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A few notes about this report:
1. Bills are organized into specific telehealth "topic area".
2. The Fiscal Note (FN) Outlook: The left hand column indicates the bill’s Pre-Floor Score, and the right hand column indicates the bill's actual Floor Score of the last chamber it was in (either Senate or House).
3. Regulations are listed at the end in order of their publication date.
4. If you would like to learn more about any piece of legislation or regulation, the bill numbers and regulation titles are clickable and link out to additional information.

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#### Cross-State Licensing (9)

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**Title**
A bill for an act adopting the psychology interjurisdictional compact.

**Primary Sponsors**
Joe Mitchell

**Bill Summary:**
Enacts the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact.
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**Title**
A bill for an act establishing an emergency medical services personnel licensure interstate compact. (See HF 694.)

**Primary Sponsors**
Tom Jeneary

**Bill Summary:**
Adopts the emergency medical services interstate licensure compact.

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**Title**
Psychological interjurisdictional compact created, and money appropriated.

**Primary Sponsors**
Kelly Morrison, Joe Schomacker, Deb Kiel, Mike Freiberg, Hunter Cantrell, Mary Franson, Steve Elkins

**Bill Summary:**
Enacts the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact (PSYPACT).

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**Title**
Psychology interjurisdictional compact (PSYPACT) creation

**Primary Sponsors**
Andrew Mathews, John Hoffman, Michelle Benson, Matt Klein

**Bill Summary:**
Enacts the Psychology Interjurisdictional Compact (PSYPACT).

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**Title**
Adopt the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact

**Primary Sponsors**
Carol Blood

**Bill Summary:**
Adopts the Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology Interstate Compact and allows for the use of telehealth to facilitate access to audiology and speech-language pathology services.

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**Title**
Adopt the Physical Therapist Licensure Compact.

**Primary Sponsors**
Helene Duhamel, Nancy York

**Bill Summary:**
Adopts the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact.
Title
ratification of the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact, extending the time limit for emergency rule procedures, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, and granting rule-making authority. (FE)

Description
An Act to amend 49.45 (9r) (a) 7. b., 146.81 (1) (dg), 146.997 (1) (d) 4., 154.01 (3), 155.01 (7), 252.14 (1) (ar) 4e., 440.03 (9) (a) (intro.), 440.03 (9) (a) 2., 440.03 (13) (b) (intro.), 440.15, 446.01 (1v) (d), 448.50 (3) and (3m), 448.51, 448.56 (2), 448.565, 448.57 (2) (intro.), (c), (d) and (e), (4) and (5), 448.956 (1m) and (4), 450.10 (3) (a) 5., 451.02 (1) and 462.04; to repeal and recreate 440.03 (13) (b) (intro.) and 440.15; and to create 14.88, 440.03 (11m) (c) 2m., 448.50 (1n) and (1o), subchapter IX of chapter 448 [precedes 448.985] and 448.986 of the statutes;

Primary Sponsors
Rob Stafsholt, Steve Doyle, Gae Magnafici, Cody Horlacher, Jimmy Anderson, David Bowen, Barbara Dittrich, Mary Felzkowski, Rick Gundrum, Dan Knodl, Deb Kolste, Tony Kurtz, Warren Petryk, Mark Spreitzer, Chris Taylor, Ron Tusler, Nancy VanderMeer, Don Vruwink

Bill Summary:
Ratifies the Physical Therapy Licensure Compact.
Title
advanced practice registered nurses, extending the time limit for emergency rule procedures, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, and granting rule-making authority.
(FE)

