

# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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Welcome to the fifth issue of the 2012 Legislative Update with the 96th General Assembly. The *Legislative Update* will present a new bill by providing a summary description. When significant changes occur on the bill it will be summarized again. Any changes in bill status will be highlighted in red and an asterisk will be placed before the bill number.

- The *Legislative Update* issue number and current bill summary will be inserted each week along with the bill number, title, sponsor, and current status (includes the committee assigned, chair and vice chair of the committee). Online copies of the legislative updates will have a red hyperlink to take you to the description of the bill and sponsors. Appropriation bill links will have a purple hyperlink.
- The *Legislative Update* will also include an index to assist you in locating the bill's category.
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Bills are organized in the following categories:

- Assistive Technology
- Crime
- Education
- Employment
- Funding/Tax Relief
- Health Care and Personal Assistance
- Legal Rights and Responsibilities
- Mental Health
- Olmstead
- Safety/Prevention
- Services for people with Disabilities
- Other
- Appropriations

Note: When "incapacitated," "handicapped," appear in a bill description, it reflects the terminology of the legislation, not the Governor's Council on Disability.

## Abbreviations

HB.....	House of Representatives Bill
HA.....	House Amendment
HS.....	House Substitute
HR.....	House Resolution
HJR.....	House Joint Resolution
HCS.....	House Committee Substitute
SB.....	Senate Bill
SCA.....	Senate Committee Substitute
SA.....	Senate Amendment
SS.....	Senate Substitute
SR.....	Senate Resolution
SJR.....	Senate Joint Resolution
CCR.....	Conference Committee Substitute
CCS.....	Conference Committee Substitute
BC.....	Budget Control Committee

**ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY**

**HB 1436 - Newman** Issue 4  
 Adds an individual with mental disabilities to the list of people who must be afforded the same rights as those without disabilities in public places and the right to be accompanied by a service dog  
**Status:**  
 1/23/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/19/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**CRIME**

**\*HB 1317 - Riddle** Issue 3  
 Expands the crime of child abuse to include shaken baby syndrome  
**Status:**  
 2/7/12 Hearing Scheduled (H)  
 1/25/12 Referred to General Laws committee (H)  
 Chair: Franz, Vice Chair: Richardson  
 1/18/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/17/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**HB 1410 - Walton Gray** Issue 4  
 Allows certain inmates who become physically or mentally disabled, infirm, incompetent, or incapacitated to be released on parole if they are eligible for specified federal medical or financial benefits  
**Status:**  
 1/23/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/19/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**HB 1413 - Stream** Issue 4  
 Changes the elements of the crime of causing substantial injury or death to a service animal  
**Status:**  
 1/23/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/19/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**HB 1432 - Hoskins** Issue 4  
 Adds professional therapy dog to the definition of "service dog" as it relates to crimes against these animals or crimes of impersonating a disabled person  
**Status:**  
 1/23/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/19/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**HB 1515 - Schad** Issue 4  
 Changes the elements of the crime of elder abuse in the second degree and the crime of financial exploitation of an elderly or disabled person  
**Status:**  
 1/26/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/25/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**SB 537 - Chappelle-Nadal** Issue 1  
 Increases the penalty for the crime of harassment  
**Status:**  
 1/5/12 Second Read and Referred to Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence committee (S)  
 Chair: Goodman, Vice Chair: Schmitt  
 1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)  
 12/9/11 Pre-filed (S)

**\*SB 689 - Engler** Issue 4  
 Modifies provisions relating to crimes committed against the elderly and disabled  
**Status:**  
 2/2/12 Second Read and Referred to Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence committee (S)  
 Chair: Goodman, Vice Chair: Schmitt  
 1/24/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

**EDUCATION**

**HB 1229 - Curtman** Issue 2  
 Gives students at certain institutions of higher education the right to record public lectures that are presented in a classroom environment for personal use  
**Status:**  
 1/19/12 Referred to Higher Education committee (H) Chair: Thomson, Vice Chair: Wallingford  
 1/11/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/10/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**SB 595 - Kraus** Issue 1  
 Modifies eligibility requirements for members serving on a special education due process panel  
**Status:**  
 1/12/12 Second Read and Referred to Education committee (S) Chair: Pearce, Vice Chair: Nieves  
 1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)  
 1/3/12 Pre-filed (S)

