

SENATE

HEALTH AND WELFARE

COMMITTEE CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2021
12:30 PM - CORDELL HULL BUILDING
SENATE HEARING ROOM I

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

CROWE (R) CHAIRMAN	HENSLEY (R)	SWANN (R)
HAILE (R) 1ST VICE CHAIRMAN	JACKSON (R)	WATSON (R)
REEVES (R) 2ND VICE CHAIRMAN	MASSEY (R)	YARBRO (D)

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. [SB 0164](#) ***Lundberg** (HB 0115 by *Campbell S, Ramsey)
Children- As introduced, authorizes a Parents' Day Out or similar program operated by a religious institution or organization to provide 12-hour per week child care services in whatever block of time desired. - Amends TCA Title 49 and Title 71.

2. [SJR 0202](#) ***Crowe**
General Assembly, Statement of Intent or Position- Encourages health insurers, providers, and hospitals to adopt the CDC Hepatitis C screening guidelines to test all pregnant women in Tennessee for Hepatitis C to help prevent the spread of new infections. -

3. [SB 1277](#) ***Reeves, Bowling, Hensley, Niceley, Pody** (HB 0750 by *Boyd, Gant, Ramsey, Jernigan, Whitson, Hall, Marsh, Freeman, Terry, Hicks G, Ogles)
Boards and Commissions- As introduced, creates the chronic weight management task force to study the health implications of chronic weight management and Type 2 diabetes. - Amends TCA Title 3; Title 4; Title 56, Chapter 1, Part 1 and Title 63.

4. [HJR 0188](#) ***Whitson, Jernigan, Crawford, Clemmons, Hazlewood**
Memorials, Recognition- March 11, 2021, Disability Advocacy Day -

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BUDGET HEARINGS

TN DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

TN COMMISSION ON AGING AND DISABILITY

REGULAR CALENDAR

1. [SB 0702](#) *Powers (HB 1284 by *Ramsey, Beck)
Dentists and Dentistry- As introduced, changes from annually to semi-annually the frequency of the submission to the governor of reports of the board of dentistry's proceedings and activities. - Amends TCA Title 63, Chapter 5.

2. [SB 0751](#) *Johnson, Watson (HB 0142 by *Lamberth, Gant, Terry, Smith, Sherrell, Hawk)
Welfare- As introduced, makes certain investigative records of the department of human services confidential during the course of an investigation; establishes fines for certain offenses related to fraudulently obtaining food assistance; requires the department of human services to convene families first community advisory meetings; requires the department of human services to establish a two-year pilot program that provides an optional alternative temporary assistance pathway for certain assistance recipients. - Amends TCA Section 71-1-105; Section 71-3-104; Section 71-3-105; Section 71-3-120; Title 71, Chapter 5, Part 12 and Section 71-5-314.

3. [SB 1179](#) ***Yarbro** (HB 1088 by *Hakeem)

Public Health- As introduced, removes the prohibition on operating a needle and hypodermic syringe exchange program within 1,000 feet of a public park in certain counties and municipalities. - Amends TCA Title 68.

4. [SB 0212](#) ***Haile** (HB 1045 by *Kumar)

Health, Dept. of- As introduced, requires licensing authority, upon learning a healthcare prescriber was indicted for or convicted of certain criminal offenses, to restrict or revoke, respectively, the prescriber's ability to prescribe controlled substances; requires licensing authority to suspend the license of certain healthcare professionals upon finding the healthcare professional failed to comply with physician collaboration requirements; requires facility administrators to report certain information. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 29, Chapter 26; Title 63 and Title 68.

5. [SB 0381](#) ***Massey, Briggs** (HB 1013 by *Hicks G, Littleton)

Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities- As introduced, clarifies that the requirement for the department to assess the fiscal impact upon licensees of a change by the department of certain rules, regulations, policies, or guidelines also applies if affected licensees render services pursuant to agreements with TennCare or TennCare managed care organizations. - Amends TCA Title 33 and Title 71.

6. [SB 0667](#) ***Massey, Robinson, Swann** (HB 0880 by *Terry, Hardaway, Hodges)

Health, Dept. of- As introduced, requests the department and its division of health related boards to perform a study on the licensure and regulation of cannabis for medical use by departments of health and medical professional licensing boards in states contiguous to Tennessee and report findings to the general assembly's health committees by December 15, 2021. - Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29; Title 4, Chapter 3; Title 38, Chapter 3; Title 39, Chapter 17; Title 43; Title 50; Title 53; Title 63; Title 67 and Title 68.

7. [SB 0585](#) ***Crowe** (HB 0555 by *Johnson C)

Hospitals and Health Care Facilities- As introduced, revises various provisions governing certifications of needs for nursing home beds, including updating the applicable fiscal years for bed limits for Medicare skilled nursing facilities; and deleting special provisions for partial relocation of nursing facilities and beds. - Amends TCA Title 68, Chapter 11, Part 16.

8. [SB 0207](#) *Haile, Powers (HB 0215 by *Curcio, Smith, Hazlewood)

Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation- As introduced, enacts the "Stopping Addiction and Fostering Excellence (SAFE) Act." - Amends TCA Title 6; Title 33; Title 47; Title 63 and Title 68.

9. [SB 0015](#) *Bell (HB 0007 by *Zachary, Faison, Todd, Howell, Hurt, Cepicky, Moon, Hall, Lamberth, Lafferty, Wright, Carringer, Terry, Gant, White, Sherrell, Smith, Helton, Cochran, Ogles, Weaver, Bricken, Garrett, Moody, Ragan, Littleton)

Public Health- As introduced, specifies that the county mayor has the authority to establish and implement health policies that affect the entire county during a county-wide health emergency; directs the county health director, health officer, and board of health to provide advice to the mayor to develop the policies; applies only in Shelby, Davidson, Knox, Hamilton, Sullivan, and Madison counties. - Amends TCA Title 5 and Title 68, Chapter 2, Part 6.

