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HB 2024 (Chapter 257): alkaline hydrolysis; facilities; operators; licensure

Establishes regulatory and licensure requirements for alkaline hydrolysis facilities and operators. Allows the Arizona State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers to determine fee amounts for alkaline hydrolysis facility licenses, operator licenses and permits.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2030 (Chapter 238): state hospital; procurement; overtime

Permits the Director of the Arizona Department of Administration to authorize a workday for Arizona State Hospital (ASH) employees who are regularly scheduled to work a shift that spans two calendar days and exempts the Department of Health Services from procurement code requirements for contracts providing treatment to ASH patients.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2049 (Chapter 258): fingerprint requirements: care facilities

Requires contractors or volunteers of residential care institutions, nursing care institutions or home health agencies providing direct support services to have a valid fingerprint clearance card or apply for a fingerprint clearance card within 20 working days.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2083 (Chapter 328): AHCCCS services; diabetes management

Allows up to 10 hours annually of diabetes outpatient self-management training services (DSMT) as an Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System covered service if prescribed by a primary care physician under certain criteria. Prohibits monies in the Hospital Assessment Fund from being used to provide DSMT services.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2084 (Chapter 85): kinship care; fingerprint requirement; waiver

Requires kinship foster care parents to apply for a fingerprint clearance card and allows the Department of Child Safety to waive the fingerprint clearance card requirement for kinship foster care parents and issue a restricted license if the requirement is waived.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2085 (Chapter 64): nursing facility provider assessments; continuation

Extends the delayed repeal date of the nursing facility provider assessment to October 1, 2031.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2086 (Chapter 240): DHS; school immunizations; exclusions

States that immunizations against Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or any of its variants are not required for school attendance in Arizona.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2088 (Chapter 25): ALTCS; preadmission screening

Requires Arizona Long Term Care System preadmission screening for home and community-based services to be conducted virtually or telephonically, unless the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System (AHCCCS) determines it necessary to conduct the assessment in person or an in-person screening is requested. Transfers certain preadmission screening responsibilities from the Department of Health Services to AHCCCS.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2098 (Chapter 122): psychiatric assessment; nurse practitioners; reporting

Adds psychiatric and mental health nurse practitioners to the list of health professionals who may perform psychiatric assessments for minors and make recommendations for services.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2113 (Chapter 94): developmental disabilities; Down syndrome

Expands the definition of *developmental disability* to include a severe, chronic disability that is attributable to Down syndrome. Defines *Down syndrome* as a genetic disorder caused when abnormal cell division results in extra genetic material from chromosome 21, affecting a person's cognitive and physical abilities and causing developmental issues.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2144 (Chapter 219): health insurance coverage; biomarker testing

Requires, by January 1, 2023, specified health care insurers, the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System and its contractors to provide coverage for biomarker testing. Prescribes processes and requirements for the usage and coverage of biomarker testing.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2197 (Chapter 82): medical examiner; pathologist assistant; autopsies

Allows a county or alternative medical examiner to authorize pathologist assistants to assist with performing autopsies while under the direct supervision of a licensed physician who is board certified in forensic pathology, pursuant to procedures adopted by the county medical examiner or alternate medical examiner.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2274 (Chapter 329): appropriation; stipend; kinship foster care

Appropriates \$19.8 million from the state General Fund in fiscal year 2023 to the Department of Child Safety to provide \$300 monthly stipends per child for relative caretakers. States that the Legislature intends the appropriation to be considered ongoing funding in future years.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2397 (Chapter 379): emotional abuse; vulnerable adults

Adds *emotional abuse* to the definition of abuse for purposes of Adult Protective Services investigations and services. Defines *emotional abuse* as a pattern of ridiculing, demeaning, making derogatory remarks, verbally harassing or threatening to inflict physical or emotional harm on a vulnerable adult.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2429 (Chapter 224): NOW: health professional wellness programs; confidentiality

Allows certain tax-exempt statewide associations representing licensed nurses, medical doctors or osteopathic physicians to establish a health professional wellness program. States that a health professional's participation in the program is confidential unless certain criteria is met.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2431 (Chapter 274): emergency medical services; patient transport

Forbids an emergency medical care technician (EMCT) from counseling a patient to decline emergency medical services transportation and from providing a presumptive medical diagnosis. Requires an EMCT to comply with established standards and protocols when considering emergency transport, including the appropriate use of telecommunications.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2433 (Chapter 246): HIV testing; consent; repeal

Repeals statute requiring health care providers to provide informed consent information to patients prior to ordering any HIV-related test, as well as outlined exceptions.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2434 (Chapter 57): surgical smoke evacuation; requirements

Requires, beginning July 1, 2024, outpatient surgical centers and hospitals to adopt and implement policies to prevent exposure to surgical smoke by using a smoke evacuation system for procedures that generates surgical smoke.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2450 (Chapter 128): outpatient treatment centers; licensure; exemption