**EMPLOYMENT****\*HB 1219 - Elmer** Issue 2

Modifies the law relating to the Missouri Human Rights Act and employment discrimination

**Status:**

2/1/12 Laid Over (H)

2/1/12 Taken Up for Perfection (H)

1/30/12 Reported Do Pass by committee (H)

1/30/12 Voted Do Pass by committee (H)

1/30/12 Executive Session Completed (H)

1/30/12 Executive Session Scheduled (H)

1/24/12 Referred to Rules – Pursuant to Rule 25(32)(f) committee (H) Chair: Diehl, Vice Chair: Funderburk

1/24/12 Reported Do Pass by committee (H)

1/23/12 Voted Do Pass by committee (H)

1/23/12 Executive Session Completed (H)

1/23/12 Hearing Completed (H)

1/23/12 Hearing Continued (H)

1/17/12 Hearing Began (H)

1/17/12 Hearing Scheduled (H)

1/11/12 Second Read and Referred to Workforce Development and Workplace Safety committee (H)

Chair: Fisher, Vice Chair: Brown

1/10/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**HB 1265 - Kander** Issue 2

Establishes the Veteran Workforce Act which requires the Office of Administration to develop rules and regulations ensuring a uniform hiring preference for veterans, disabled veterans, and their spouses

**Status:**

1/12/12 Second Read (H)

1/11/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**\*HB 1403 - Schatz** Issue 4

Modifies the law relating to workers' compensation

**Status:**

2/1/12 Referred to Workforce Development and Workplace Safety committee (H) Chair: Fisher, Vice Chair: Brown

1/23/12 Second Read (H)

1/19/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**\*SCS SB 572 - Dempsey** Issue 1

Modifies the law relating to workers' compensation

**Status:**

2/6/12 Formal Calendar S Bills for Perfection (S)

2/2/12 Reported from Committee to Floor (S)

1/17/12 SCS Voted Do Pass by committee (S)

1/11/12 Executive Session Scheduled (S)

1/10/12 Hearing Completed (S)

1/10/12 Hearing Scheduled (S)

1/5/12 Second Read and Referred to Small Business, Insurance and Industry committee (S)

Chair: Rupp, Vice Chair: Parson

1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

12/19/11 Pre-filed (S)

**\*SS SCS SB 592 - Lager** Issue 1

Modifies the law relating to the Missouri Human Rights Act and employment discrimination

**Status:**

2/6/12 Formal Calendar S Bills for Third Reading (S)

2/2/12 Referred to Ways and Means and Fiscal Oversight committee (S) Chair: Purgason, Vice Chair: Kraus

2/2/12 Reported Truly Perfected by Rules committee (S)

2/1/12 Perfected (S)

2/1/12 SS as Amended Adopted (S)

2/1/12 SA 1 to SS Offered and Adopted

2/1/12 SS Offered (S)

2/1/12 SA 3 Withdrawn (S)

2/1/12 Informal Calendar S Bills for Perfection (S)

2/1/12 Taken Up for Perfection (S)

1/25/12 Informal Calendar S Bills for Perfection (S)

1/25/12 SA 3 Offered (S)

1/25/12 SA 2 Adopted (S)

1/25/12 SSA 1 for SA 2 Offered and Defeated (S)

1/25/12 SA 2 Offered (S)

1/25/12 SA 1 Defeated (S)

1/25/12 Taken Up for Perfection (S)

1/25/12 Informal Calendar S Bills for Perfection (S)

1/23/12 SA 1 Pending (S)

1/23/12 Informal Calendar S Bills for Perfection (S)

1/23/12 SA 1 Offered (S)

1/23/12 Formal Calendar S Bills for Perfection (S)

1/17/12 Formal Calendar S Bills for Perfection (S)

1/12/12 Reported from Committee to Floor (S)

1/12/12 SCS Voted Do Pass by committee (S)

