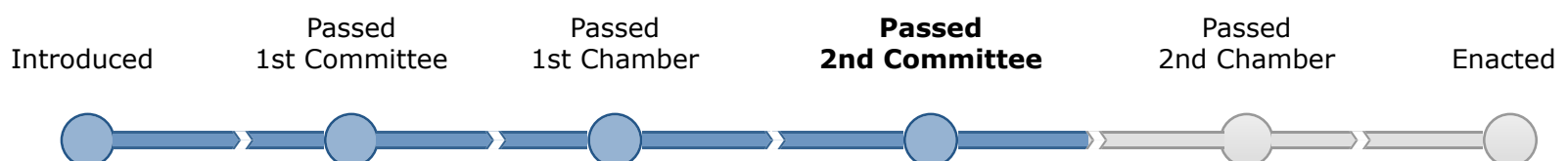
**Title:** Health  
**Summary:** Relates to health; establishing an advisory council on rare diseases to advise the commissioner of health on issues related to rare diseases.  
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 03/01/2018  
**Author:** Hayden (DFL)  
**Status:** 03/29/2018 From SENATE Committee on STATE GOVERNMENT FINANCE and POLICY and ELECTIONS: Do pass.  
03/29/2018 Rereferred to SENATE Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION FINANCE and POLICY.

## 57. MN S 2897



**Title:** Health Insurance  
**Summary:** Relates to health insurance; establishes a step therapy protocol and override for prescription drug coverage.  
**Disposition:** Failed  
**Introduced:** 03/01/2018  
**Author:** Utke (R)  
**Status:** 05/09/2018 Indefinitely postponed. See H. B. 3196.

## 58. MN S 3415



**Title:** Allied Health Professions Licensing Renewal

**Summary:** Relates to health licensing; converts allied health professions to a birth month renewal cycle; modifies reciprocity and disclosure requirements for certain health-related professions; requires the creation of guidelines for patient-assisted medication administration.

**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned

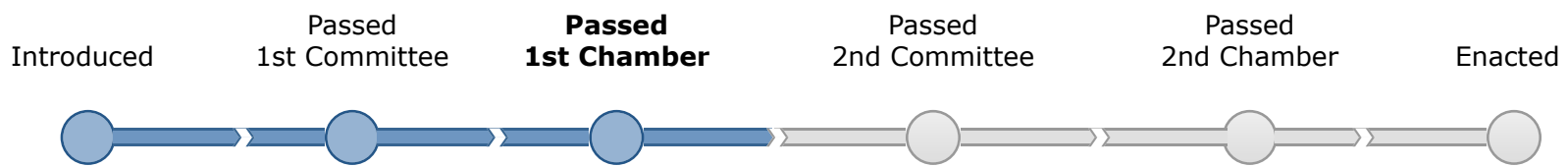
**Introduced:** 03/15/2018

**Author:** Johnson (R)

**Status:** 05/09/2018 Substituted for HOUSE Bill 3825.  
05/09/2018 In HOUSE. Second Reading.

## Missouri

### 59. MO H 2407



**Title:** Council on Rare Diseases and Personalized Medicine

**Summary:** Establishes the Advisory Council on Rare Diseases and Personalized Medicine.

**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned

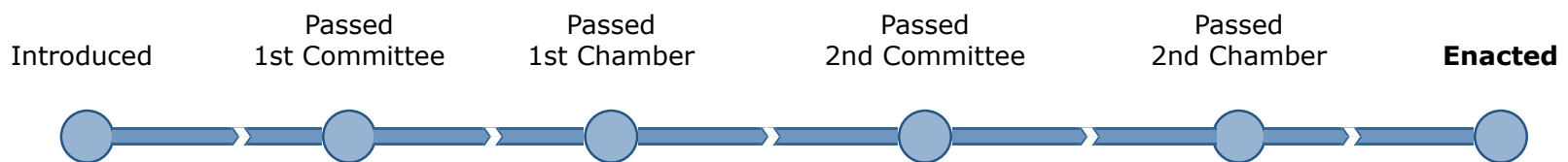
**Introduced:** 02/07/2018

**Sponsor:** Ruth (R)

**Status:** 05/08/2018 To SENATE Committee on HEALTH AND PENSIONS.

## Mississippi

### 60. MS S 2463



**Title:** Rare Disease Advisory Council

**Summary:** Establishes a State rare disease advisory council within the State Department of Health to educate medical professionals, governmental agencies and the public about rare diseases and to fund research in the development of treatments for rare diseases; provides for the membership of the council and prescribe its duties and responsibilities; provides that the council shall apply for and expend grants from the federal government or private sources for funding the activities of the council.