Description
An Act to repeal 50.01 (1b), 77.54 (14) (f) 3., 118.2925 (1) (b), 146.89 (1) (r) 3., 252.01 (1c), 440.03 (13) (b) 42., 440.08 (2) (a) 50., 441.11 (title), 441.11 (1), 441.11 (3), 441.15, 441.16, 441.19, 448.035 (1) (a) and 450.01 (1m); to renumber and amend 253.13 (1), 255.06 (1) (d), 441.06 (7) and 441.11 (2); to amend 14.87 (title), 29.193 (1m) (a) 2. (intro.), 29.193 (2) b. 2., 29.193 (2) c. 3., 29.193 (2) cd. 2. b., 29.193 (2) cd. 2. c., 29.193 (2) e, 29.193 (3) (a), 45.40 (1g) (a), 46.03 (44), 50.08 (2), 50.09 (1) (a) (intro.), 50.09 (1) (f) 1., 50.09 (1) (h), 50.09 (1) (k), 50.49 (1) (b) (intro.), 51.41 (1d) (b) 4., 70.47 (8) (intro.), 77.54 (14) (f) 4., 97.59, 102.13 (1) (a), 102.13 (1) (b) (intro.), 1., 1. and 4., 102.13 (1) (d) 1., 2., 3. and 4., 102.13 (1) (d) 2., 2., 3. and 4., 102.13 (2) (a), 102.13 (2) (b), 102.17 (1) (d) 1. and 2., 102.29 (3), 102.42 (2) (a), 106.30 (1), 118.15 (3) (a), 118.25 (1) (a), 118.29 (1) (e), 118.2925 (3), 118.2925 (4) (c), 118.2925 (5), 118.343 (1) (c), 146.82 (3) (a), 146.89 (1) (r) 1., 146.89 (1) (r) 8., 146.89 (6), 252.07 (8) (a) 2., 252.07 (9) (c), 252.10 (7), 252.11 (2), 441.01 (7) (c) and 10.), 252.15 (3m) (d) 11. b. and 13., 5g (c), 5m (d) 2. and e) 2. and 3. and 7m (intro.) and (b), 252.16 (3) (c) (intro.), 252.17 (3) (c) (intro.), 252.07 (4) (d), 253.115 (4), 253.115 (7) (a) (intro.), 253.15 (2), 255.06 (2) (d), 255.07 (1) (d), 257.01 (5) (a) and (b), 341.14 (1a), 1e (a), 1m and 1q), 343.16 (5) (a), 343.51 (1), 343.62 (4) (a) 4., 440.03 (13) (b) 3., 440.08 (2) (a) 4m., 440.981 (1), 440.982 (1), 440.987 (2), 441.01 (3), 441.01 (4), 441.01 (7) (a) (intro.), 441.01 (7) (b), 441.06 (3), 441.06 (4), 441.07 (1g) (intro.), (a), (c) and (e), 441.10 (7), 441.18 (2) (a) (intro.), 441.18 (2) (b), 441.18 (3), subchapter ii (title) of chapter 441 [precedes 441.51], 441.51 (title), 448.03 (2) (a), 448.035 (2) (3) and (4), 448.56 (1) and (1m) (b), 448.62 (2m), 448.67 (2), 448.956 (1m), 450.01 (16) (h) 2., 450.01 (16) (hr) 2., 450.03 (1) (e), 450.11 (1i) (a) 1., 450.11 (1i) (b) 2., 450.11 (7) (b), 450.11 (8) (e), 450.13 (5) (b), 450.135 (7) (b), 462.04, 655.005 (7), 655.001 (9), 655.005 (2) (a), 961.01 (19) (a) and 961.395; to repeal and recreate 441.06 (title); and to create 253.115 (1) (f), 253.13 (1) (a), 253.15 (1) (em), 255.06 (1) (f) 2., 440.03 (13) (b) 39m., 440.08 (2) (a) 47., 441.001 (1c), 441.001 (1m), 441.001 (5), 441.01 (7) (c) and 441.09 of the statutes;

Primary Sponsors
Devin LeMahieu, Janis Ringhand, Patrick Testin, Tim Carpenter, Dave Hansen, Dale Kooyenga, Howard Marklein, Luther Olsen, Fred Risser, Patty Schachtner, Van Wanggaard, Bob Wirch

Bill Summary: Amends the Nurse Licensure Compact.
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**Title:** Revising various provisions of the statutes for the purpose of making corrections and reconciling conflicts (Correction Bill).

**Description:** An Act

**Primary Sponsors:** Introduced by Law Revision Committee

**Bill Summary:** Ratifies the Enhanced Nurse Licensure Compact.

**Title:** School-linked substance abuse grants established, and money appropriated.

**Primary Sponsors:** Liz Olson, Sydney Jordan, Deb Kiel, Hunter Cantrell, Leon Lillie, Rod Hamilton, Joe Schomacker, Dave Baker, Mary Kunesh-Podein, Dale Lueck

**Bill Summary:** Establishes school-linked substance abuse grants to provide early identification of and intervention for secondary school students with substance use disorder needs. Permits grant activities and expenses to include delivering substance use disorder treatment and services to students and their families, including via telemedicine.

