

**HCANJ BUSINESS MEETING
LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY UPDATE
May 10, 2023**

1. Rule Adoptions

- None to Report

2. Rule Proposals

- None to Report

3. Health Care Administration Board Actions

- None to Report

4. Legislation Enacted

- None to Report

5. Legislation on Governor's Desk

- None to Report

6. Legislative Activity

- None to Report

7. Legislation Scheduled

Bill: A4616

Sponsors: Moriarty (D4); Greenwald (D6); Jaffer (D16) +1

Summary: Allows passage of Certified Respiratory Therapist examination to qualify for licensure as respiratory therapist.

Related: 2022:S3157

History: 09/22/2022—Introduced and referred to Assembly Regulated Professions Committee.

01/12/2023—Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.

01/26/2023—Passed in Assembly 78-0-0. Received in Senate and referred to Senate Commerce Committee.

Scheduled: 05/11/2023—Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.

Position: Support

- Bill:** A4618
Sponsors: Freiman (D16); Murphy (D7); Greenwald (D6) +6
Summary: Creates online job portal for behavioral health care workers and online internship and externship portal for health care students.
Related: 2022:S3122
History: 09/22/2022—Introduced and referred to Assembly Labor Committee.
12/08/2022—Reported out of committee, referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.
02/23/2023—Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Assembly.
02/27/2023—Passed in Assembly 78-0-0.
02/28/2023—Received in Senate and referred to Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee.
Scheduled: 05/11/2023—Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee.
Position: Support
- Bill:** S1485
Sponsors: Beach (D6); Singleton (D7) +1
Summary: "New Jersey Works Act"; Permits businesses to create pre-employment training programs in partnership with nonprofit organizations or educational institutions; provides tax credit to businesses that provide financial assistance to pre-employment training.
Related: 2022:A583; 2020:A1534; 2020:S1573; 2018:A5421; 2018:S3952
History: 02/10/2022—Introduced and referred to Senate Labor Committee.
Scheduled: 05/08/2023—Senate Labor Committee.
Position: Support
- Bill:** S2891 Sca (1R)
Sponsors: Vitale (D19); Greenstein (D14)
Summary: Expands scope of Office of State Long-Term Care Ombudsman; appropriates \$1 million.
Related: 2022:A4333
History: 06/20/2022—Introduced and referred to Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee.
10/06/2022—Reported with committee amendments. Referred to Senate Budget.
Scheduled: 05/11/2023—Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
Position: No Position
- Bill:** S2894 Sca (1R)
Sponsors: Vitale (D19); Stack (D33)
Summary: Establishes "Mission Critical Long-Term Care Teams"; provides for identification of and intervention at long-term care facilities at risk of operational and financial distress.
Related: 2022:A4335
History: 06/20/2022—Introduced and referred to Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee.
10/06/2022—Reported with committee amendments. Referred to Senate Budget.
Scheduled: 05/11/2023—Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
Position: Seek Amendments
Notes: Requested that recommended corrective actions not be provided to DOH for use in conducting a survey, inspection or complaint investigation.

Bill: S3122
Sponsors: Zwicker (D16) +2
Summary: Creates online job portal for behavioral health care workers and online internship and externship portal for health care students.
Related: 2022:A4618
History: 10/03/2022—Introduced and referred to Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee.
Scheduled: 05/11/2023—Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee.
Position: Support

Bill: S3157
Sponsors: Madden (D4) +1
Summary: Allows passage of Certified Respiratory Therapist examination to qualify for licensure as respiratory therapist.
Related: 2022:A4616
History: 10/03/2022—Introduced and referred to Senate Commerce Committee.
 01/26/2023—Reported out of committee, 2nd reading in Senate. Referred to Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
Scheduled: 05/11/2023—Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee.
Position: Support

Bill: S3495
Sponsors: Vitale (D19) +7
Summary: Provides for presumptive eligibility for home and community-based services under Medicaid.
Related: 2022:A4049
History: 01/19/2023—Introduced and referred to Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee.
Scheduled: 05/11/2023—Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee.
Position: Support, but seek amendment
Notes: Amend to mirror Assembly counterpart and include nursing facilities.

Bill: S3729
Sponsors: Codey (D27)
Summary: Provides for coverage of community-based palliative care benefits under Medicaid.
Related: 2022:A5225
History: 03/16/2023—Introduced and referred to Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee.
Scheduled: 05/11/2023—Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens.
Position: Monitor

8. Legislation Introduced

- None to Report