10. [SB 1267](#) *Reeves (HB 1353 by *Vaughan)

Nurses, Nursing- As introduced, authorizes a nursing graduate to engage in the practice of professional nursing without a license for a limited period of time if certain conditions are met. - Amends TCA Title 63, Chapter 7, Part 1.

11. [SB 0807](#) *Yarbro (HB 0670 by *Freeman)

Children- As introduced, requires the commissioner of human services to designate a specific departmental staff person to serve, in addition to the staff person's other duties, as a liaison to work with, provide information to, and receive input from licensed child care providers. - Amends TCA Title 71, Chapter 3, Part 5.

12. [SB 1027](#) *Briggs (HB 0959 by *Whitson)

Medical Occupations- As introduced, permits the board for professional counselors, marital and family therapists, and clinical pastoral therapists to conduct meetings by electronic means, as long as the electronic means used allow for all board members to transmit and receive real-time audio. - Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 63.

13. [SB 0126](#) *Haile (HB 1027 by *Kumar)

Health Care- As introduced, increases from six to seven hours, the training required in medication administration from a registered nurse for those unlicensed persons employed by licensed agencies to assist children and youth with the self-administration of medication in a group home setting without being subject to nursing licensure and other nursing requirements. - Amends TCA Title 8; Title 53; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71.

14. [SB 0234](#) *Hensley (HB 0829 by *Kumar)

Interstate Compacts- As introduced, enacts the Solemn Covenant of the States to Award Prizes for Curing Diseases compact. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 53; Title 56; Title 63; Title 68 and Title 71.

15. [SB 1104](#) *Yarbro (HB 1509 by *McKenzie)

Human Services, Dept. of- As introduced, authorizes the department to utilize alternative methodologies to determine the cost of day care when setting the annual day care reimbursement rate. - Amends TCA Title 71.

16. [SB 1105](#) *Yarbro (HB 0996 by *Love)

Human Services, Dept. of- As introduced, requires the department to establish an enrollment-based alternative payments pilot program; requires the department to publish an annual report following the conclusion of each year of the two-year pilot program. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 68 and Title 71.

17. [SB 0583](#) *Crowe (HB 0891 by *Leatherwood, Ramsey)

Opioids- As introduced, authorizes certain entities providing addiction treatment services or residential housing services for those in recovery to receive opioid antagonists and to administer those opioid antagonists in certain situations if certain criteria is met. - Amends TCA Title 63, Chapter 1.

18. [SB 1339](#) *Hensley (HB 0915 by *Hawk)

Professions and Occupations- As introduced, adds licensed aestheticians working under the supervision of a licensed physician to the list of persons exempt from the Tennessee Cosmetology Act of 1986. - Amends TCA Section 62-4-109.

19. [SB 0677](#) *Massey, Hensley (HB 0598 by *Hazlewood, White, Hicks G, Williams, Love, Hawk, Whitson, Ramsey)

General Assembly, Directed Studies- As introduced, creates the Tennessee child care task force. - Amends TCA Title 4, Chapter 29; Title 49 and Title 71.

20. [SB 0187](#) *Bowling (HB 0013 by *Hulsey, Griffey, Cepicky, Reedy, Weaver, Smith, Calfee, Hall, Rudd)

Public Health- As introduced, prohibits state and local authorities from forcing, requiring, or coercing a person to receive an immunization or vaccination for COVID-19 against the person's will. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 8; Title 49; Title 50 and Title 68.

21. [SB 0410](#) *Gilmore (HB 0565 by *Dixie, Camper, Hardaway, Hakeem, Shaw, McKenzie, Parkinson, Love, Chism, Towns, Miller, Lamar, Harris, Cooper)

Medical Occupations- As introduced, specifically authorizes a licensed medical professional who draws blood at a nonprofit blood bank or blood center, a dentist, or a nurse to administer a vaccination against COVID-19 as long as the professional, dentist, or nurse has received appropriate training on how to administer the vaccination. - Amends TCA Title 63.

22. [SB 0484](#) *Haile (HB 0582 by *Terry)

Controlled Substances- As introduced, authorizes the departments of health and mental health and substance abuse services and the bureau of TennCare to provide in an electronic format the educational materials required to be made available to prescribers of medication assisted treatment and facilities that use medication-assisted treatment for the treatment of substance use disorder. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 16, Chapter 22; Title 33; Title 38; Title 39, Chapter 17; Title 40; Title 41; Title 45; Title 50; Title 53; Title 63; Title 67 and Title 68.

23. [SB 0377](#) *Campbell (HB 0885 by *Thompson)

Welfare- As introduced, provides a \$400 supplement to families receiving temporary assistance for three months to offset expenses related to purchasing personal protective equipment, job loss, internet costs associated with virtual education and job searches, and other pandemic-related expenses. - Amends TCA Title 71.

24. [SB 0104](#) *Campbell (HB 1002 by *Love)

Welfare- As introduced, requires the monthly allotment of temporary cash assistance awarded to each recipient in the Families First program to be increased from the 2021 level to \$380 by January 1, 2022, subject to appropriation of the general assembly. - Amends TCA Title 4; Title 9 and Title 71.

25. [SB 0107](#) *Campbell (HB 0886 by *Thompson)

Welfare- As introduced, requires an annual cost of living increase for families first temporary assistance payments based on the consumer price index. - Amends TCA Title 4 and Title 71.