**Title:** School-linked substance abuse grants establishment and appropriation

**Primary Sponsors:** Bill Ingebrigtsen, John Hoffman, Kent Eken, Paul Utke, Jim Abeler

**Bill Summary:** Establishes a school-linked substance abuse grant program to provide early identification of and intervention for secondary school students with substance use disorder needs. Includes funding for substance use disorder treatment and services via telemedicine and purchasing equipment, connection charges, on-site coordination, set-up fees, and site fees in order to deliver school-linked substance use disorder treatment services via telemedicine.

**Title:** COVID-19 telemedicine equipment grant program establishment; distance learning broadband access grant program establishment; appropriations

**Primary Sponsors:** Torrey Westrom, Rich Draheim, Bill Weber, Mark Koran, Nick Frentz

**Bill Summary:** Establishes a telemedicine grant program for the purchase of equipment to help deal with COVID-19.
Title
Provide for a type 1 diabetes pilot study

Primary Sponsors
Justin Wayne

Bill Summary:
Directs the Department of Health and Human Services to administer a grant for a type 1 diabetes pilot study that will, among other things, test the impact of telehealth communication on patient health outcomes.

Title
Provide for a diabetes pilot study

Primary Sponsors
Justin Wayne

Bill Summary:
Establishes a diabetes pilot study to identify ways to reduce the financial cost of diabetes to the medical assistance program. The grant recipient must, among other responsibilities, test the hypothesis that the integration of technology into the case management protocol of a patient with diabetes in the medical assistance program, including telehealth, will lead to improved health outcomes and decreased health care costs.

Title
Make an appropriation to evaluate the feasibility of the use of telehealth services within the criminal justice system and to declare an emergency.

Primary Sponsors
House Committee on Judiciary

Bill Summary:
Appropriates $418,000, or another amount as necessary, to the Unified Judicial System for purposes of evaluating the feasibility of the use of telehealth services within the criminal justice system, including the use of telehealth for mental health assessments and services in jails, crisis consultations for law enforcement, crisis response for people who have encounters with law enforcement, probation and parole mental health services, and to provide statewide training related to mental health services for the criminal justice population.

Medicaid Reimbursement (2)

Title
Omnibus human services policy provisions modification

Primary Sponsors
Jim Abeler, Jeff Hayden, John Hoffman, Paul Utke, Andrew Mathews

Bill Summary: Removes the Medicaid telemedicine limit of three telemedicine visits per week.
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**Title**
COVID-19 temporary emergency authority for the commissioner of human services

**Primary Sponsors**
Jim Abeler, John Hoffman, Jeremy Miller, Greg Clausen

**Bill Summary:** Allows the Commissioner of human services to temporarily waive or modify any provisions of MN Statute, including limits on the use of telehealth or other restrictions on electronic communication providers.

### Online Prescribing (4)

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**Title**
A bill for an act relating to telepharmacy licensing requirements. (See SF 536.)

**Primary Sponsors**
Mariannette Miller-Meeks

**Bill Summary:** Removes limitations to issuing a special or limited use pharmacy license to a proposed telepharmacy site.

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**Title**
A bill for an act relating to telepharmacy licensing requirements. (Formerly SF 399.)

**Primary Sponsors**
Mariannette Miller-Meeks

**Bill Summary:** Removes distance and geographic restrictions related to the establishment of a telepharmacy site.

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**Title**
Telemedicine evaluations allowed to be used for erectile dysfunction medication prescribing.

**Primary Sponsors**
Joe Schomacker, Kelly Morrison, Tony Albright, Rena Moran

**Bill Summary:** For purposes of prescribing drugs for erectile dysfunction, clarifies that the physical examination can be conducted over telemedicine.
### Title
Telemedicine examination of patient by prescribing practitioner before issuing prescription drug for medication assisted therapy for treatment of substance abuse disorder authorization

**Bill Summary:** Allows for the prescription of a controlled substance based on a telemedicine examination for substance use disorder.

**Primary Sponsors**
Mark Koran

### Other (8)

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**Title**
A bill for an act relating to the provision of health care services via telehealth for the civil commitment unit for sexual offenders. (See HF 422.)

**Bill Summary:** Requires University of Iowa hospitals and clinics which provide health care services to patients at the civil commitment unit for sexual offenders (CCUSO) to utilize telehealth instead of in-person delivery to the greatest extent medically appropriate. Requires CCUSO to report any cost or staff savings.

**Primary Sponsors**
Jim Carlin, Brian Best

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**Title**
A bill for an act relating to the provision of behavioral health services including via telemedicine in a school setting.

**Bill Summary:** Establishes criteria for delivering behavioral health services via telemedicine in school-based settings.

