



<b>Department of Human Services</b>			
<b>Division of Services for People with Disabilities</b>			
Bill Title/Sponsor	Highlights	Position	Status
Appropriations: Additional Needs and Youth Aging out.	The program provides for the additional needs of youth already in services. This is the yearly request to cover additional growth. "Youth" refers to youth in DCFS who are aging out and move into DSPD services.	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>
Appropriations: Community Based Employment	This is a program to help people with disabilities who are interested in finding competitive and integrated, community based employment. Not only helping them find jobs but also providing a needs assessment and Discovery. \$2,000,000	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>
Rate Increase for Support	Funded but below level requested	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>
SB. 44/ Hemmert/Thurston Limited Supports Waiver	Clarifies that any money allocated for the limited support waiver - which will offer services like family support, behavior support, and supported employment - is only to be used to provide the services offered through the waiver to individuals served by the waiver; eliminates the ability to use 15% of new waiting list funding for respite	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>
SB 140 Senator Harper Caregiver Compensation Amendments	Requires the Department of Health to apply for a waiver allowing a spouse of a home and community-based services waiver recipients to be paid for providing "extraordinary care;" extraordinary care will be defined in rule	<b>Support</b>	<b>Failed</b>

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<b>Department of Health</b>			
Bill Title/Sponsor	Highlights	Position	Status
Appropriations: Baby Watch Early Intervention	Funding to support caseload growth	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>
<u>HB 13/</u> Barlow, Stuart Children’s Hearing Aid Program Amendments	Extends the repeal date for the Children's Hearing Aid Program from 2020 to 2025	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>
<u>HB 210</u> Rep Ward Children’s Health Insurance Amendments	Requires Medicaid and the Children’s Health Insurance Program to allow automatic payment of premiums; requires Medicaid to share some data with health plans to make renewal easier; and asks the federal government for permission to allow continuous eligibility for certain kids	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed Funding reduced but should be sufficient funding for children birth through 5.</b>
HB 86 Rep. Craig Hall Adult Autism Treatment Program	Establishes a fund to receive donations for a grant program offering funding for Applied Behavioral Analysis, and possibly other services, to individuals older than 22 with significant needs related to an Autism Spectrum Disorder	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>
HB 106 Rep. Perry Rare Disease Advisory Council	Creates an advisory council to give the legislature and state agencies recommendations to improve the care and services for Utahn’s with rare diseases	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>
HB 207 Rep. Thurston Insulin Access Amendments	Makes it easier to refill and renew prescriptions; caps the co-pay at \$30 every 30 days; creates a discount purchase program	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>

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HB 161 Rep. Owens Audiology Speech Language Pathology Interstate Compact	Authorizes the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing to make rules to implement the Audiology and Speech Language Pathology Interstate compact	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>
HB369 Rep Eliason Medicaid Amendments	Prohibits the Department of Health from approving a new bed if it increases the total capacity of the Intermediate Care Facility for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities system	<b>Support</b>	<b>Failed</b>
HB 411 Rep Stoddard Assault against Healthcare Providers Amendments	Makes it a 3 <sup>rd</sup> degree felony to knowingly and intentionally assault a “medical services worker” performing emergency or life-saving duties. “Medical services worker” includes a mental health worker	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Failed</b>
HB 442 Rep Thurston Children’s Hearing Aid Program Modifications	Requires a family who makes more than 150% FPL to pay for a portion of their child’s hearing aids in the form of loan that accrues interest	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Failed</b>
<b>Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health</b>			
Bill Title/Sponsor	Highlights	Position	Status
HB 35/ Eliason Mental Health Treatment Access	Requires the Forensic Mental Health Planning Council, in consultation with the Utah Substance Abuse and Mental Health Advisory Council, to study the need for more adult beds at the Utah State Hospital, the capacity of the community mental-health system to serve those transitioning from inpatient settings, and the resources needed to support them; creates an additional assertive community treatment team; and	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>

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	provides housing assistance to individuals transitioning from the USH		
SB 68 Weiler Mental Health Counselor Licensing Amendment	The bill amends provisions relating to the licensure of a clinical mental health counselor	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>
HB 342 Rep King Mental Health Insurance Requirements	Requires insurance plans offering a mental health benefit to place limitations on the amount, duration, or scope of treatment that are no stricter than those on medical or surgical benefits. Also requires insurance plans. Also requires plans to report on their compliance with state and federal parity laws.	<b>Support</b>	<b>Failed</b>
HB 323 Rep Eliason School Mental Health Funding Amendments	With parental permission, a school district may screen a student for mental health needs and alert a parent to available resources	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>
<b>Bills</b>			
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<b>HB 366</b> <b>Rep Thurston</b> Utah Alternative Dispute Process for ADA	Gives an individual the option of informally letting a business owner know of a possible violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act; gives the business owner 120 days or more to get an assessment and address the issue	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Passed</b>
SB 39 Sen. Anderegg Affordable Housing Amendments	Among other things, provides \$10 million in one-time money for the construction of affordable units between 40-60% of area median income.	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>

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<b>Education</b>			
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<b>HB 332 Rep Schultz Special Needs Scholarship Amendment</b>	<b>The bill creates the special needs opportunity scholarship program and related income tax credits.</b>	<b>oppose</b>	<b>Governor Vetoed</b>
<b>Resolutions</b>			
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<u>HCR 4/</u> Potter, Val  Concurrent Resolution Encouraging Cultural Intelligence and Linguistic Competence	Encourages state and community health and human services agencies and organizations to assess, promote, support the increased capacity of staff to work with individuals with diverse backgrounds and experiences	<b>Support</b>	<b>Failed</b>
HCR3 Suzanne Harrison	School Districts and Charter schools to consider the benefits and consequences of a later start to the school day for high school students	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>
HR 3 House resolution urging the activation of closed captioning in public venues	In recognition of the difficulty many deaf or hard-of-hearing individuals experience accessing news and information, urges public venues to activate closed captioning when televisions or other monitors are in use.	<b>Support</b>	<b>Passed</b>