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**HB 2049 (Chapter 77 E): radiation therapy; rural counties**
An emergency measure that requires the Department of Health Services to permit the use of a particle accelerator to treat human diseases under general supervision in counties with a population of fewer than 400,000 people or at critical access hospitals, if certain conditions are met.

Effective: June 4, 2026

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**HB 2050 (Chapter 37): radiologic technologists; radiologist assistants**
Updates Department of Health Services standards for radiologic technologists and radiologic assistants, including technology school approvals, certification requirements and supervision requirements.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2072 (Chapter 9 E): NOW: Cesar Chavez day; repeal**
An emergency measure that repeals Dr. Cesar Estrada Chavez Day.

Effective: April 1, 2026

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**HB 2082 (Chapter 79): childhood cancer research; commission**
Creates the Childhood Cancer and Rare Childhood Disease Research Commission (Commission) that consists of monies allocated from the Childhood Cancer and Rare Childhood Disease Research Fund to award grants to Arizona nonprofit health care providers and research institutions engaged in clinical trials relating to research on pediatric cancer or other rare pediatric diseases. Outlines Commission grant qualifications and membership.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2176 (Chapter 83): health facilities; licensure; complaints; investigations**
Modifies the criteria for denying licensure or ownership changes for health care institutions. Establishes procedures and requirements for complaint investigations, compliance inspections and standards for the informal dispute resolution process.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2177 (Chapter 49): AHCCCS; waivers; American Indians; services**
Grants the Director of the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System the authority to annually apply for a federal waiver to authorize Medicaid payments for certain services provided to American Indian and Alaska Native members through Indian Health Services facilities or other facilities operated by tribes or tribal organizations under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act that were eliminated or reduced during or after September 2010.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2178 (Chapter 50): agency; chief medical officer; license**
Mandates any person serving as a chief medical officer for a state agency possess an active license to practice medicine.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2179 (Chapter 51): air ambulance services**
Establishes definitions relating to air ambulance services to distinguish ground ambulance and air ambulance regulations throughout statute. Updates various statutory terms and regulations to include air ambulances where applicable.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2189 (Chapter 84): licensed health aides; rules**
Requires the Arizona State Board of Nursing to adopt rules to implement the scope of practice for licensed health aides.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2190/SB 1238 (Chapter 3): physician assistants; licensure compact**
Adopts the Physician Assistant Licensure Compact (Compact) to allow physician assistants to obtain licensure in other Compact states. Creates the Physician Assistant Licensure Compact Commission and outlines its membership, responsibilities and duties.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2195 (Chapter 85): nursing facilities; records; surveys; timelines**
Revises Department of Health Services oversight and investigative procedures for nursing care institutions, including personnel record access and complaint investigations.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2307 (Chapter 12 E): NOW: dangerous incompetent defendants; study committee**
An emergency measure that, until December 31, 2031, arranges placement of dangerous and incompetent defendants at the Arizona State Hospital (ASH) when there are no beds available in a secure state mental health facility in Arizona. Creates the Study Committee on Secure State Mental Health Facilities (Study Committee) to make recommendations on the long-term feasibility of secure state mental health facilities or other care models and outlines Study Committee membership, duties and authorities. Requires the Department of Health Services to conduct an analysis of the cost to staff and construct or renovate an existing structure to be converted to a new secure state mental health facility on ASH grounds for placement of dangerous, incompetent and nonrestorable defendants.

Effective: April 2, 2026

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**HB 2321 (Chapter 197): NOW: DCS; credit freeze; reporting**
Requires the Department of Child Safety (DCS) to place a security freeze on a child's record or credit report within 30 days after a child is adjudicated a dependent child and placed in DCS care.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2404 (Chapter 199): NOW: transportation; mental health; patients**
Effective January 1, 2030, requires an authorized transporter to apprehend and transport individuals for mental health services and prohibits a peace officer from transporting individuals for mental health services, except as outlined.

