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Network Adequacy and Transparency Act (HB 311): This legislation requires health insurance providers to have adequate networks of providers and publish current information about their networks.

Rep. Harris

Sen. Holmes

Senate 3rd Reading

Expand Access to Telemedicine (HB 2907): In a provision concerning access to psychiatric mental health services via telepsychiatry, provides that the Department of Healthcare and Family Services shall not require that a physician or other licensed health care professional be physically present in the same room as the patient for the entire time during which the patient is receiving telepsychiatry services.

Rep. Bellock

Sen. McGuire

Senate – Special Committee on Oversight of Medicaid Managed Care

Early Identification and Treatment of Mental Illnesses – Advisory Council (HB 3502): The average lag time from the first signs of a significant mental health condition until the right diagnosis and treatment is received is ten (10) years. This legislation will establish a task force to Advance evidence-based, best practices being implemented on early identification of mental health conditions in children and young adults, leading to early treatment.

Rep. Conroy

Sen. Bush

Senate – 2nd Reading

Increase Access to Outpatient Therapy for Minors (HB 3709): Provides that counseling services or psychotherapy on an outpatient basis provided to a minor 12 years of age or older must be provided by, or under the supervision of, a licensed service provider. Provides that until the consent of the minor's parent, legal guardian, or person in loco parentis has been obtained, outpatient counseling or psychotherapy provided to a minor under the age of 18 (rather than 17) shall be initially limited to not more than 8 90-minute sessions (rather than 5 sessions, a session lasting not more than 45 minutes).

Rep. Sims

Sen. Lightford

Senate – 2nd Reading

Trauma Informed Care Pilot Program for Families Experiencing Domestic Violence (SB 646): Allows DCFS to implement a 5-year pilot program of a domestic violence co-location program to improve child welfare interventions provided to families experiencing domestic violence using trauma-informed care.

Sen. Koehler

Rep. Feigenholtz

House – Rules Committee