**Disposition:** Enacted

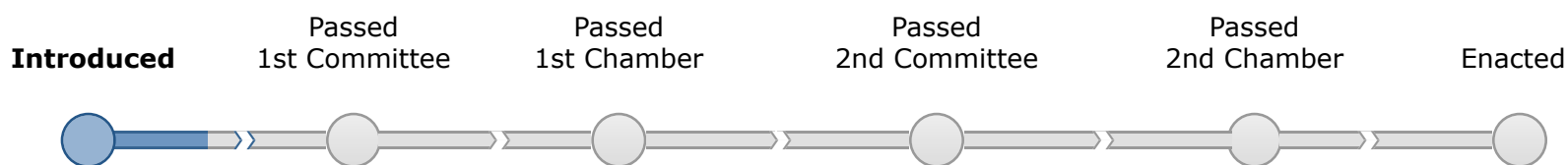
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**Status:** 03/19/2018 Signed by GOVERNOR.

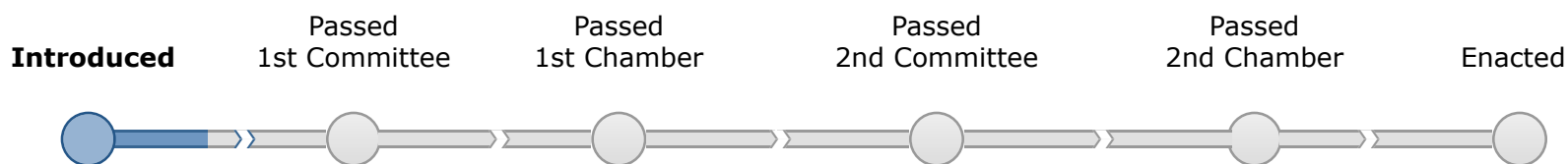


61. **NJ A 999**



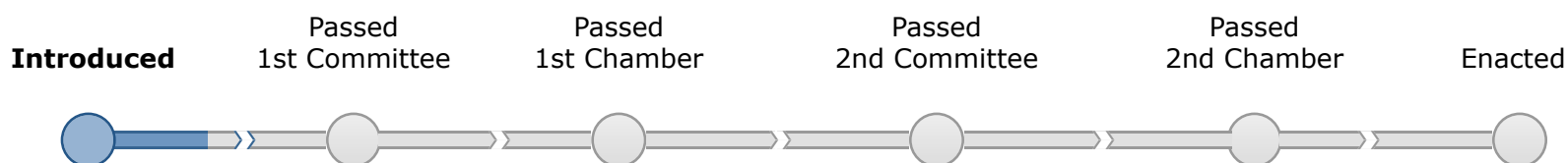
**Title:** Medication and Drug Pharmacy Practices  
**Summary:** Restricts certain practices by carriers and pharmacy benefits managers related to medications and drugs.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Introduced:** 01/09/2018  
**Sponsor:** Rooney (R)  
**Status:** 01/09/2018 FILED.  
 01/09/2018 INTRODUCED.  
 01/09/2018 To ASSEMBLY Committee on FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND INSURANCE.

62. **NJ A 3845**



**Title:** Prior Authorization Transparency  
**Summary:** Relates to the Ensuring Transparency in Prior Authorization Act.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Introduced:** 04/12/2018  
**Sponsor:** Pinkin (D)  
**Status:** 04/12/2018 INTRODUCED.  
 04/12/2018 To ASSEMBLY Committee on HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES.

63. **NM H 42**

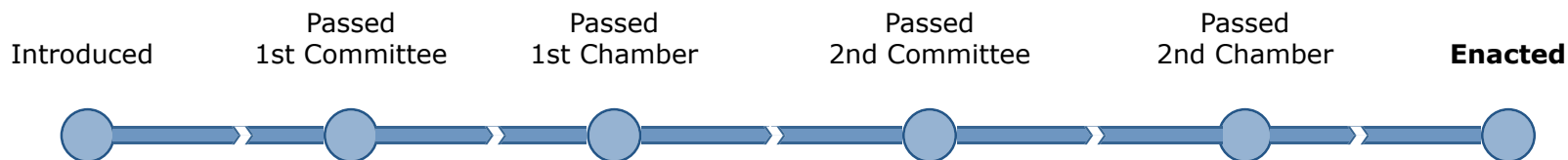


**Title:** Guidelines for Step Therapy for Drug Coverage  
**Summary:** Relates to health coverage; enacts new sections of the health care purchases act, the public assistance act, the New Mexico insurance code, the health maintenance organization law and the nonprofit health care plan law to establish guidelines relating to step therapy for

prescription drug coverage.