Effective: January 1, 2030

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**HB 2408 (Chapter 251): nursing board; regulatory actions; expungement**
Establishes procedures, time frames, confidentiality and notice requirements for complaint investigations conducted by the Arizona State Board of Nursing (Board). Creates a process for the Board to expunge certain disciplinary actions imposed on a licensee or certificate holder. Updates the definition of *unprofessional conduct* for the practice of nursing.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2434 (Chapter 94): controlled substances prescription monitoring program**
Updates requirements relating to the Controlled Substances Prescription Monitoring Program (CSPMP). Repurposes the CSPMP task force into a compliance workgroup to identify potential noncompliance with the requirement to use the CSPMP.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2673 (Chapter 105): NOW: study committee; inmate mental health**
Establishes a 13-member Study Committee on Inmate Mental Health Services and outlines membership, duties and reporting requirements.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2686 (Chapter 106): physicians; surgical centers; call coverage**
Effective January 1, 2027, classifies, as unprofessional conduct, the failure of an allopathic or osteopathic physician who performs surgeries at an outpatient surgical center to provide an updated call-coverage plan.

Effective: January 1, 2027

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**HB 2729 (Chapter 254): NOW: health boards; DES; continuations**
Continues the Department of Economic Security, the Arizona State Board of Nursing, the Arizona Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners, the Arizona Regulatory Board of Physician Assistants for four years, until July 1, 2030. Continues the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy for six years, until July 1, 2032.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2733 (Chapter 203): pharmacy board; renewals; ownership change**
Allows pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to complete required continuing education after submitting a renewal application and paying fees, if all continuing education is completed before the license expires. Expands permissible delivery locations for prescription medications, unless prohibited by federal law. Allows a business permittee to continue operations under their existing permit during a change of ownership if certain conditions are met.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2906 (Chapter 118): dental board; membership**
Requires one of the six licensed dentists who are appointed to the Arizona State Board of Dental Examiners to be an oral and maxillofacial surgeon who is in active practice at the time of appointment.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2923 (Chapter 120): court-ordered treatment; judicial review**
Modifies timelines, procedures and notification requirements related to judicial review for court-ordered mental health treatments.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 2953 (Chapter 207): pharmacy board; civil penalties.**
Establishes limitations on civil penalties issued by the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**HB 4010 (Chapter 210): genetic counselors; board; licensure**
Establishes the Board of Genetic Counselors (Board) to license, regulate and adopt standards for genetic counselors. Requires a person who wishes to practice genetic counseling, on completion of Board rulemaking and no later than October 1, 2026, to be licensed in Arizona. Outlines qualifications for genetic counselor licensure, provisional licensure and grounds for denying, suspending or revoking a genetic counselor license.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1023 (Chapter 6): optometrists; eye exams; prescriptions**
Establishes standards for optometrists to conduct eye examinations and prescribe eyeglass prescriptions.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1113 (Chapter 214): service of process; evaluation agencies**
Authorizes the court, in court-ordered evaluation or treatment proceedings, to permit a screening or evaluation agency employee to serve required legal documents on a proposed patient admitted to the agency when a petition is filed.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1121 (Chapter 142): radiation protection systems; medical procedures**
Prohibits hospitals that perform cardiac catheterization procedures using real-time x-ray imaging from requiring health professionals to wear lead aprons if the procedure room is equipped with a radiation protection system.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1123 (Chapter 33): medical examiners; authorized persons**
Requires a licensed physician supervising autopsies performed by medical students, residents or pathology fellows to be trained in forensic pathology, rather than be certified by the American Board of Pathology in forensic pathology.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1125 (Chapter 10): DCS; memorandum of understanding; tribes**
Directs the Department of Child Safety to make efforts on an annual basis to enter into a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with each Indian tribe in Arizona that does not have an MOU and outlines requirements for the MOU.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1145 (Chapter 148): behavior analysts; committee; regulatory authority**
Effective January 1, 2027, requires the Arizona Board of Psychologist Examiners (Board) to delegate authority over the licensure and regulation of behavior analysts to the Committee of Behavior Analysts and restructures the Board's membership.