**Primary Sponsors**
Senate Committee on Human Resources

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**Title**
Minnesota Green New Deal Act

**Bill Summary:** Requires the Commissioner of Transportation to prepare a report on the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions in transportation, which must include evaluation of policies designed to reduce vehicle miles traveled and expanding opportunities for telemedicine.

**Primary Sponsors**
Scott Dibble, Chris Eaton, Steve Cwodzinski, Kari Dziedzic
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**Title**

**Children's mental health respite grants eligibility requirements modification**

**Bill Summary:**
Removes the limitation of medical assistance coverage to three telemedicine services per person per calendar week for EIDBI services.

**Primary Sponsors**
Matt Klein

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**Title**

**Change provisions relating to tobacco including sales, crimes, a tax increase, and distribution of funds**

**Bill Summary:**
Allocates a percentage of State tax revenue towards telehealth services.

**Primary Sponsors**
Machaela Cavanaugh

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**Title**

**Provide for the use of electronic communication in the involuntary commitment process and to declare an emergency.**

**Bill Summary:**
Permits the delivery of emergency intervention examinations by a qualified mental health professional to be delivered either in person or through real-time interactive audio and video.

**Primary Sponsors**
Deb Soholt, Herman Otten

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**Title**

**expanding telehealth mental health treatment to offenders under community supervision. (FE)**

**Description**
An Act

**Primary Sponsors**
Rob Brooks, Michael Schraa, David Bowen, Joan Ballweg, Mark Born, Barbara Dittrich, Jodi Emerson, Cody Horlacher, Dan Knodl, Bob Kulp, John Nygren, Jon Plumer, Romaine Quinn, Timothy Ramthun, Mike Rohrkaste, John Spiros, Ron Tusler
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**Title**
expanding telehealth mental health treatment to offenders under community supervision. (FE)

**Bill Summary:**
Requires the Department of Corrections to expand telehealth mental health treatment to offenders under community supervision.

**Description**
An Act

**Primary Sponsors**
Alberta Darling, Dan Feyen, Luther Olsen, Van Wanggaard

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**Private Payer Reimbursement (8)**

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**Title**
A bill for an act relating to reimbursement rates for health care services provided to covered persons by telehealth and including applicability provisions. (See HF 2192.)

**Bill Summary:**
Requires a health carrier to reimburse health care professionals for health care services provided to covered persons by telehealth on the same basis and at the same rate as the health carrier would apply to the same health care services provided in person.

**Primary Sponsors**
Joel Fry

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**Title**
A bill for an act relating to reimbursement rates for health care services provided to covered persons by telehealth and including applicability provisions. (Formerly HF 2001.)

**Bill Summary:**
Amends the definition of "telehealth" to include the use of interactive audio and video, or other electronic media, regardless of where the health care professional and the covered person are each located. Requires a health carrier to reimburse health care professionals and facilities for services provided to a covered person by telehealth on the same basis and at the same rate as the health carrier would apply to the same service provided in-person.

**Primary Sponsors**
Joel Fry

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**Title**
A bill for an act relating to the provision of behavioral health services including via telehealth in a school setting. (Formerly SF 2100.)

**Bill Summary:**
Requires mental health professionals providing services via telehealth in a public school to establish a provider-patient relationship with the student receiving services. The relationship may be established through telehealth if the standard of care does not require an in-person encounter. Requires payment for behavioral health services provided in a school.

**Primary Sponsors**
Annette Sweeney, Ann Meyer
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**Title**
- COVID-19; state government deadlines extended; health expenses covered; temporary emergency authority provided; electronic communication, applicants, and signature use expanded; Second Harvest Heartland grants funding provided; forecast adjustments made; and money appropriated.
- Public health response contingency account money transfer authorization; health care response fund and provider grant loan program establishment; telemedicine services coverage authorization
- COVID-19 policy and certain other policy changes
- Require health carriers to provide coverage for asynchronous review by a dermatologist by way of telehealth

**Bill Summary:**
- Requires reimbursement for telemedicine services delivered by licensed healthcare providers, which include respiratory therapists and mental health practitioners.
- Requires a health carrier to not exclude or reduce coverage for a health care service or consultation solely because the service or consultation is provided via telemedicine directly to a patient at the patient's residence. This is meant to cover the COVID-19 emergency and expires in Feb. 2021.
- Requires reimbursement of telemedicine delivered by licensed healthcare providers, which includes respiratory therapists and mental health practitioners.
- Requires private insurers offering coverage of benefits on or after January 1, 2021 to include coverage for telehealth benefits in the same manner as any other benefits covered under the policy, certificate, contract, or plan and must comply with the provisions regarding asynchronous review by a dermatologist. Insurers may not exclude asynchronous review by a dermatologist from coverage solely because the service is delivered through telehealth and not through in-person consultation or contact between a licensed health care provider and a patient. Insurers must reimburse health care providers for asynchronous review by a dermatologist delivered through telehealth on the same basis and at the same rate as the insurer would apply to those services if the services had been delivered in person.

