

SB 45 (CADC Supervision) 1.31

Bill Number: [SB 45](#)

Bill Name: Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor Supervision

Bill Sponsors: Senator Krawiec (R-31), Senator Burgin (R-12), Senator Corbin (R-50)

Movement: Referred to Rules

Executive Summary: Would remove involved supervision requirement for Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselors & Certified Criminal Justice Addictions Professionals.

Detailed Summary:

- Supervision of a CADC would be required to be supervised for 1 hour to every 40 hours of practice for their first two years and would still require a contract.
- After two years of practice, the supervision would go from 1 hour to every 80 hours of practice.
- After 4 years of practice, the ratio would be 1 hour for every 160 hours of practice.
- No CJAC would no longer be required to submit a board approved supervision contract.

SB 46 (Billing Transparency) 1.31

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

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Bill Number: [SB 46](#)

Bill Name: Medical Billing Transparency

Bill Sponsors: Senator Krawiec (R-31), Senator Burgin (R-12), Senator Corbin (R-50)

Movement: Referred to Rules

Executive Summary: Would prevent surprise billing for out-of-network healthcare providers that are in-network with an individual's health benefit plan.

Detailed Summary:

- In definition of "health care provider" applies to all physicians in chapter 90 of general statutes, the bill specifically mentions it applies to anesthesia, emergency services, pathology, radiology, any assistance to physician.
- Requires written notice to be given to an insured person that has scheduled an appointment a health service facility that includes two things:
 - All of the providers at the health care facility that are rendering services that are not in-network with the insureds coverage.
 - The estimated cost to the insured of the covered services being given by out of network providers.

- The notice must be given at least 72 hours before service is provided, or the day of if there is not enough time before the insured's appointment. If emergency services are rendered, the insured must be notified asap.

SB 47 (PA Team Based Care) 1.31

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Bill Number: [SB 47](#)

Bill Name: PA Team-Based Practice

Bill Sponsors: Senator Krawiec (R-31), Senator Burgin (R-12), Senator Corbin (R-50)

Movement: Referred to Rules

Executive Summary: Would change supervision of PAs by physicians and changes to the licensure of physician assistants, if the PA is working in a team-based environment.

Detailed Summary:

- Defines team-based practice as one of the following:
 - A medical practice that is owned by one or more physician, who are licensed and practice regularly, the physicians and PAs who work there must work in the same clinical practice area.
 - Hospitals, clinics, nursing homes and other health facilities with active credentialing
 - Does not include any practice that "specializes pain management".
- PAs working in team-based practice will not be required to submit a supervising physician to the Board.
- PAs without supervision, practicing instead in a team-based environment, must meet the following conditions:
 - Practice in one of the settings required above.
 - 4,000 hours of clinical practice and 1,000 of clinical practice in said specialist.
 - Submit the above bullets to the board for approval.
- PAs would be responsible for the care they provide, and degrees of collaborations would need to be determined.
- PAs practicing around surgery will always be supervised.
- PAs shall clearly designate their credentials in all settings.
- PAs may compound and dispense drugs with supervision of a physician, but team-based PAs can write prescriptions without approval from a physician.
- PAs in team-based settings can also order diagnostics without approval.
- PAs can sign death certificates.

- PAs cannot give final interpretations of diagnostic imaging (MRIs, CT, PET).
- PAs with certification can give sonograms.
- PAs can be the main person responsible for women after giving birth.

SB 48 (Repeal CON) 1.31

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Bill Number: [SB 48](#)

Bill Name: Repeal Certificate of Need Laws

Bill Sponsors: Senator Krawiec (R-31), Senator Burgin (R-12), Senator Corbin (R-50)

Movement: Referred to Rules

Executive Summary: Would repeal all of North Carolina's Certificate of Need Laws.

Detailed Summary:

- Essentially deletes Article 9 of Chapter 131 of the General Statutes, which is the article that governs certificate of need.
- The rest of the redlining in the bill deletes all mention of Article 9 or legal reference to CON.
- The bill essentially leaves decision making and licensing approval up to boards and commissions including DHHS, but the statutory authority of approvals isn't very clear in the bill.
- No additions to any system to replace CON, just removals and adding some definitions on healthcare facilities and hospice.