Effective: January 1, 2027

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**SB 1162 (Chapter 149): NOW: health care institutions; licensing; compliance**
Directs the Department of Health Services and the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System to coordinate for the review of monitoring and compliance functions to identify areas of overlap related to health care institution licensing standards. Outlines qualifications and training standards for behavioral health technicians (BHTs) and prescribes BHT scope of practice, supervision and duties.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1164 (Chapter 150): ALTCS; providers; change of ownership**
Establishes change of ownership requirements for licensed skilled nursing facilities and assisted living facilities to continue processing claims for services rendered to members of the Arizona Long Term Care System.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1165 (Chapter 151): insurance; cost sharing; breast exams**
Effective for contracts, evidence of coverage and policies issued beginning January 1, 2027, prohibits a hospital or medical service corporation, health care services organization, disability insurer and group or blanket disability insurer from imposing cost sharing requirements for preventative screening services for breast cancer or for additional screening services required to complete the screening continuum.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1172 (Chapter 67): NOW: deficiencies; denial; credentialing**
Requires the Department of Economic Security (DES) to give an applicant 14 days to correct deficiencies in a denied application for credentialing or recredentialing. Specifies that DES must reevaluate the application if certain conditions are met and permits an applicant to appeal a subsequent denial.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1174 (Chapter 153): DCS; intake hotline; case history**
Effective January 1, 2027, requires the Department of Child Safety (DCS) central intake hotline to generate a single report showing the entire history of a child and the child's siblings who have been the subject of prior hotline calls or DCS investigations. Requires hotline workers to review previous hotline calls as outlined.

Effective: January 1, 2027

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**SB 1188 (Chapter 216): approved medications; scheduling; prescription authority**
Conforms Arizona's controlled substance schedules with federal scheduling by providing that any compound, mixture or preparation approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and scheduled or rescheduled by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration automatically receives the same classification under Arizona law and may be prescribed unless classified as a Schedule I substance.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1193 (Chapter 155): personal identifying information; disclosure; prohibition**
Prohibits the Department of Health Services (DHS) from selling or disclosing personal identifying information of a licensee or certificate holder, including an emergency medical care technician, for commercial purposes, unless certain conditions apply.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1235 (Chapter 159): EMS reciprocity; compact.**
Adopts the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact (Compact), allowing emergency medical service (EMS) personnel, such as emergency medical technicians, advanced emergency medical technicians and paramedics, in participating states to obtain licensure in any other Compact state. Establishes the Interstate Commission for EMS Personnel Practice and outlines membership, responsibilities and duties.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1242 (Chapter 160): mental health; hearings; audiovisual technology**
Revises procedures related to court-ordered mental health evaluation and treatment, including the use of virtual hearings and testimony. Establishes requirements for coordination of care between mental health treatment agencies and secure behavioral health residential facilities. Makes the provisions relating to the coordination of care changes retroactive to April 30, 2026.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1243 (Chapter 161): court-ordered treatment; guardians; notice; release**
Includes guardians of court-ordered patients in the list of individuals the medical director of a mental health agency must notify before a patient's release or discharge. Modifies the information included on a demand for notice. Establishes procedures to allow the guardian of a patient to submit an application to continue court-ordered treatment.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1247 (Chapter 14 E): NOW: assisted living; occupants**
An emergency measure that prescribes occupancy requirements for individuals living with a resident in an assisted living center or home and who do not receive supervisory, personal or directed care services.