**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 01/16/2018  
**Author:** Thomson (D)  
**Status:** 01/16/2018 INTRODUCED.  
01/16/2018 To HOUSE Committee on RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS.

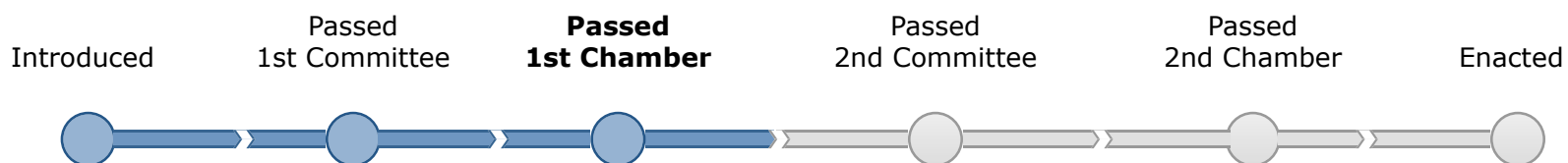
## 64. NM S 11



**Title:** Step Therapy for Drug Coverage  
**Summary:** Relates to health coverage; amends the Health Care Purchases Act, the Public Assistance Act, the Insurance Code, the Health Maintenance Organization Law, and the Nonprofit Health Care Plan Law; establishes guidelines relating to step therapy for prescription drug coverage.  
**Disposition:** Enacted  
**Introduced:** 01/16/2018  
**Author:** Kernan (R)  
**Status:** 02/28/2018 Signed by GOVERNOR.  
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## New York

## 65. NY A 2317



**Title:** Prescription Drug Formulary Changes  
**Summary:** Amends the Insurance Law and the Public Health Law; provides for prescription drug formulary changes during a contract year.  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Introduced:** 01/17/2017  
**Sponsor:** Peoples-Stokes (D)  
**Status:** 04/30/2018 To SENATE Committee on INSURANCE.

## 66. NY S 5022





**Title:** Prescription Drug Formulary Changes

**Summary:** Relates to prescription drug formulary changes during a contract year; prohibits a health care plan from removing a prescription drug from certain formularies and from adding utilization management restrictions to a formulary drug; moves a prescription drug to a tier with a larger deductible, copayment, or coinsurance if the formulary includes two or more tiers of benefits providing for different deductibles, copayments or coinsurance applicable to the prescription drugs in each tier.

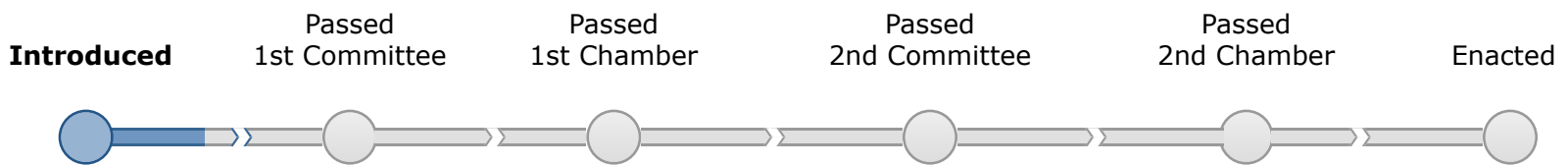
**Disposition:** Pending

**Introduced:** 03/06/2017

**Sponsor:** Serino (R)

**Status:** 04/17/2018 Amended in SENATE Committee on INSURANCE.

67. **NY S 7826**



**Title:** Prescription Drug Coverage Requirement

**Summary:** Amends the Insurance Law; relates to requiring prescription drug coverage to include such supplements and vitamins, medical foods, and other medications as shall be deemed necessary by a physician to mitigate and/or treat the symptoms of mitochondrial disease.

