

**NH Pharmacists Association  
Top Pharmacy Bills  
2021 Legislative Session**

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**Law**

**HB 143 – (New Title) Relative to an electronic prescription drug program and establishing licensure and requirements for licensed social workers, licensed social work associates, and social work conditional licenses. (Merchant)**

Signed by the Governor on August 10, 2021, Chapter 183  
Sections 1-5 are effective January 1, 2022, Sections 6-8 are effective October 9, 2021  
and the remainder was effective September 9, 2021

**COVID-19 Testing and Medical Freedom in Immunizations**

**HB 220 – (New Title) Relative to medical freedom in immunizations and establishing a committee to examine the policy of medical intervention including immunizations. (Lang)**

*This bill states the rights for medical freedom in immunizations. The bill also establishes a committee to examine the policy of medical intervention including immunizations.*

Signed by the Governor on July 23, 2021, Chapter 131  
Effective Date: July 23, 2021

**\*HB 479 - (New Title) Relative to pharmacist provider status, nicotine cessation therapy, and pharmacy benefit manager requirements. (Merchant) – *Provider Status***

*This bill includes pharmacists as providers for certain covered services including Medicaid and authorizes pharmacists to provide nicotine cessation therapy pursuant to a standing order from a physician, physician assistant, or APRN and to be reimbursed under Medicaid. The bill also prohibits pharmacy benefit managers from requiring additional accreditation of health care providers.*

Signed by the Governor on August 10, 2021, Chapter 189  
Section 6 is effective January 1, 2025, Sections 1-4 are effective January 1, 2022  
And the remainder was effective August 10, 2021

**\*HB 572 – Relative to pharmacist administration of vaccines and allowing a licensed advanced pharmacy technician to administer vaccines. (Merchant)**

*This bill allows licensed advanced pharmacy technicians to administer vaccines, combines the pharmacist administration of vaccines authority into one section, provides for recording vaccinations in the state vaccine registry, and requires the report of any adverse reactions.*

Signed by the Governor on August 10, 2021, Chapter 192

Effective Date: November 8, 2021

**HB 582 – (New Title) Relative to prescriptions for the treatment of attention deficit disorder, attention deficit disorder with hyperactivity, or narcolepsy. (Walz)**

*This bill allows for certain prescriptions for treatment of attention deficit disorder, attention deficit disorder with hyperactivity, or narcolepsy to be for 90 days.*

Signed by the Governor on May 25, 2021, Chapter 58

Effective Date: July 24, 2021

**SB 34-FN - Relative to the definition of a controlled drug analog and prohibiting the sale or possession of synthetic urine and urine additives. (D'Allesandro)**

Signed by the Governor on July 9, 2021, Chapter 115

Effective date: September 7, 2021

**SB 45 – Relative to the controlled drug prescription health and safety program. (Giuda)**

Introduced and referred to Senate Health and Human Services Committee

*This bill modifies requirements for participation in and sharing of information from the controlled drug prescription health and safety program.*

Signed by the Governor on July 23, 2021, Chapter 148

Sections 1-10 are effective as provided in Section 11

Remainder was effective : July 23, 2021

**\*SB 57 – Relative to allowing pharmacy technicians and interns to remotely perform non-dispensing tasks. (Carson) PillPack**

*This bill allows pharmacy technicians and interns to remotely perform non-dispensing tasks.*

Signed by the Governor on June 11, 2021, Chapter 0076

Effective Date: June 11, 2021

**SB 58 – Relative to the administration of occupational regulation by the office of professional licensure and certification. (Carson)**

*This bill makes changes to the statutory provisions governing the regulatory boards and commissions for technical professions and health professions in order to conform to oversight and administration by the office of professional licensure and regulation.*

Signed by the Governor on August 10 2021, Chapter 197

Sections 20 and 123 were effective July 1, 2021

Remainder was effective July 1, 2021

**SB 97 - (New Title) Relative to in-network retail pharmacies. (Hennessey)**

*This bill prohibits certain acts relative to pharmacy benefits managers. This bill also prohibits certain acts relative to health carriers and in-network retail pharmacies.*

Signed by the Governor on July 23, 2021, Chapter 149

Effective Date: September 21, 2021

**SB 149-FN - Adopting omnibus legislation on health and human services. (Sherman)**

*This bill adopts legislation relative to: I. Clarifying Medicaid spend-down requirements and requiring a report to the oversight committee on health and human services, II. **Automated pharmacy systems**, and III. Health facilities providing care in the declared emergency. 318:42-a Automated Pharmacy Systems; Long-term Care Facilities, Hospices, or State Correctional Institutions. I. A pharmacy may provide pharmacy services to a long-term care facility or hospice licensed under RSA 151 or to a state correctional institution through the use of an automated pharmacy system that need not be located at the same location as the pharmacy, II. The board shall adopt rules governing the use of an automated pharmacy system under this section, not later than January 1, 2022, which shall specify: (a) Recordkeeping requirements; (b) Security requirements; and (c) Labeling requirements. 179:2 Effective Date. Part II of this act shall take effect 60 days after its passage.*