1/11/12 Executive Session Scheduled (S)  
 1/10/12 Hearing Completed (S)  
 1/10/12 Hearing Scheduled (S)  
 1/9/12 Second Read and Referred to Commerce,  
 Consumer Protection, Energy and the Environment  
 committee (S) Chair: Lager, Vice Chair: Lamping  
 1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)  
 1/3/12 Pre-filed (S)

### FUNDING/TAX RELIEF

**\*HB 1172 - Franz** Issue 1

Creates a tax credit for contributions to  
 developmental disability care providers and  
 modifies provisions of the residential treatment  
 agency tax credit program

#### Status:

1/26/12 Referred to Economic Development  
 committee (H) Chair: Zerr, Vice Chair: Jones  
 1/9/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/5/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**\*HB 1216 - McNeil** Issue 2

Increases the maximum annual grant amount that  
 the University of Missouri Board of Curators can  
 award for a research project on Alzheimer's disease  
 and related disorders

#### Status:

2/2/12 Referred to Higher Education committee (H)  
 Chair: Thomson, Vice Chair: Wallingford  
 1/10/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/9/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**\*HB 1278 - Long** Issue 2

Sunsets certain tax credits and creates a  
 developmental disability care provider tax credit

#### Status:

2/2/12 Referred to Children and Families  
 committee (H) Chair: Largent, Vice Chair Bahr  
 1/12/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/11/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**HB 1313 - Nolte** Issue 2

Limits the increase in assessed valuation of  
 residential property by the percentage of increase  
 in the federal Social Security benefits for the elderly

and disabled who own and live in their principal  
 residence

#### Status:

1/17/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/12/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**HB 1427 - Kratky** Issue 4

Authorizes an income tax credit for certain small  
 businesses who hire a person who is disabled or  
 recently discharged from a correctional facility

#### Status:

1/23/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/19/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**HB 1445 - Smith** Issue 4

Changes the funding mechanism for the disabled  
 home accessibility tax credit and extends the  
 sunset date to December 31, 2016

#### Status:

1/23/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/19/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**SB 481 - Stouffer** Issue 1

Creates a tax credit for contributions to  
 developmental disability care providers and  
 modifies provisions of the residential treatment  
 agency tax credit program

#### Status:

1/5/12 Second Read and Referred to Ways and  
 Means and Fiscal Oversight committee (S) Chair:  
 Purgason, Vice Chair: Kraus  
 1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)  
 12/1/11 Pre-filed (S)

**SB 482 - Stouffer** Issue 1

Increases the statutory award amount for  
 Alzheimer's disease research projects funded by the  
 University of Missouri Board of Curators

#### Status:

1/18/12 Voted Do Pass by committee (S)  
 1/11/12 Hearing Completed (S)  
 1/11/12 Hearing Scheduled (S)  
 1/5/12 Second Read and Referred to Education  
 committee (S) Chair: Pearce, Vice Chair: Nieves  
 1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)  
 12/1/11 Pre-filed (S)

**SB 531 - Lamping**

Issue 1

Modifies the low-income housing and historic preservation tax credit programs and requires any increase in revenue to be applied to a decrease in the individual income tax rate

**Status:**

1/19/12 Hearing Completed (S)

1/19/12 Hearing Scheduled (S)

1/5/12 Second Read and Referred to Ways and Means and Fiscal Oversight committee (S) Chair: Purgason, Vice Chair: Kraus

1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

12/8/11 Pre-filed (S)

**\*SB 708 - Wasson**

Issue 4

Extends the sunset on the residential dwelling accessibility tax credit and modifies the allocation of tax credit cap from another tax credit program to this program

**Status:**

2/2/12 Second Read and Referred to Ways and Means and Fiscal Oversight committee (S) Chair: Purgason, Vice Chair: Kraus

1/26/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

**\*SB 712 - Lamping**

Issue 4

Modifies the criteria for determining that is a child is a special needs child for the purposes of the special needs adoption tax credit

**Status:**

2/2/12 Second Read and Referred to Ways and Means and Fiscal Oversight committee (S) Chair: Purgason, Vice Chair: Kraus