**Disposition:** Pending

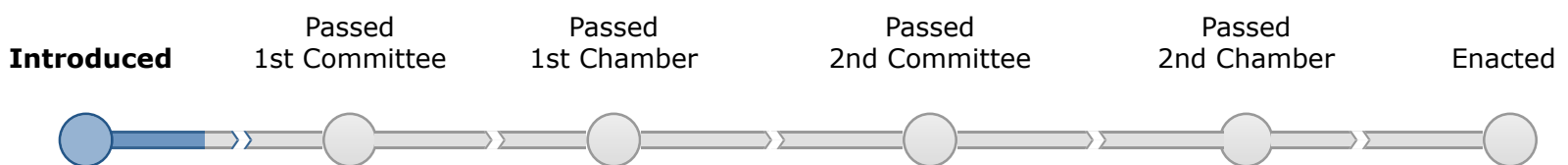
**Introduced:** 03/01/2018

**Sponsor:** Kennedy (D)

**Status:** 03/01/2018 INTRODUCED.  
03/01/2018 To SENATE Committee on INSURANCE.

**Oregon**

68. **OR H 4156**



**Title:** Health Benefit Plans

**Summary:** Prohibits carriers offering health benefit plans from making specified changes to prescription drug coverage during plan year.

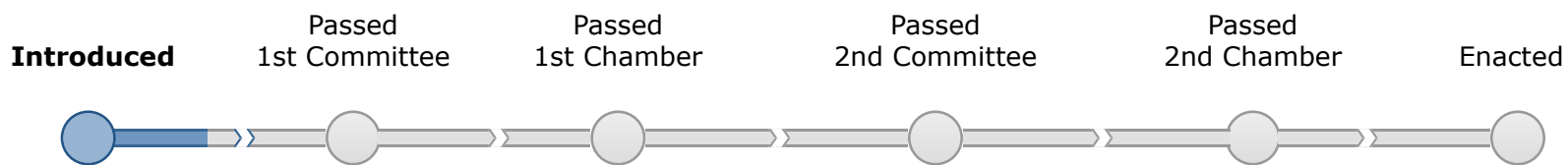
**Disposition:** Failed

**Introduced:** 02/05/2018

**Author:** Doherty (D)  
**Status:** 03/03/2018 In committee upon adjournment.

## Rhode Island

### 69. RI S 2532



**Title:** Prescription Drug Marketing

**Summary:** Regulates the marketing of prescription drug manufacturers using direct to consumer marketing schemes including coupons, discount cards and similar offers to disguise the true costs of high priced drugs as opposed to lower cost alternatives and making these discounts available to individuals without health insurance.

**Disposition:** Pending

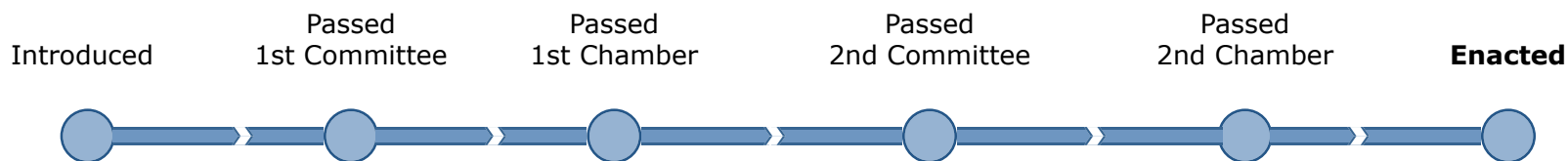
**Introduced:** 03/01/2018

**Author:** Miller (D)

**Status:** 05/18/2018 Scheduled for hearing and/or consideration 05/24/2018.

## South Dakota

### 70. SD S 75



**Title:** Biological Product Dispensation

**Summary:** Establishes certain provisions regarding the dispensing of biological products.

**Disposition:** Enacted

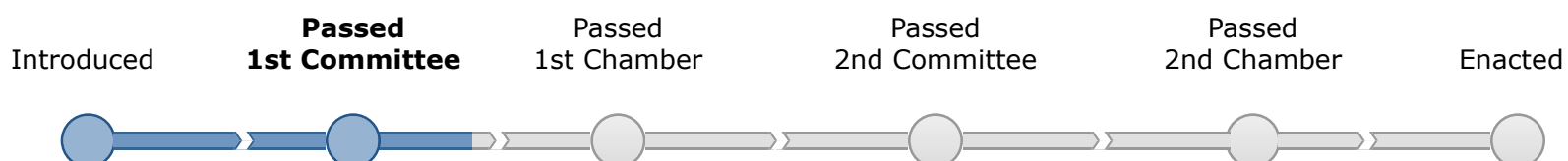
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**Status:** 05/16/2018 Session Law. Chapter No. 231