Signed by the Governor on July 30, 2021, Chapter 179

Part I and III were effective 07/30/2021

Part II was effective 09/28/2021

**SB 155-FN - Codifying provisions included in select emergency orders issued by the governor in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. (Bradley) Authorizes COVID-19 testing by pharmacists and pharmacy technicians and authorizes pharmacy technicians to administer COVID-19 vaccines.**

Signed by the Governor on July 9, 2021, Chapter 121

Section 10 is effective January 31, 2022, Remainder was effective July 9, 2021

Retained

**HB 146 – Requiring health care providers to furnish upon request a list of ingredients contained in an injectable medication that is recommended or administered. (Comtois)**

Introduced and referred to House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee

Passed the House with Amendment; voice vote

Referred to Senate Health and Human Services Committee

RE-REFERRED

**HB 472 – Relative to retroactive denials of previously paid claims. (Van Houten)**

*This bill clarifies the law regarding retroactive denials of previously paid claims under accident and health insurance.*

Introduced and referred to House Commerce and Consumer Affairs Committee

RETAINED

**HB 592-FN - Requiring bond from pharmaceutical companies providing vaccines. (Greeson)**

*This bill establishes a requirement for pharmaceutical companies providing vaccines for administration in the state to post a bond for the reimbursement or payment of the costs related to illness and death due to the vaccine. The disbursements shall be made by the commissioner of the department of health and human services pursuant to a claim filed by a physician on behalf of a victim.*

Introduced and referred to House Commerce and Consumer Affairs Committee

RETAINED

**HB 602-FN - Relative to reimbursements for telemedicine. (Edwards)**

*This bill makes changes to the reimbursement limits for telemedicine. This bill also further defines telemedicine.*

Introduced and referred to House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee

RETAINED

**HB 603-FN - Relative to manslaughter and the use of deadly force in circumstances involving the sale or use of a controlled drug or controlled drug analog. (Vincent)**

*This bill expands the manslaughter statute to apply to circumstances where the conduct causing the death is directly or indirectly related to the sale, transfer, injection, or ingestion of any schedule I-IV controlled drug or controlled drug analog and provides that the use of deadly force is not justified in such circumstances. The bill also renders a dealer liable for the conduct of another resulting from the ingestion or use of a controlled drug or controlled drug analog.*

Introduced and referred to House Criminal Justice and Public Safety Committee

RETAINED

**\*HB 604-FN - Expanding the New Hampshire vaccine association to include adult vaccines. (Knirk)**

*This bill expands the New Hampshire vaccine association to include adult vaccines.*

Introduced and referred to House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee

RETAINED

Laid on the Table

**SB 132-FN - Adopting omnibus legislation relative to COVID-19.** (Prentiss)

Introduced and referred to Senate Health and Human Services Committee

Passed with Amendment; roll call 24-0

LAID ON THE TABLE

**SB 123 - (New Title) Relative to employer payment of required COVID-19 testing.** (Sherman)

Passed the Senate with Amendment (Vote 23-1)

Referred to House Labor, Industrial and Rehabilitative Services Committee

Majority Committee Report: Ought to Pass with Amendment #1758h (Vote 11-9)

*This bill prohibits an employer from requiring that an employee or applicant for employment pay the cost of any medical test as a condition of employment. This bill also prohibits certain employers from requiring a COVID-19 vaccination that has not received final FDA approval as a condition of employment.*

LAID ON THE TABLE, division vote 355-10

## Killed

### **HB 221 – Making the state vaccine registry an opt-in program.** (Lang)

House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee

Died on the Table because the House ran out of time

(The bill was not voted on)

### **HB 444 – Relative to the board of pharmacy.** (Merchant)

*This bill makes various technical changes to the laws governing pharmacies regulated by the pharmacy board.*

House ED&A Committee

Killed in the House; voice vote

### **HB 475 – Prohibiting the production of a drivers' license or nondrivers' picture identification card as a condition of conducting certain business.** (Ulery)

*This bill prohibits businesses from requiring production of a driver's license or nondriver's picture identification card as a condition of conducting certain transactions.*

House Commerce and Consumer Affairs Committee

Died on the Table because the House ran out of time

(The bill was not voted on)

### **HB 479 – Requiring maintenance of the COVID-19 dashboard.** (Schultz)

House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee

Killed in the House; voice vote

### **HB 492 - Requiring maintenance of the COVID-19 dashboard.** (Schultz)

Introduced and referred to the House Health, Human Services and Elderly Affairs Committee

Killed in the House; voice vote