Effective: April 6, 2026

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**SB 1253 (Chapter 163): safe haven providers; hospital deliveries**
Permits a parent or parent's agent to surrender a newborn infant at the hospital of birth without requiring the parent to leave or be discharged from the hospital after the birth and subsequently return to complete the surrender.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1318 (Chapter 169): mammography results; notice; repeal**
Removes the requirement that health care institutions and facilities provide specified notice to a patient identified as having extremely dense breasts.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1345 (Chapter 171): NOW: health facilities; licensure; surveys**
Contains timelines for Department of Health Services (DHS) licensure of health care institutions and the review and submittal of third-party accreditation survey results for certification. Authorizes DHS to set initial licensure inspection fees by rule.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1399 (Chapter 225): prepaid capitated contractors; cost reports**
Requires the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, by December 1 annually, to submit a report to specified officials detailing the percentage of funds expended by all nongovernment entities with prepaid capitated contracts, including expenditures for direct provider payments and administrative costs by category, during the preceding contract year.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1446 (Chapter 176): social workers; documentation; dialysis centers**
Prohibits the Department of Health Services from requiring a social worker employed by an outpatient dialysis treatment center to document a patient's progress more frequently than on a quarterly basis, unless required by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to meet the needs of the patient.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1477 (Chapter 178): assisted living facilities; referral agents**
Establishes disclosure and insurance requirements for assisted living referral agencies.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1494 (Chapter 180): NOW: health insurance; patient steering; prohibition**
Prohibits health care providers, health care institutions and drug manufacturers from covering enrollees' insurance premiums or directing enrollees to switch plans based on their health condition and establishes associated criminal penalties.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1496 (Chapter 181): DCS; policies; procedures**
Modifies Department of Child Safety (DCS) policies and procedures relating to the placement and care of children in DCS custody, including federal benefit management, placement reporting and search requirements, missing child notification procedures and the standard of proof for child abuse or neglect determinations.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1561 (Chapter 182): assisted living; notice; study committee**
Requires assisted living facility discharge or eviction notices to include a statement of the resident's rights. Establishes the Vulnerable Adult System Study Committee and outlines its membership, duties and reporting requirements.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1564 (Chapter 183): electronic monitoring; long-term care**
Requires assisted living facilities and nursing care institutions to: 1) provide the Department of Health Services, by December 1, 2026, or upon initial licensure, with their policies governing the use of electronic monitoring devices and other monitoring technology in resident rooms, personal spaces and common areas; and 2) report any subsequent policy changes.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1630 (Chapter 237): NOW: enhanced residential treatment; SMI**
Establishes a three-year Seriously Mentally Ill Enhanced Residential Treatment Pilot Program within the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System to provide, with federal approval, enhanced residential treatment services for adults who are determined to be seriously mentally ill, operated by and administered through contractors. Outlines coverage, eligibility, capacity and reporting requirements.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1631 (Chapter 185): DCS; sexual abuse allegations; interviews**
Requires the Department of Child Safety (DCS) child abuse and neglect investigation protocols to mandate that a trained forensic interviewer conduct a forensic interview with the child within 72 hours of receiving a sexual abuse allegation, unless DCS demonstrates good cause for a delay.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1668 (Chapter 74): NOW: legal decision-making; decedent; authorization**
Specifies a parent is responsible for making funeral and disposition arrangements for a deceased minor unless legal decision-making authority has been awarded or a parenting plan designates which parent has final decision-making authority for the child.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1713 (Chapter 241): NOW: independent testing; treatment; pharmacists**
Allows a pharmacist to independently test and treat eligible persons for certain medical conditions. Requires the Arizona State Board of Pharmacy to develop a statewide written protocol regarding the independent authority. Establishes the Independent Testing and Treatment Advisory Committee to assist with developing those protocols.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1814 (Chapter 189): substance use disorder treatment; committee**
Creates the Substance Use Disorder Treatment Standards and Oversight Study Committee (Study Committee) to: 1) assess substance use disorder specialty care programs and governance; 2) identify gaps in access and implementation; 3) establish standards; and 4) investigate funding needs to implement recommended reforms. Outlines Study Committee membership, duties and reporting requirements.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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**SB 1821 (Chapter 190): DCS; training; child placement; management**
Makes modifications to the Department of Child Safety's oversight, audit and placement procedures. Prescribes training requirements for child safety workers.