## Utah

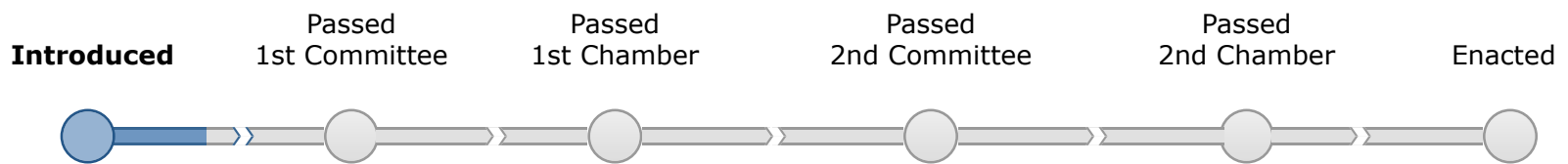
### 71. UT S 224



**Title:** Medical Treatment Prior Authorization  
**Summary:** Amends provisions of the Insurance Code relating to prior authorization and step therapy.  
**Disposition:** Failed  
**Introduced:** 02/23/2018  
**Author:** Vickers (R)  
**Status:** 03/08/2018 Enacting clause struck.

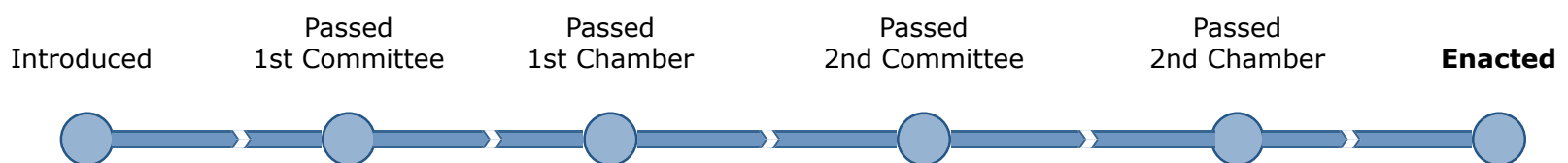
## Virginia

### 72. VA H 386



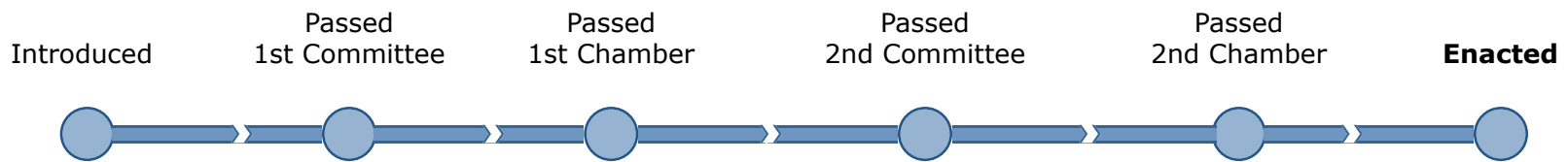
**Title:** Health Insurance  
**Summary:** Relates to health insurance; relates to step therapy protocols; requires carriers issuing health benefit plans to utilize certain clinical review criteria to establish step therapy protocols; provides that the measure establishes clinical review criteria used to establish such protocols and requires carriers to establish a process by which a patient or provider may seek a step therapy override exception determination.  
**Disposition:** Failed  
**Introduced:** 01/10/2018  
**Author:** Davis (R)  
**Status:** 02/13/2018 In HOUSE Committee on COMMERCE AND LABOR: Left in committee.

### 73. VA H 1174



**Title:** Newborn Screening  
**Summary:** Relates to newborn screening; relates to lysosomal storage disorders; clarifies that newborn screening tests performed on infants born shall include screening for Pompe disease and mucopolysaccharidosis type 1.  
**Disposition:** Enacted  
**Introduced:** 01/10/2018  
**Author:** Pillion (R)  
**Status:** 03/30/2018 Signed by GOVERNOR.  
 03/30/2018 Acts of Assembly. Chapter No. 562

## 74. VA H 1362



**Title:** Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services

**Summary:** Relates to the Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services; relates to availability of testing services; requires the Department of General Services to ensure that Division testing services relating to newborn screening are provided at all times to ensure that results of such screenings are available in a timely manner.

