

POMA BILL TRACKING

Following are some bills POMA is tracking and recently saw action and are being shared in the January 5, 2024 issue of *Under the Dome*.



HB1881 (T) - An Act amending the act of April 17, 2016 (P.L.84, No.16), known as the Medical Marijuana Act, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in medical marijuana organizations, providing for additional dispensary permits authorized; and, in administration, providing for available licenses.

Sponsor - Rep. Donna Bullock (D)

Summary

(PN 2361) Amends the Medical Marijuana Act, in preliminary provisions, further providing for definitions; in medical marijuana organizations, providing for additional dispensary permits authorized; and, in administration, providing for available licenses. Defines disadvantaged business, diverse business and small business. Adds a section to provide that the department shall issue an additional dispensary permit in each region established under section 603 (d) to an applicant that is a disadvantaged business, a diverse business or a small business. Provides that the department shall publish a list of the surrendered or revoked licenses under this chapter on its publicly accessible website no later than Dec. 5 of each year. Asserts that the department shall accept applications for the licenses that appear on the list under paragraph (1), submitted by an applicant that is a disadvantaged business, a diverse business or a small business, no later than Jan. 15 of each year. Effective in 120 days.

HB1882 (T) - An Act amending Title 63 (Professions and Occupations (State Licensed)) of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes, in powers and duties, further providing for civil penalties.

Sponsor - Rep. Frank Burns (D)

Summary

(PN 2437) Amends Title 63 (Professions and Occupations (State Licensed)), in powers and duties, further providing for civil penalties. Provides that licensing boards and licensing commissions shall have the power to rescind a license, registration, certification or permit issued by the professional or occupational licensing board or licensing commission where there is probable cause that the license, registration, certification or permit was issued based on documentation provided by or on behalf of the applicant that was found to be false or fraudulent. Asserts that the licensing board or licensing commission shall provide at least 10 days' notice of the rescission of the license, registration, certification or permit and shall offer the applicant the opportunity to demonstrate that the license, registration, certification or permit was not issued based on false or fraudulent documentation at a post-rescission hearing before the appropriate licensing board or licensing commission, which shall occur within 20 days of the rescission. Prohibits certain recessions. Effective immediately. (Prior Printer Number(s): 2363) (PN 2363) Amends Title 63 (Professions and Occupations (State Licensed)), in powers and duties, further providing for civil penalties. Provides that licensing boards and licensing commissions shall have the power to rescind a license, registration, certification or permit issued by the professional or occupational licensing board or licensing commission where there is probable cause that the license, registration, certification or permit was issued based on documentation provided by or on behalf of the applicant that was found to be false or fraudulent. Asserts that the licensing board or licensing commission shall provide at least 10 days' notice of the rescission of the license, registration, certification or permit and shall offer the applicant the opportunity to demonstrate that the license, registration, certification or permit was not issued based on false or

fraudulent documentation at a post-recission hearing before the appropriate licensing board or licensing commission. Effective immediately.

HB1888 (T) - A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing for personal reproductive liberty.

Sponsor - Rep. Danielle Friel Otten (D)

Summary

(PN 2144) A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, providing that each individual has a fundamental right to exercise personal reproductive liberty to choose, or refuse to prevent, continue or end a pregnancy, as well as utilize contraceptives, engage in fertility care, without discrimination. Prohibits the state from denying, burdening, or infringing upon the right unless justified by a compelling state interest achieved by the least restrictive means. A Joint Resolution proposing integrated amendments to the Constitution of Pennsylvania Constitutional amendments require approval in two consecutive legislative sessions and then approval by the voters through a referendum.

HB1897 (T) - An Act providing for the licensure or registration of tattoo artists, guest tattoo artists, tattoo establishments and temporary establishments; regulating the practice of tattooing; imposing fees; providing for inspections by Department of Health; and imposing administrative and criminal penalties.

Sponsor - Rep. Abby Major (R)

Summary

(PN 2381) The Tattoo Practice Act provides for the licensure or registration of tattoo artists, guest tattoo artists, tattoo establishments and temporary establishments; regulates the practice of tattooing; imposes fees; provides for inspections by Department of Health (DOH); and imposes administrative and criminal penalties. Specifies definitions. Asserts that an individual may not tattoo the body of any human being in the commonwealth unless the individual is licensed as a tattoo artist or registered as a guest tattoo artist. Provides that an individual seeking licensure as a tattoo artist shall apply to the department in a format specified by the department and details what information the application under this subsection shall include. Provides for education courses and examinations. Provides for change of address, registration, and renewal and reregistration. Asserts that a tattoo artist license or guest tattoo artist registration issued by the department under this section shall not be transferable. Prohibits an individual from tattooing the body of a human being in this commonwealth unless the individual is located at a licensed tattoo establishment or temporary establishment. Prohibits an individual from operating a tattoo establishment or temporary establishment in this commonwealth unless the establishment is licensed under this section. Further provides for licensure. Specifies a temporary establishment shall meet the same requirements for licensure as a tattoo establishment. Provides for practice requirements of tattoo establishments and temporary establishments. Authorizes DOH to inspect and investigate each tattoo establishment or temporary establishment as necessary. Details that the department shall inspect a tattoo establishment at least once before the establishment performs tattoo services. Establishes that the department shall annually inspect 20 percent of all tattoo establishments in this commonwealth on a randomized basis. Directs the department to inspect a temporary establishment before and during a convention or similar event. Provides for disciplinary actions and penalties. Specifies the acts a person engages in which would be committing a misdemeanor of the second degree. Provides for minor children and for exception. Asserts that nothing in that act shall preempt a local ordinance or rule that imposes additional requirements on tattoo establishments, temporary establishments, tattoo artists, guest tattoo artists or the practice of tattooing than specified under this act. Provides for the applicability to medical or dental purposes and animals. Effective in 60 days.

HB1918 (T) - An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in casualty insurance, further providing for reimbursement for diabetic supplies.

Sponsor - Rep. Liz Hanbidge (D)

Summary

(PN 2450) Amends the Insurance Company Law, in casualty insurance, further providing for reimbursement for diabetic supplies. Removes language providing for the Fraternal Benefit Societies Code and replaces it with other provision. Provides that equipment and supplies shall include blood glucose monitors, including glucose monitors, monitor supplies, insulin, injection aids, syringes, insulin infusion devices, pharmacological agents for controlling blood sugar and orthotics. Effective in 60 days.

HB1931 (T) - An Act providing for a long-term care medical director registry; and imposing duties on the Department of Health and the Department of Human Services.

Sponsor - Rep. Kristin Marcell (R)

Summary

(PN 2463) The Long-Term Care Medical Director Registry and Communication Act provides for a long-term care medical director registry; and imposes duties on the Department of Health (DOH) and the Department of Human Services (DHS). Provides definitions for department, disaster emergency, facility and medical director. Establishes a medical director registry. Provides the department and the DHS will collect information for inclusion in the registry as a component of the inspection. Provides contact information and proof of completion of a certified medical director course, if applicable will be collected for the medical director. Provides the registry will be available to the department, the DHS and a facility. Provides for utilization during disaster emergencies relating to public health or other public health emergencies and when there is no disaster declaration relating to public health emergencies. Effective in 60 days.

HB1944 (T) - An Act amending the act of May 17, 1921 (P.L.682, No.284), known as The Insurance Company Law of 1921, in casualty insurance, further providing for coverage for mammographic examinations and breast imaging.

Sponsor - Rep. Gina H. Curry (D)