Effective: September 12, 2026

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# Vetoed Bills

**HB 2206/SB 1233 (Vetoed): SNAP; error rate; forensic audit**
Requires the Department of Economic Security, by December 30, 2030, to reduce the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program payment error rate to no more than three

percent. Contains reporting requirements and procedures for corrective action by the Auditor General.

Click here for the Governor's veto letter.

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**HB 2322 (Vetoed): NOW: DCS; investigations; interviews; recording**
Directs the Department of Child Safety, if federal grant funding for recording child safety interviews is enacted, to: 1) record, by audio or video, any interview conducted with a child who is the subject of an investigation; and 2) apply for federal funding grants to support implementation.

Click here for the Governor's veto letter.

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**HB 2396/SB 1368 (Vetoed): SNAP; allowed purchases; waiver**
Tasks the Director of the Department of Economic Security to request a waiver from the U.S. Department of Agriculture granting the authority to restrict the purchase of specified noneligible foods using Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits.

Click here for the Governor's veto letter.

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**HB 2796/SB 1236 (Vetoed): AHCCCS; enrollment verification; presumptive eligibility**
Effective January 1, 2027, establishes enrollment verification requirements for the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System to confirm member eligibility and standards for qualified hospitals to make presumptive eligibility determinations.

Click here for the Governor's veto letter.

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**SB 1002/HB 2797 (Vetoed): SNAP; TANF; public welfare; verification**
Outlines evaluation and verification requirements for the Department of Economic Security to confirm eligibility for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits.

Click here for the Governor's veto letter.

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**SB 1051/HB 2689 (Vetoed): hospitals; patient immigration status; reporting**
Requires hospitals that accept payment from the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System to include on patient admission forms a place to indicate citizenship status. Establishes quarterly reporting requirements relating to this requirement.

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**SB 1095 (Vetoed): gender transition; minors; prohibitions**
Effective April 1, 2027, establishes prohibitions on gender transition procedures and referrals provided by physicians or other health professionals to individuals under 18 years old.

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**SB 1124 (Vetoed): health boards; evaluations; notice**
Outlines requirements for health profession regulatory boards when ordering psychological or psychiatric evaluations of health professionals.

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**SB 1171 (Vetoed): NOW: fingerprinting; behavioral health facilities**
Requires, as a condition of licensure for specified behavioral health facilities, each applicant, licensee and owner to be a U.S. citizen or a lawful permanent resident of the U.S. and have a valid level I fingerprint clearance card.

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**SB 1214 (Vetoed): NOW: stems cells; regenerative therapy**
Establishes regulations for the use of stem cell and regenerative therapies that are not approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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**SB 1233 (Vetoed): administrative deficiencies; cure period**
Allows the Department of Health Services, the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System or the Department of Economic Security to take disciplinary action or enforcement action against a contracted or licensed facility if identified as having only administrative deficiencies and the agency grants the facility 72 hours to cure the deficiencies.

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**SB 1331/HB 2442 (Vetoed): SNAP; mandatory employment and training..**
Requires the Department of Economic Security to require able-bodied adults who are under 60 years of age and receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits to participate in a mandatory employment and training program unless the person meets the outlined exemptions.

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**SB 1334/HB 2448 (Vetoed): SNAP; work requirement waivers; exemptions.**
Prohibits the Department of Economic Security (DES) from seeking, applying, accepting or renewing any waiver of work requirement for able-bodied adults without dependents unless it is required by federal law or authorized by state law. Restricts DES from exercising the state's option to provide any exemptions from the federal work requirement unless authorized by state law.

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