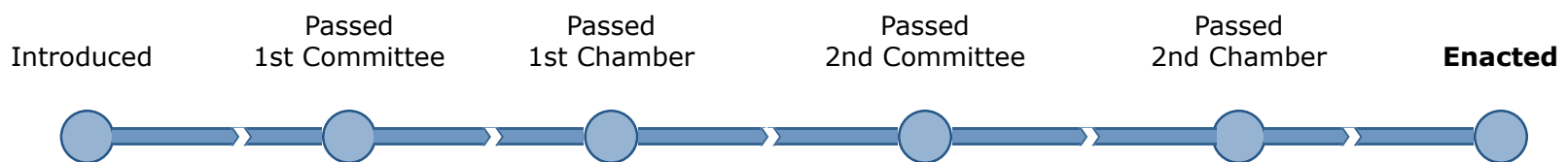
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**Introduced:** 01/11/2018

**Author:** Austin (R)

**Status:** 03/29/2018 Signed by GOVERNOR.  
03/29/2018 Acts of Assembly. Chapter No. 531

## 75. VA S 449



**Title:** Newborn Screening

**Summary:** Relates to newborn screening; directs the Board of Health to amend regulations governing newborn screening to include Pompe disease and mucopolysaccharidosis type 1.

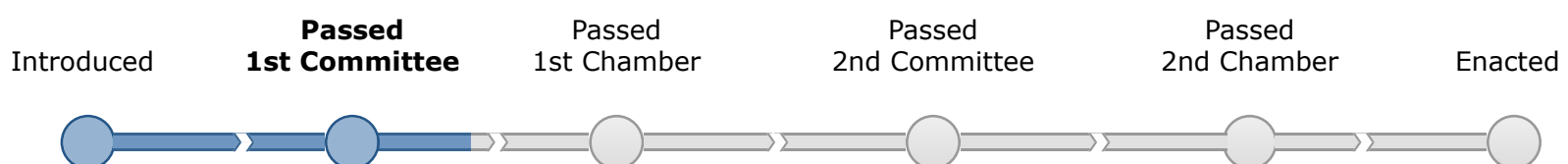
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**Introduced:** 01/10/2018

**Author:** Chafin (R)

**Status:** 03/30/2018 Signed by GOVERNOR.  
03/30/2018 Acts of Assembly. Chapter No. 563

## 76. VA S 574



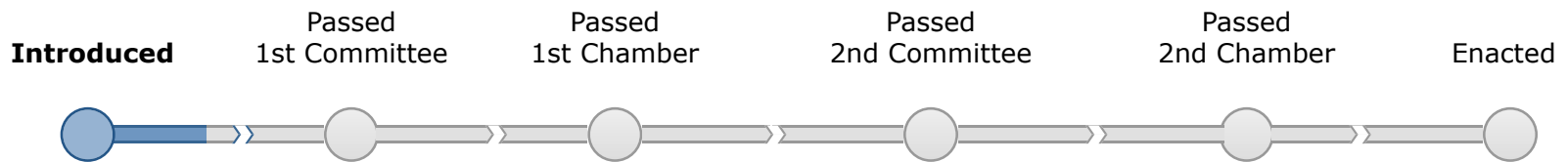
**Title:** Step Therapy Protocols

**Summary:** Relates to step therapy protocols; requires health benefit plans that restrict the use of any prescription drug through the use of a step therapy protocol to have in place a clear, convenient, and expeditious process for a prescribing medical provider to request an override of such restrictions for a patient; provides that a step therapy protocol is a protocol or program that establishes the specific sequence in which prescription drugs for a specified medical condition are medically appropriate.

**Disposition:** Pending - Carryover  
**Introduced:** 01/11/2018  
**Author:** DeSteph (R)  
**Status:** 02/06/2018 In SENATE Committee on FINANCE: Continued to 2019.

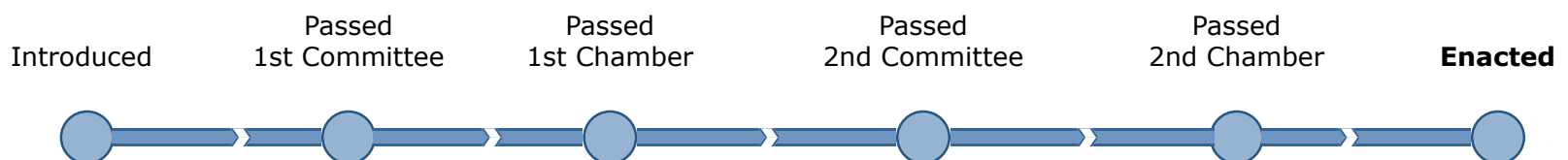
## Vermont

### 77. VT H 775



**Title:** Coupons and Discounts Use for Prescription Drugs  
**Summary:** Relates to restricting the use of coupons and discounts for prescription drugs.  
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 01/30/2018  
**Author:** Lippert (D)  
**Status:** 01/31/2018 To HOUSE Committee on HEALTH CARE.