1/26/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

**HEALTH CARE/PERSONAL ASSISTANCE****\*HB 1058 - Brattin**

Issue 1

Establishes Chloe's Law which, subject to appropriations, requires the newborn screening requirements to include pulse oximetry screenings

**Status:**

1/25/12 Hearing Completed (H)

1/25/12 Hearing Scheduled (H)

1/12/12 Referred to Health Care Policy committee (H) Chair: Sater, Vice Chair: Frederick

1/5/12 Second Read (H)

1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

12/9/11 Pre-filed (H)

**HB 1078 - Sater**

Issue 1

Authorizes the MO HealthNet Division to implement a statewide dental delivery system to ensure recipient participation and access to providers of dental services under MO HealthNet

**Status:**

1/5/12 Second Read (H)

1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

12/14/11 Pre-filed (H)

**HB 1087 - White**

Issue 1

Establishes the Adult Health Care Consent Act which provides for a priority of person who can make health care decisions for persons unable to consent

**Status:**

1/5/12 Second Read (H)

1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

12/19/11 Pre-filed (H)

**\*HB 1134 - Scharnhorst**

Issue 1

Limits the copayments, coinsurance, and office visit deductible charged by a health carrier for services of a physical therapist to the same amount as charged by the health carrier for a primary care physician

**Status:**

2/1/12 Referred to Small Business committee (H)

Chair: Scharnhorst, Vice Chair: Torpey

1/5/12 Second Read (H)

1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**\*HB 1188 - Allen**

Issue 2

Allows school nurses to use asthma related rescue medications on students experiencing asthma attacks

**Status:**

2/1/12 Hearing Completed (H)

2/1/12 Hearing Scheduled (H)

1/25/12 Referred to Health Care Policy committee (H) Chair: Sater, Vice Chair: Frederick

1/9/12 Second Read (H)

1/5/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**HB 1355 - Lichtenegger** **Issue 3**  
 Requires health carriers to reimburse a physical therapist in the same amounts as paid to a licensed physical therapist for rendering the same services regardless of the setting or venue

**Status:**

1/19/12 **Second Read** (H)  
 1/18/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**\*HB 1399 - Richardson** **Issue 4**  
 Requires the injection of therapeutic substances around the spine or spinal cord for the treatment of pain syndromes by certain methods be performed only by a licensed physician

**Status:**

2/2/12 **Referred to Professional Registration and Licensing committee** (H) Chair: Brandom, Vice Chair: Burlison  
 1/23/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/19/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**HB 1421 - Colona** **Issue 4**  
 Changes the laws regarding the classification of marijuana as a controlled substance and allows its use for medicinal purposes under certain conditions

**Status:**

1/23/12 **Second Read** (H)  
 1/19/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**HB 1533 - Schoeller**  
 Requires licensed chiropractors to be reimbursed under the MO HealthNet Program for providing services currently covered and within the scope of chiropractic practice

This act requires that licensed chiropractors be reimbursed under the MO HealthNet Program for services that are currently covered by MO HealthNet and within a chiropractor's scope of practice.

**Status:**

2/1/12 **Referred to Health Insurance committee** (H)  
 Chair: Molendorp, Vice Chair: Burlison  
 1/30/12 Second Read (H)  
 1/26/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**SB 511 - Schaaf** **Issue 1**

Provides that no amendments shall be made to the Missouri State Medicaid Plan without first obtaining approval from the Joint Committee on MO HealthNet

**Status:**

1/24/12 **Hearing Completed** (S)  
 1/24/12 Hearing Scheduled (S)  
 1/5/12 Second Read and Referred to Health, Mental Health, Seniors and Families committee (S)  
 Chair: Ridgeway, Vice Chair: Schaaf  
 1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)  
 12/2/11 Pre-filed (S)

**SB 536 - Chappelle-Nadal** **Issue 1**  
 Requires long-term care facilities to be encouraged to institute policies encouraging familial involvement in the well-being and support of its residents

**Status:**

1/5/12 **Second Read and Referred to Health, Mental Health, Seniors and Families committee** (S)  
 Chair: Ridgeway, Vice Chair: Schaaf  
 1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)  
 12/9/11 Pre-filed (S)