Exempts outpatient treatment centers that have the same governing authority as a licensed hospital and that are staffed by licensed health care providers from the Department of Health Services supervision, licensure, regulation and control.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2490 (Chapter 98): pharmacists; providers; collaborative practice agreements

Allows licensed pharmacists to enter into collaborative practice agreements with providers to initiate, monitor and modify drug therapy or provide disease management assistance and outlines requirements for such agreements. Repeals statutes relating to initiating, monitoring and modifying drug therapy by pharmacists.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2594 (Chapter 249): trauma recovery centers; grants

Creates the Trauma Recovery Center Fund to be administered by the Department of Health Services to support and provide grants to trauma recovery centers. Outlines grant eligibility criteria and reporting requirements.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2622 (Chapter 339): eligibility; AHCCCS

Requires the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System or their designee to annually renew on an automatic basis the eligibility of individuals that were in the custody of the Department of Child Safety at the time of turning 18 years old, without requiring additional information, until the individual reaches the age of 26.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2635 (Chapter 297): NOW: breast implant surgery; informed consent

Applies statutory informed consent requirements for cosmetic breast implant surgery to breast implant surgery for reconstructive purposes.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2647 (Chapter 275): child services; abuse reporting; jurisdiction

Asserts that the Department of Child Safety is not required to prepare a report concerning alleged abuse or neglect if the alleged act or acts occurred in a foreign country and the child is in the custody of the federal government.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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HB 2659 (Chapter 70): organ transplants; disabilities; discrimination; prohibitions

Forbids health care providers from refusing to provide or otherwise determine that an individual is ineligible to receive organ transplant-related services based solely on the fact that the individual has a disability. Directs health care facilities to make reasonable modifications to its policies, practices and procedures to allow individuals with a disability access to organ transplant-related services.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1074 (Chapter 7): dentists; scope of practice

Expands the practice of dentistry to include the administration of botulinum toxin type A (Botox) and dermal fillers for therapeutic or cosmetic purposes.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1076 (Chapter 194): NOW: DCS; hotline allegation data; evaluation

Requires the Department of Child Safety (DCS) to engage an independent advanced analytics consultant for the purposes of identifying associations between hotline allegations data within DCS reports and the need for protective service response. Outlines evaluation and reporting requirements.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1080 (Chapter 23): acupuncture; scope of practice; assistants

Requires applicants pursuing an acupuncture license or detoxification specialist certificate to possess a valid fingerprint clearance card by January 1, 2023. Outlines the scope of practice for acupuncture assistants, modifies and defines terms.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1088 (Chapter 8): physicians; naturopathic medicine

Deems an assault committed against a naturopathic physician as an aggravated assault. Expands the services a naturopathic and osteopathic physician may perform and modifies definitions.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1162 (Chapter 134): opioid prescriptions; intractable pain; exceptions

Exempts patients experiencing chronic intractable pain or receiving opioid treatment for perioperative care following an inpatient surgical process from the 90-morphine milligram equivalent per day limit on opioids prescriptions.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1163 (Chapter 189): individualized investigational treatment; availability; prohibitions

Permits eligible manufacturers to make individualized investigational treatment (IIT) available to eligible patients. Specifies that health plans, third party administrators or other third-party payors may, but are not required to, provide coverage for the cost of IIT.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1190 (Chapter 11): health care directives registry; access

Grants surrogates acting on behalf of a person that is the subject of the document in the health care directives registry access to those documents. Permits the qualifying health information exchange organization to use, disclose and make accessible the information contained in the health care directives registry as authorized by statute.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1202 (Chapter 12 E): nursing care; assisted living; continuation

An emergency measure effective March 18, 2022, that continues the Arizona Board of Nursing Care Institution Administrators and Assisted Living Facility Managers for two years until July 1, 2024.

Effective: March 18, 2022

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SB 1203 (Chapter 34): health care institutions; architectural plans

Requires health care institution license applications to include a notarized attestation from a registered architect verifying that the architectural plans and specifications meet or exceed Department of Health Services (DHS) standards, rather than include the institution's architectural plans and specifications or DHS's approval of the plans and specifications.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1210 (Chapter 250): mentally ill; transportation; evaluation; treatment

Allows specified entities to authorize the apprehension and transportation of a proposed patient to an evaluation or mental health agency by an authorized transporter. Creates the Study Committee on Alternative Behavioral Health Transportation and outlines membership and duties.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1231 (Chapter 159): independent oversight committee; developmental disabilities

Instructs the Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) within the Department of Economic Security to grant the Independent Oversight Committee on Persons with Developmental Disabilities 30 days to review new policies and major policy changes before DDD submits the policies or changes for public comment.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1232 (Chapter 35): pharmacy board; continuation

Continues the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy for four years, until July 1, 2026.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1233 (Chapter 36): dispensing opticians board; continuation

Continues the Arizona State Board of Dispensing Opticians for eight years, until July 1, 2030.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1234 (Chapter 76): board of nursing; continuation

Continues the Arizona State Board of Nursing for four years, until July 1, 2026.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1235 (Chapter 37): acupuncture board; continuation