### 78. VT S 19



**Title:** Silver Level Nonqualified Health Benefit Plans  
**Summary:** Allows silver level nonqualified health benefit plans to be offered outside the state's Health Benefit Exchange; revises provisions relating to health benefit plans for individuals and small employers; provides criteria for reflective silver plans; provides that reflective silver plans are those that do not include funding to offset the loss of federal cost sharing reduction payments.  
**NORD:** NORD supports this legislation.  
**Disposition:** Enacted  
**Introduced:** 01/11/2017  
**Author:** Ayer (D)  
**Status:** 02/27/2018 Act No. 88

### 79. VT S 92

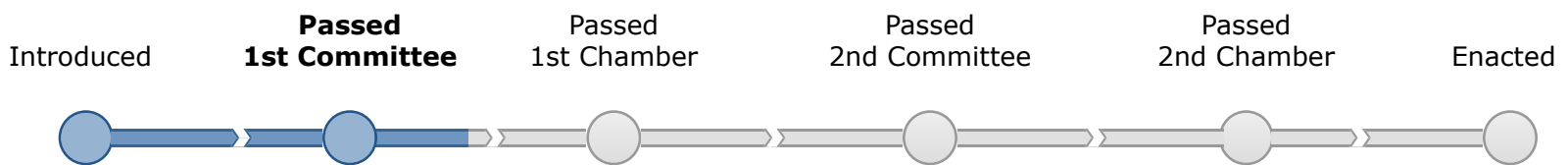




**Title:** Interchangeable Biological Products  
**Summary:** Relates to interchangeable biological products.  
**NORD:** NORD supports this legislation. Actions: Submitted written testimony.  
**Disposition:** To Governor  
**Introduced:** 02/21/2017  
**Author:** Lyons (D)  
**Status:** 05/03/2018 HOUSE concurred in SENATE additional amendments.  
 05/03/2018 Eligible for GOVERNOR'S desk.

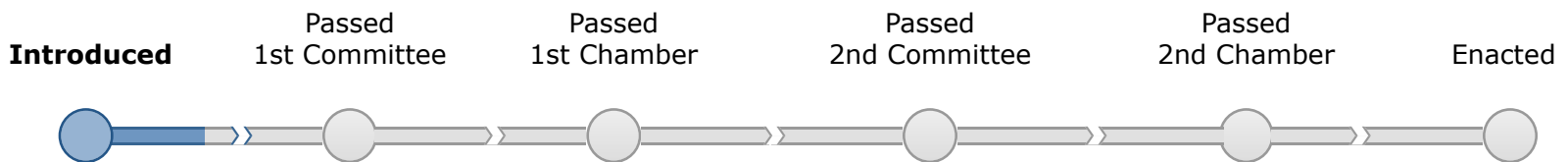
## Washington

### 80. WA S 5586



**Title:** Prescription Drug Cost Transparency  
**Summary:** Addresses prescription drug cost transparency.  
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 01/30/2017  
**Author:** Ranker (D)  
**Status:** 02/22/2018 In SENATE Committee on RULES: Indefinitely postponed.

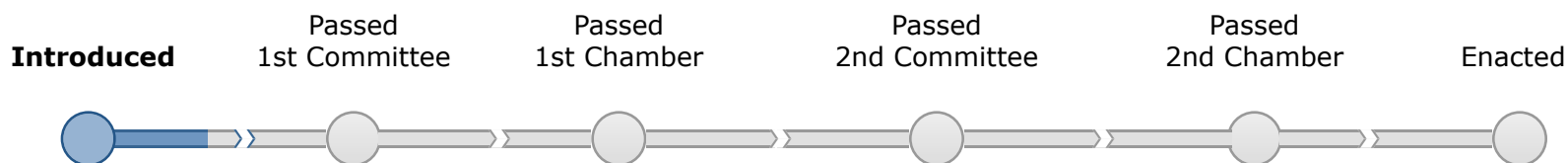
### 81. WA S 5626



**Title:** Metastatic Cancer  
**Summary:** Prohibits the use of step therapy in treatments for stage four advanced, metastatic cancer.  
**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned  
**Introduced:** 02/01/2017  
**Author:** Miloscia (R)  
**Status:** 01/08/2018 2018 REGULAR SESSION: By Order of Resolution - Reintroduced and retained in present status.  
 01/08/2018 To SENATE Committee on HEALTH CARE & LONG TERM CARE.



