South Dakota Pharmacists Legislative Report
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HB 1057 This legislation appropriates $260,000 to the Department of Health to reimburse eligible healthcare professionals who have complied with the requirements of the Rural Healthcare Facility Recruitment Assistance Program. This legislation is brought forth each year. Signed by the Governor. SDPhA’s Position: Monitor

HB 1058 This bill clarifies the Department of Health’s authority pertaining to communicable disease control in light of the Ebola situation and clarifies the department’s authority to seek a temporary restraining order to enforce a public health intervention order. The bill also carries an emergency clause, which would allow it to become effective immediately upon passage and the Governor’s signature. Signed by the Governor. SDPhA’s Position: Monitor

HB 1059 allows authorized entities access to immunization information in certain circumstances. This bill would continue to allow schools and licensed daycares to access the Department of Health SDIIS directly to check immunization status of students to ensure they are meeting school entry immunization requirements. The change would not impact the right of a parent/guardian to sign a refusal for immunization information to be shared. Delivered to the Governor.

HB 1060 make an appropriation of $381,768 to reimburse certain family physicians, dentists, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners who have complied with the requirements of the recruitment assistance program and to declare an emergency. Signed by the Governor. SDPhA’s Position: Monitor

HB 1078 Titled adopt the South Dakota Nonprofit Corporation Act. The Association has concerns with certain sections of this bill regarding Section 40 (member can be liable for debts) and Section 89 (director responsible for distributions). SDPhA will oppose in current form. Amended in House State Affairs. TABLED.

HB 1080 This bill authorizes the use of investigational drugs that have completed phase I trials to be used by terminally ill patients under certain circumstances (Right to Try). Delivered to the Governor. SDPhA’s Position: Monitor

HB 1169 is a placeholder bill for medical services. TABLED. SDPhA’s position: Monitor

HB 1229 revise provisions related to the release of medical waste. Signed by the Governor. SDPhA’s Position: Monitor

SB 14 provide for the possession and administration of opioid antagonists (Naloxone) by trained first responders for the treatment of drug overdoses, provided there is a standing order through a licensed physician. Signed by the Governor. SDPhA’s Position: Monitor

SB 59 This bill establishes a state debt collection office. Senate Commerce & Energy – TABLED. SDPhA’s Position: Opposed in original form.

SB 61 is the annual bill sought by the Department of Health to place certain substances on the controlled substances schedule. Signed by the Governor. SDPhA’s Position: Monitor
SB 101 This legislation establishes certain provisions regarding cancer treatment medication (oral chemo) coverage by insurance companies. Delivered to the Governor. SDPhA’s Position: Monitor

SB 118 requires health carriers to provide “enhanced” information to enrollees. Signed by the Governor. SDPhA’s Position: Monitor

SB 141 is a placeholder bill for medical services. TABLED. SDPhA’s Position: Monitor

SB 147 is a placeholder bill for Medicaid expansion. Senate Appropriations - TABLED. SDPhA’s Position: Monitor

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