**SB 617 - Schaaf** **Issue 2**  
 Requires the Department of Social Services to promulgate rules specifying the eligibility process for the MO HealthNet Spenddown Program

**Status:**

1/26/12 **Second Read and Referred to Health, Mental Health, Seniors and Families committee** (S)  
 Chair: Ridgeway, Vice Chair: Schaaf  
 1/9/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

**\*SB 644 - Schaefer** **Issue 2**  
 Relating to insurance reimbursement for physical therapist services

**Status:**

2/2/12 **Second Read and Referred to Small Business, Insurance and Industry committee** (S)  
 Chair: Rupp, Vice Chair: Parson  
 1/11/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

**\*SB 682 - Dempsey** **Issue 3**

Mandates that injections around the spine under certain guidance techniques be performed by licensed physicians

**Status:**

2/2/12 Second Read and Referred to Health, Mental Health, Seniors and Families committee (S)

Chair: Ridgeway, Vice Chair: Schaaf

1/18/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

**\*SB 687 - Schmitt**

Issue 4

Requires copayments, coinsurance, and deductibles charged for physical therapist services to be no greater than those charged for the same services provided by primary care physicians or osteopaths

**Status:**

2/2/12 Second Read and Referred to Small Business, Insurance and Industry committee (S)

Chair: Rupp, Vice Chair: Parson

1/23/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

**LEGAL RIGHTS/RESPONSIBILITIES****\*HB 1104 - Schoeller**

Issue 1

Establishes photo identification requirements for voting

**Status:**

2/1/12 Laid Over (H)

2/1/12 Taken Up for Perfection (H)

1/30/12 Reported Do Pass by committee (H)

1/30/12 Voted Do Pass by committee (H)

1/30/12 Executive Session Completed (H)

1/30/12 Executive Session Scheduled (H)

1/24/12 Referred to Rules – Pursuant to Rule

25(32)(f) committee (H) Chair: Diehl, Vice Chair: Funderburk

1/24/12 Reported Do Pass by committee (H)

1/24/12 Voted Do Pass by committee (H)

1/24/12 Executive Session Completed (H)

1/24/12 Hearing Completed (H)

1/24/12 Hearing Scheduled (H)

1/5/12 Second Read and Referred to Elections

committee (H) Chair: Dugger, Vice Chair: Entlicher

1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

12/20/11 Pre-filed (H)

**\*SCS SB 442 - Stouffer**

Issue 1

Establishes photo identification requirements for voting

**Status:**

2/6/12 Formal Calendar S Bills for Perfection (S)

2/2/12 SCS Reported from Committee to Floor (S)

1/23/12 SCS Voted Do Pass by committee (S)

1/17/12 Hearing Completed (S)

1/17/12 Hearing Scheduled (S)

1/5/12 Second Read and Referred Financial and Governmental Organizations and Elections

committee (S) Chair: Engler, Vice Chair: Wasson

1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

12/1/11 Pre-filed (S)

**SCS SB 474 - Kraus**

Issue 1

Requires the Department of Social Services to take steps to mandate the use of photo identification for the food stamp program

**Status:**

1/18/12 SCS Voted Do Pass by committee

1/11/12 Hearing Completed (S)

1/11/12 Hearing Scheduled (S)

1/5/12 Second Read and Referred to Governmental Accountability committee (S) Chair: Lembke, Vice

Chair: Lager

1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

12/1/11 Pre-filed (S)

**\*SB 542 - Chappelle-Nadal**

Issue 1

Establishes a paper ballot as the official ballot

**Status:**

2/6/12 Hearing Scheduled (S)

1/5/12 Second Read and Referred Financial and Governmental Organizations and Elections

committee (S) Chair: Engler, Vice Chair: Wasson

1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

12/9/11 Pre-filed (S)

**MENTAL HEALTH****HB 1082 - Wells**

Issue 1

Changes to the definition of and education requirements for professional counseling (See Services category for bill summary)

**HB 1110 - Barnes**

Issue 1

Authorizes the establishment of veterans treatment courts to dispose of cases which stem from substance abuse or mental illness of military veterans or current military personnel