SB 49 (Parents Bill of Rights) 1.31

Tuesday, January 31, 2023

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Bill Number: [SB 49](#)

Bill Name: Parents' Bill of Rights

Bill Sponsors: Senator Galey (R-25), Senator Lee (R-7), Senator Barnes (R-11)

Movement: Passed Education, referred to Health

Executive Summary: Would give parents explicit rights to monitor/review documents on their children's healthcare, education, religion.

Detailed Summary (with healthcare focus):

- Make all health care decisions for their child.
- Access and review all medical records of their child, except in cases of abuse or neglect.
- Bans curriculum for kindergarten through fourth grade on “gender identity, sexual activity, or sexuality.”
- Parent must consent or withhold consent for participation in reproductive health and safety education programs.
- Parents would have the right to seek a medical or religious exemption from immunization requirements.
- Can prohibit the creation, sharing, or storage of a child's blood or DNA of a child without written parental consent.
- Notifications of student physical and mental health:
 - The parent shall be notified of any healthcare offered at school and shall have to give written consent to each specific service and access to all health records.
 - Any health of well-being questionnaire for K-3rd will be sent to the parent, and consent first given for the questionnaire.
 - Notice of changes to mental or physical health and requiring these notifications from school staff
 - Prior to any changes in the name or pronoun used for a student in school records or by school personnel, notice to the parent of the change.
- Any health care practitioner shall not provide care without written approval from their parent (which includes adoptive and legal guardians).
- Any health care facility shall not provide care without written approval from their parent (which includes adoptive and legal guardians).
 - Does not apply to laboratory services unless there is direct contact with the minor.
- If any practitioner violates this, they are subject to a fine of \$5,000 and disciplinary action by their licensing board.

HB 35 (Opioids) 1.30

Monday, January 30, 2023

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Bill Number: [HB 35](#)

Bill Name: Expand Definition of Opioid Antagonist

Bill Sponsors: Sasser (R-67), Potts (R-81), Lambeth (R-75), Pare (R-37)

Movement: Referred to committee on Health

Executive Summary: Would expand the definition of opioid antagonist (naloxone) in North Carolina to include all opioid antagonists approved by the FDA for treatment of drug overdose.

Detailed Summary:

- Would expand the states definition of an opioid antagonist, allowing all FDA approved drugs for the treatment of overdose in NC.
- Would require needle exchange programs would also allow access to all opioid antagonist kits approved by the FDA for treatment of drug overdoses.
- The numbers of these opioid kits distributed by the program would be reported to DHHS every year.

HB 43 (Hormones/Minors) 2.1

Wednesday, February 1, 2023

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Bill Number: [HB 43](#)

Bill Name: Prohibition of Certain Hormone/Surgery/Minors

Bill Sponsors: Cleveland (R-14), Kidwell (R-79), Ward (R-5), Tyson (R-3)

Movement: Filed

Executive Summary: Would make it illegal for minors to receive any puberty blockers, cross-sex hormones, and other related treatments or procedures.

Detailed Summary:

- Would make it unlawful for any medical professional (includes physicians, PAs, nurses, psychiatrists, etc.) to engage in the following practices on a minor "to facilitate the minor's desire to present or appear in a manner that is inconsistent with the minor's sex" such as:
 - Performance of any surgery that would sterilize a patient.
 - Performance of a mastectomy.
 - Administering puberty blocking medication, doses of testosterone to members the female sex, or doses of estrogen to members of the male sex.
- If a medical professional is found to engage in these practices, they are subject to revocation of their license and discipline by their licensing Board and a fine of up to \$1,000 per occurrence.
- Does not apply to the decision of a parent or guardian of a minor born with genetic disorders of sexual development such as:
 - " External biological sex characteristics that are ambiguous."
 - "Physician has determined through genetic testing that the minor does not have the normal sex chromosome structure for male or female sexes"
- It would be unlawful for any health care provider, that receives State funds to furnish, provide, or perform these services aforementioned to a minor.