**Primary Sponsors**
- Ryan Winkler
- Michelle Benson, John Marty, Julie Rosen, Matt Klein, Jerry Relph
- Paul Gazelka
- Mark Kolterman
### Title

**Coverage of Telehealth Services.**

**Description**

An Act to amend 40.51 (8), 40.51 (8m), 66.0137 (4), 120.13 (2) (g) and 185.983 (1) (intro.); and to create 49.45 (61) (f), 609.713 and 632.872 of the statutes;

**Primary Sponsors**

Andre Jacque

**Bill Summary:** The bill prohibits a private insurer or a self-insured health plan of the state or a county, city, village, town, or school district from denying coverage or refusing to reimburse a health care provider for a treatment or service provided before May 1, 2021, through telehealth, which includes audio-only telephone, if that treatment or service is covered under the policy or plan when provided in person by a health care provider. Telehealth is a practice of health care delivery, diagnosis, consultation, treatment, or transfer of medically relevant data by means of audio, video, or data communications that are used either during a patient visit or a consultation or are used to transfer medically relevant data about a patient.

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**Title**

A bill for an act relating to the provision of behavioral health services including via telemedicine in a school setting. (See SF 2261.)

**Primary Sponsors**

Annette Sweeney, Ann Meyer

**Bill Summary:**

Provides for the delivery of behavioral health services provided via telemedicine in a school setting. Permits the establishment of a provider-patient relationship for services provided via telemedicine in a school setting.

**Bill Summary:**

Requires mental health professionals providing services via telehealth in a public school to establish a provider-patient relationship with the student receiving services. The relationship may be established through telehealth if the standard of care does not require an in-person encounter. Requires payment for behavioral health services provided in a school.

### Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards (6)
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**Title**
A bill for an act relating to telepharmacy licensing requirements. (See SF 536.)

**Primary Sponsors**
Mariannette Miller-Meeks

**Bill Summary:**
Removes limitations to issuing a special or limited use pharmacy license to a proposed telepharmacy site.

**Title**
Tobacco and nicotine cessation treatment medical assistance coverage expanded and modified.

**Primary Sponsors**
Alice Mann, Kelly Morrison, Heather Edelson, Patty Acomb, Ruth Richardson

**Bill Summary:**
Permits the use of telemedicine to deliver counseling services related to tobacco and nicotine cessation.

**Title**
Revise certain provisions regarding the use of telehealth technologies.

**Primary Sponsors**
Herman Otten, Deb Soholt

**Bill Summary:**
 Specifies that telehealth does not include the delivery of health care services under the provisions of chapter 27A-10, for emergency commitment of dangerously ill persons.

**Title**
Provide for the use of electronic communication in the involuntary commitment process and to declare an emergency.

**Primary Sponsors**
Deb Soholt, Herman Otten

**Bill Summary:**
Permits the delivery of emergency intervention examinations by a qualified mental health professional to be delivered either in person or through real-time interactive audio and video.
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**Title**
using telehealth in the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene and granting rule-making authority. (FE)

**Description**
An Act to amend 447.02 (5) and 447.06 (title); and to create 447.01 (1e), 447.01 (9m), 447.01 (12g), 447.01 (12r), 447.02 (1) (g) and 447.06 (3) of the statutes;

**Primary Sponsors**
Amy Loudenbeck, Joan Ballweg, Barbara Dittrich, Mary Felzkowski

**Bill Summary:**
Requires a dentist or dental hygienist who uses telehealth to provide to a patient their full name and license number before treating the patient and to follow protocols established by the Dentistry Examining Board.

**Title**
using telehealth in the practice of dentistry and dental hygiene and granting rule-making authority. (FE)

**Description**
An Act to amend 447.02 (5) and 447.06 (title); and to create 447.01 (1e), 447.01 (9m), 447.01 (12g), 447.01 (12r), 447.02 (1) (g) and 447.06 (3) of the statutes;

**Primary Sponsors**
Dale Kooyenga

**Bill Summary:**
Requires a dentist or dental hygienist who uses telehealth to provide to a patient their full name and license number before treating the patient and to follow protocols established by the Dentistry Examining Board.