**Status:**

1/5/12 **Second Read** (H)

1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

12/21/11 Pre-filed (H)

**HB 1322 - Black****Issue 3**

Authorizes the Director of the Department of Corrections to establish, as a three-year pilot program, a mental health assessment process

**Status:**

1/18/12 **Second Read** (H)

1/17/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**HB 1456 - Black****Issue 4**

Creates a mental health assessment pilot program for criminal offenders

**Status:**

1/24/12 **Second Read** (H)

1/23/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**SB 518 - Engler****Issue 1**

Creates a mental health assessment pilot program for criminal offenders

**Status:**

1/5/12 **Second Read and Referred to Judiciary and Civil and Criminal Jurisprudence committee** (S)

Chair: Goodman, Vice Chair: Schmitt

1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

12/6/11 Pre-filed (S)

**\*SB 718 - Stouffer**

Modifies provisions relating to the Department of Mental Health Employment Disqualification Registry

This act modifies provisions relating to the Department of Mental Health Employment Disqualification Registry (EDR).

This act provides uniformity to all of the provisions relating to the EDR by specifying that such provisions apply to the following mental health facilities: any public or private facility, day program, residential facility, or specialized service operated,

licensed, certified, accredited, in possession of deemed status or funded by the Department of Mental Health by or to any mental health facility or mental health program in which people are admitted on a voluntary or involuntary basis or are civilly detained.

Current law requires the person disqualified from employment under the EDR to seek an exception to the disqualification through a written request to the director of the department no more than once every twelve months. This act changes the time line to no more than once every six months.

Any person placed on the EDR prior to August 28, 2012, may be removed from the registry by the director or designee if in the judgment of the director or designee a clear showing has been made, by written submission only, that the person will not commit any additional acts for which the person had originally been disqualified for or any other acts that would be harmful to a patient, resident, or client of a facility, program, or service.

Current law requires an applicant for a direct care position in any of the named mental health facilities to sign certain consent forms for a criminal record review and to disclose previous employment disqualifications. This act no longer restricts the requirement to just direct care positions.

Mental health facilities or mental health programs in which people are admitted on a voluntary basis or are civilly detained are included amongst the list of other Department of Mental Health facilities who are required to request a criminal background check and to check the employee disqualification registries from the Department of Mental Health, Department of Health and Senior Services and Department of Social Services for new employees who will have contact with clients, residents or patients. Any of these facilities that decline to employ or discharge a person who is disqualified under the provisions of this act shall be immune from suit by that person for the failure to employ or for the discharge of the person due to disqualification.

A provider is guilty of a Class A misdemeanor if the provider hires a person to hold any position knowing that such person has been disqualified under the provisions of this act.

Any employer who is required to discharge an employee because the employee was placed on the EDR after the date of hire shall not be charged for unemployment insurance benefits based on wages paid to the employee for work prior to the date of discharge.

Under current law, the Department of Mental Health is allowed to maintain the EDR. This act requires the department to do so. This act specifies the procedures for appealing a decision to have an employee placed on the EDR as well as delineating how the department determines the length of time the person's name shall appear on the EDR.

The department shall provide the EDR to other state and federal agencies upon request. The department may also provide the EDR to any of the mental health facilities falling under this act. The department may also provide the EDR to a recognized school of nursing, medicine, or other health profession for the purpose of determining whether students scheduled to participate in clinical rotations are included in the EDR.

**Status:**

2/2/12 Second Read and Referred to Health, Mental Health, Seniors and Families committee (S)  
Chair: Ridgeway, Vice Chair: Schaaf  
1/30/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

**OLMSTEAD**

\*HB 1077 - Wyatt Issue 1

Requires the Department of Mental Health to develop a transition plan for services of a resident of a state developmental disabilities facility to the most appropriate living setting

**Status:**

1/30/12 Hearing Completed (H)  
1/30/12 Hearing Scheduled (H)  
1/12/12 Referred to Special Standing Committee on Disability Services (H) Chair: Grisamore, Vice Chair: Houghton

1/5/12 Second Read (H)  
1/4/11 Introduced and First Read (H)  
12/14/11 Pre-filed (H)