## 82. WA S 5757



**Title:** Step Therapy in Prescription Drug Coverage

**Summary:** Concerns use of step therapy in prescription drug coverage.

**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned

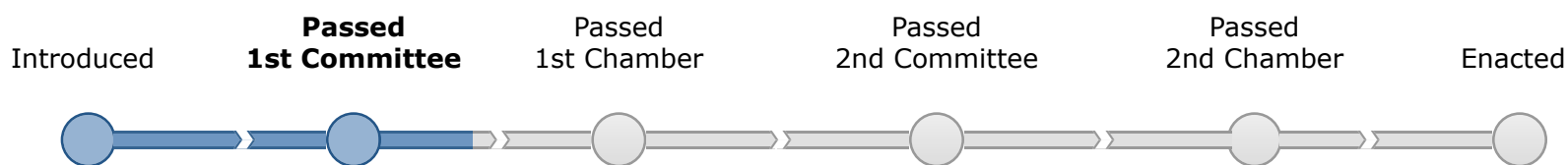
**Introduced:** 02/08/2017

**Author:** Rivers (R)

**Status:** 01/08/2018 2018 REGULAR SESSION: By Order of Resolution - Reintroduced and retained in present status.

01/08/2018 To SENATE Committee on HEALTH CARE & LONG TERM CARE.

## 83. WA S 5782



**Title:** Drugs Used in Mental Health Treatment

**Summary:** Restricts the use of step therapy by public and private insurers for drugs used in mental health treatment.

**Disposition:** Failed - Adjourned

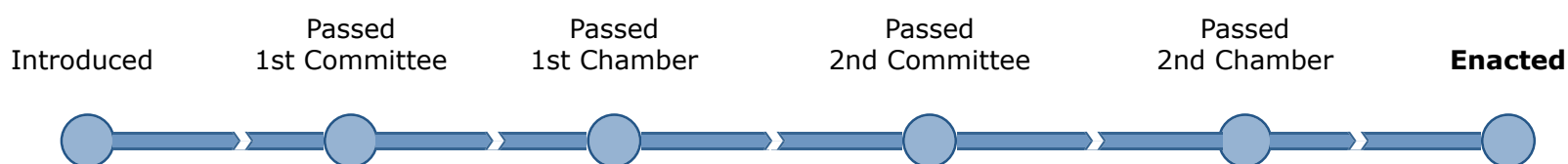
**Introduced:** 02/09/2017

**Author:** Rivers (R)

**Status:** 01/08/2018 2018 REGULAR SESSION: By Order of Resolution - Reintroduced and retained in present status.

## West Virginia

## 84. WV H 4524

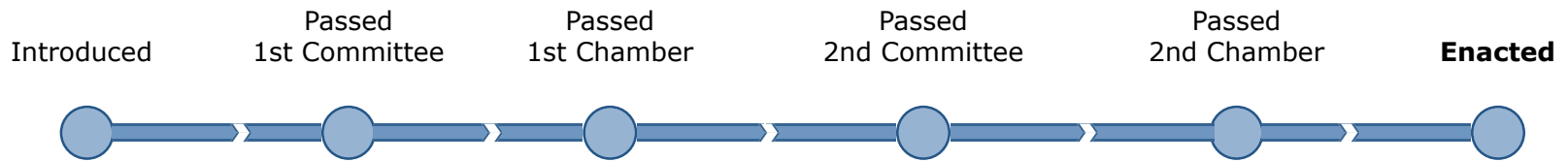


**Title:** Pharmacist Substitution of Biological Pharmaceuticals

**Summary:** Establishes guidelines for the substitution of certain biological pharmaceuticals by pharmacists; provides for guidelines relating to substitution of interchangeable biological products; establishes communication requirements between the pharmacists and prescriber relating to substitution of interchangeable biological products; requires maintenance of records relating to biological products dispensed for a specified time.

**Disposition:** Enacted  
**Introduced:** 02/13/2018  
**Sponsor:** Ellington (R)  
**Status:** 03/27/2018 Signed by GOVERNOR.

## 85. **WV S 299**



**Title:** Mandatory Insurance Coverage for Medical Foods

**Summary:** Relates to mandatory insurance coverage, up to a certain age, for certain medical foods for amino acid-based formulas; provides a list of diagnosed conditions for which insurance coverage should extend; provides that coverage extends to medically necessary foods for home use when prescribed by a physician; providing for exclusions from such coverage.

**Disposition:** Enacted  
**Introduced:** 01/16/2018  
**Sponsor:** Boley (R)  
**Status:** 03/27/2018 Signed by GOVERNOR.

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