Continues the Arizona Acupunctured Board of Examiners for eight years, until July 1, 2030.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1240 (Chapter 135): NOW: dental board; records; investigations; powers

Changes examination requirements and renewal procedures for dental professional licenses and certificates. Enables the Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners to establish an investigational committee for the purposes of investigating and adjudicating complaints.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1242 (Chapter 15): nursing care; assisted living; regulation

Creates processes for the Arizona Board of Nursing Care Institution Administrators and Assisted Living Facility Managers relating to the implementation of a fingerprint-based national criminal background check and an expedited process for identifying and referring complaints regarding licensees and certificate holders.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1307 (Chapter 195): child services; safety assessment model

Requires the Department of Child Safety (DCS) to use an evidence-informed safety assessment model to assess the safety of children and include it in trainings for DCS investigators.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1309 (Chapter 77 E): NOW: temporary licenses; health professionals; extension

An emergency measure effective March 25, 2022, stipulates that any temporary license issued by a health profession regulatory board to a health professional during the Governor's declaration of emergency related to Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), that was active March 1, 2022, expires on January 1, 2023.

Effective: March 25, 2022

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SB 1311 (Chapter 190): health care workers; assault; prevention.

Requires healthcare employers to develop, implement and maintain a written workplace violence prevention plan by July 1, 2023. Specifies that a person commits aggravated assault if the person assaults a health care worker while engaged in their work duties. Provides restrictions, processes and procedures relating to workplace violence prevention plans, healthcare employers and workers.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1312 (Chapter 289): NOW: physical therapy; practice; imaging

Permits physical therapists to order musculoskeletal imaging consisting of plain film radiographs to be performed by an authorized health care practitioner and interpreted by specified licensed health care professionals trained in radiology interpretation.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1319 (Chapter 231): NOW: vision screening; program

Requires vision screening rules adopted by the Department of Health Services to be made in consultation with certain nonprofit organizations, health care professionals and school personnel.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1398 (Chapter 46): NOW: dry needling; athletic trainers

Directs the Arizona Board of Athletic Training, by September 30, 2022, to adopt rules establishing the professional standards of care, training and education qualifications for athletic trainers to perform dry needling for therapeutic purposes and defines *dry needling*.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1444 (Chapter 359): NOW: state hospital; administration; oversight

Prohibits the Arizona State Hospital (ASH) administration and its employees from retaliating against a patient due to the patient or their families participation in the Independent Oversight Committee at ASH. Requires the ASH administration to develop and implement an innovative clinical improvement and human resources development plan by September 1, 2023. Expands the Joint Legislative Psychiatric Hospital Review Council membership, duties and reporting requirements.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1468 (Chapter 116): occupational therapists; compact

Adopts the Occupational Therapy Licensure Compact (Compact) to allow licensed occupational therapists and occupational therapy assistants to obtain licensure in other Compact states. Creates the Occupational Therapy Compact Commission and outlines membership, authorities and duties.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1469 (Chapter 284): controlled substances monitoring; search warrants

Specifies that the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy may release Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program data to law enforcement agencies or criminal justice agencies only if the requesting agency provides a valid search warrant and is using the information for an open investigation or complaint.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1542 (Chapter 234): group homes; electronic monitoring

Permits service providers of group homes, nursing-supported group homes and intermediate care facilities for individuals with developmental disabilities to install, oversee and monitor electronic monitoring devices in common areas of the facility, unless any client or the client's responsible person objects to the installation. Outlines requirements and restrictions for rules regarding the use of electronic monitoring devices adopted by the Director of the Department of Economic Security.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1569 (Chapter 362): pharmacy technician trainees; pharmacists; compounding

Repeals, effective July 1, 2023, the licensure requirement for pharmacy technician trainees and instead requires pharmacy technician trainee applicants to register with the Board of Pharmacy. Removes certain acts of *unethical conduct* within the practice of pharmacy and establishes requirements for remote hospital-site pharmacy permittees.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1601 (Chapter 51): board of chiropractic examiners; continuation

Continues the Arizona State Board of Chiropractic Examiners for eight years until July 1, 2030.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1637 (Chapter 216): health professionals; business entities; interference

States that except for the designated practice settings for licensed optometrists, all licensed health professionals may engage in the practice in which they are licensed in any form of business entity or as an employee of any form of business entity in the State of Arizona.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1639 (Chapter 78): control substances; medical records integration

Requires a vendor that provides electronic medical record services to a medical practitioner in Arizona to integrate their electronic medical records system with the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program's central database tracking system either directly or through the statewide health information exchange or a third-party vendor by December 31, 2026.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1640 (Chapter 52): nursing assistants; minimum age

States that a person wishing to practice as a certified nursing assistant or licensed nursing assistant must be at least 16 years old.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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SB 1651 (Chapter 305): serious mental illness; annual report

Establishes annual reporting requirements for the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System regarding individuals living with a serious mental illness.

Effective: September 24, 2022

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