SB 449 - Rupp

Issue 1

Requires the Department of Mental Health to develop a transition plan for services of residents of state developmental disabilities facilities to the most appropriate setting

**Status:**

1/24/12 Voted Do Pass by committee (S)  
1/19/12 Hearing Completed (S)  
1/19/12 Hearing Scheduled (S)  
1/5/12 Second Read and Referred to Health, Mental Health, Seniors and Families committee (S)  
Chair: Ridgeway, Vice Chair: Schaaf  
1/4/12 Introduced and First Read (S)  
12/1/11 Pre-filed (S)

**SAFETY/PREVENTION**

HB 1262 - Brown

Issue 2

Requires the State Board of Education to establish a coordinated health program board to develop a program on the prevention of student obesity, cardiovascular disease, and type II diabetes

1/12/12 Second Read (H)  
1/11/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

\*HB 1564 - Hummel

Specifies that any personal identifying information that is utilized in a voluntary registry of persons with health-related ailments to assist them during a disaster is not considered a public record

This act states that the names, addresses, social security numbers, and any other identifying information in a voluntary registry of those with health-related ailments to assist during an emergency or disaster should not be considered a public record. It allows for the information to be released to a law enforcement agency or public governmental body which provides emergency services.

**Status:**

1/31/12 Second Read (H)  
1/30/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**SB 743 - Brown**

Exempts motorcyclists age 21 and older from wearing a helmet when operating a motorcycle or motortricycle

This act exempts persons 21 years of age or older from wearing protective headgear when operating or riding motorcycles or motortricycles

**Status:**

2/2/12 Introduced and First Read (S)

**SERVICES****HB 1082 - Wells**

Issue 1

Specifies that licensed professional counseling includes the diagnosis of mental, emotional, and behavior disorders and allows the committee for professional counselors to require certain educational coursework

**Status:**

1/5/12 Second Read (H)

1/4/11 Introduced and First Read (H)

12/15/11 Pre-filed (H)

**\*HB 1518 - Grisamore**

Issue 4

Authorizes the licensure of provisionally licensed behavior analysts and assistant behavior analysts, and temporary licensed behavior analysts and assistant behavior analysts

**Status:**

2/6/12 Hearing Scheduled (H)

2/1/12 Referred to Special Standing Committee on Disability Services (H) Chair: Grisamore, Vice Chair: Houghton

1/26/12 Second Read (H)

1/25/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**\*HB 1522 - Meadows**

Issue 4

Authorizes the licensure of provisionally licensed behavior analysts and assistant behavior analysts, and temporary licensed behavior analysts and assistant behavior analysts

**Status:**

2/6/12 Hearing Scheduled (H)

2/1/12 Referred to Special Standing Committee on Disability Services (H) Chair: Grisamore, Vice Chair: Houghton

1/26/12 Second Read (H)

1/25/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**OTHER****HB 1407 - Walton Gray**

Issue 4

Establishes the Sickle Cell Disease Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding the impact of sickle cell disease on urban communities, examine existing services, and address any needs

**Status:**

1/23/12 Second Read (H)

1/19/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**\*HB 1545 - Kirkton**

Issue 4

Designates December fourth of each year as "PKS Day" in Missouri for awareness regarding Pallister-Killian Syndrome

**Status:**

1/30/12 Second Read (H)

1/26/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

**APPROPRIATIONS****HB 2014 - Silvey**

Appropriates money for supplemental purposes for several departments, offices of state government, payment of various claims for refunds, for persons, firms, corporations, other purposes, transfer money among funds

This act appropriates money to the Department of Mental Health to pay overtime to employees. It appropriates money to the Department of Health and Senior Services, Division of Senior and Disability Services for funding services under the MO HealthNet fee-for-service and managed care programs. It includes language stating that money should follow the individual and that consumers should have the right to choose from program options what meets their needs. It also appropriates money to the Department of Social Services, MO HealthNet Division for healthcare technology incentives and administration, for funding Medicare Part D Clawback payments, and for funding medical homes owned by hospitals.

**Status:**

2/2/12 Introduced and First Read (H)