**Bill Number**
AB 998

**Last Action**
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**Status**
In Assembly

**Substance Use Disorder (2)**

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**Title**
A bill for an act relating to the voluntary or involuntary commitment or hospitalization of a person with a serious mental impairment or a substance-related disorder. (Formerly HF 619.)

**Bill Summary:**
Permits a preapplication screening assessment related to the involuntary commitment or treatment of a person with a substance-related disorder to be delivered through telehealth, if available.

**Primary Sponsors**
Michael Bergan
Title
Telemedicine examination of patient by prescribing practitioner before issuing prescription drug for medication assisted therapy for treatment of substance abuse disorder authorization

Bill Summary: Allows for the prescription of a controlled substance based on a telemedicine examination for substance use disorder.

Primary Sponsors
Mark Koran

Title
Telemedicine evaluations allowed to be used for erectile dysfunction medication prescribing.

Bill Summary: For purposes of prescribing drugs for erectile dysfunction, clarifies that the physical examination can be conducted over telemedicine.

Primary Sponsors
Joe Schomacker, Kelly Morrison, Tony Albright, Rena Moran

Title
COVID-19 temporary emergency authority for the commissioner of human services

Bill Summary: Allows the Commissioner of human services to temporarily waive or modify any provisions of MN Statute, including limits on the use of telehealth or other restrictions on electronic communication providers.

Primary Sponsors
Jim Abeler, John Hoffman, Jeremy Miller, Greg Clausen

Title
Public health response contingency account money transfer authorization; health care response fund and provider grant loan program establishment; telemedicine services coverage authorization

Bill Summary: Requires a health carrier to not exclude or reduce coverage for a health care service or consultation solely because the service or consultation is provided via telemedicine directly to a patient at the patient's residence. This is meant to cover the COVID-19 emergency and expires in Feb. 2021.

Primary Sponsors
Michelle Benson, John Marty, Julie Rosen, Matt Klein, Jerry Relph
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### Online Prescribing, Provider-Patient Relationship

**Title**
Second Hearing: Licensure of Dentists; Minimal, Moderate, or General Anesthesia/Deep Sedation. NOTE: Due to the current public health crisis, the agency will be enforcing the Directed Health Measure Order on the size of gatherings. The public hearing will be limited to eight (8) in-person attendees. In order to encourage participation in this public hearing, a phone conference line will be set for any member of the public to call in and provide oral comments. Interested persons may provide verbal comments by participating via phone conference line by calling 888-820-1398; Participant code: 3213662#. Interested persons may provide written comments by mail, fax, or email no later than the day of the hearing to: DHHS Legal Services, PO Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026, (402) 742-2382 or dhhs.regulations@nebraska.gov, respectively. Any written comments will be part of the record and will be considered.

**Agency**
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (NE)

**Description**
Defines unprofessional conduct for dentists. Prohibits the prescribing drugs to an individual based solely on answers to questions provided by teledentistry without first establishing a proper dentist-patient relationship.

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AMENDMENT: Licensure of Dentists; Minimal, Moderate, or General Anesthesia/Deep Sedation

**Agency**
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (NE)

**Description**
Establishes that providing drugs to an individual based solely on answers to questions provided by teledentistry without first establishing a dentist-patient relationship is unprofessional conduct.

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ADOPT Chapter 39, Nebraska Alternative Benefit Plans.

**Agency**
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (NE)

**Description**
Adopts the Nebraska Basic Alternative Benefit Plan, which includes coverage of services provided through telehealth.
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**Issues**
Demonstrations, Grants & Pilot Projects

**Labels**

**Title**
Grants from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund. REPEAL

**Agency**
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (NE)

**Description**
Removes various grant and funding opportunities from the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund. This includes grants for health service system improvements for improving communication systems and enhancing telehealth capabilities.

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**Issues**
Other

**Labels**

**Title**
Universal practice standards—licenses, fees; telepharmacy, 8.35, 13.16

**Agency**
Pharmacy Board (IA)

**Description**
Clarifies distance requirements between telepharmacy sites and currently licensed pharmacies. Amends initial application requirements for telepharmacies.

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**Issues**
Regulatory, Licensing & Advisory Boards

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**Title**
Mental health and disability services regions, amendments to ch.25

**Agency**
Human Services Department (IA)

**Description**
Provides a definition for 'prescreening assessment' and 'warm handoff' both of which may be conducted via telehealth.