**IDAHO PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION - BILL TRACKER – IDAHO LEGISLATURE 2013**

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**HOUSE BILLS**

**H0016** – legally authorizes pharmacists and practitioners to provide unsolicited controlled substances database information to other pharmacists and practitioners. A federal grant will provide the $20,000 needed to create the necessary software program. Introduced on 17 Jan. Referred to Health & Welfare. Passed by the House on 30 Jan., and referred to Senate Health & Welfare Committee. <http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/legislation/2013/H0016.htm>

**H0054** – allows insurance brokers to assist clients within the exchange and to participate in the health insurance exchange regardless of whether the exchange is state-based, federally operated, or a partnership exchange. No fiscal impact. Introduced on 25 Jan. <http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/legislation/2013/H0054.htm>

**SENATE BILLS**

**S1010** – Amends existing law to revise provisions of behavioral health services for Medicaid participants to facilitate managed care payments. Introduced on 17 Jan. Referred to Health & Welfare. On the Senate’s Health & Welfare Committee agenda 4 Feb. at 3:00 p.m. [http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/legislation/2013/S1010.htm](http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/legislation/2013/S1010.htm%20)

**S1011** – amends existing law to clarify terminology regarding removal of information from the immunization registry (IRIS) for those who opt out. Introduced on 17 Jan. Referred to Health & Welfare. <http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/legislation/2013/S1011.htm>

**S1012** – amends existing law to revise terminology, to provide for both adults and children in the immunization registry, to provide for a health data exchange in disclosure of information, to revise a provision relating to removal of information from the registry and to revise a provision relating to disclosure of confidential information. Introduced on 17 Jan. Referred to Health and Welfare. <http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/legislation/2013/S1012.htm>

**S1019** – adopts the FBI auditors’ recommendations for changes in the Board’s existing statutory authority to conduct criminal background checks of applicants for a nursing license, and improves and clarifies the Board’s grounds for denying or disciplining a nursing license. There is no fiscal impact. Introduced on 17 Jan. Referred to Commerce & Human Resources. <http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/legislation/2013/S1019.htm>

**S1020** – gives the Board the authority to impose disciplinary fines against nurses who have violated Board statutes or rules. Collecting these fines may add $5,000 - $10,000 per year to the Board’s dedicated fund account. Introduced on 17 Jan. Referred to Commerce & Human Resources. <http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/legislation/2013/S1020.htm>

**S1023** – makes changes to the Behavioral Health System of Care (BHSC) in Idaho. A Regional Behavioral Health Board (RBHB) and a State Planning Council on Behavioral Health will be created. Introduced on 17 Jan. Referred to Commerce & Human Resources. [http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/legislation/2013/S1023.htm](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5CAndy%5CDownloads%5CJan%2025%20Legislative%20Update.docx)

**S1042 –** establishes a state-created, market-driven health insurance exchange to aid individuals and small employers in selecting and purchasing health benefit plans, to enhance their options and access to affordable health care insurance. No fiscal impact. Introduced 30 Jan. Referred to Commerce & Human Resources Committee on 31 Jan. <http://www.legislature.idaho.gov/legislation/2013/S1042.htm>

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