

Legislative Update – 3/1/2021

This document contains a brief summary and status of bills in House and Senate that pertain to the work of substance abuse prevention in Michigan.

Highlight=new updates

BILLS PERTAINING TO TOBACCO/E-CIGARETTES				
Priority	BILL #	SUMMARY	SPONSOR(s)	STATUS/ACTION DATE
	HB 4114	To amend sec. 7 of 1993 PA 327 (MCL 205.427); to increase tax rate per cigarette beginning in Oct. 2021	Rep. Hall	Introduced and referred to Committee on Tax Policy on 2/3/21
	HB 4251	A bill to prohibit the sale of vapor products or alternative nicotine products that contain Vitamin E Acetate; and to prescribe penalties (fines of no more than \$10,000.00)	Rep. Hammoud, Sowerby, Stone, O'Neal, Cynthia Johnson, Weiss	Introduced and referred to Committee on Regulatory Reform on 2/16/21

BILLS PERTAINING TO PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS AND MONITORING/HEROIN/OPIOIDS				
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BILLS PERTAINING TO MARIHUANA				
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	SB 41	Amends sec. 1606 of 1994 PA 451 to grant recreation officers and peace officers the ability to enforce Marihuana related offenses on specified lands pursuant to the Michigan Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act of 2018.	Roger Victory	Introduced and referred to Committee on Regulatory Reform on 1/26/21
	HB 4249	Amend Medical Marihuana facilities licensing Act to add Sec. 502 (7): A processor shall not process marihuana intended for inhalation if the marihuana or infused product contains or has been contaminated with Vitamin E Acetate. Violation of this sec is punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000.00	Abdullah Hammoud, Carter, Sowerby...	Introduced and referred to Committee on Regulatory Reform on 2/16/21
	HB 4250	To Amend MI Regulation and Taxation of Marihuana Act to add: a Marihuana establishment shall not cultivate, process, sell, or display marihuana accessories if the display is visible from a public space without the use of binoculars, aircraft, or optical aids; allow an individual under the age of 21 to volunteer or work for the establishment; sell or otherwise transfer marihuana that was not produced, distributed, or taxed in compliance with this act, sell or otherwise transfer tobacco; A processor shall not process marihuana intended for inhalation if the marihuana or infused product contains or has been contaminated with Vitamin E Acetate. Violation of this sec is punishable by a fine of up to \$10,000.00	Abdullah Hammoud, Carter, Sowerby...	Introduced and referred to Committee on Regulatory Reform on 2/16/21

BILLS PERTAINING TO ALCOHOL/UNDERAGE DRINKING

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	SB 141	To Amend the Liquor Control Code of 1998 to modify the eligible direct distributor licenses and retailer delivery	Schmidt, Moss, Horn...	Introduced and referred to Committee on Regulatory Reform on 2/16/21
	SB 144	To Amend Liquor Control Code (tie-barred w/ above) to redefine mixed drink to: product with 16% or less ABV, consisting of spirits and non-alcoholic liquids	Vanderwall, Moss, Horn...	Introduced and referred to Committee on Regulatory Reform on 2/16/21
	HB 4115	To Amend Liquor Control Code to expand on premise alcohol sales to 4 AM	Berman, Cambensy, Eisen, and Jones	Introduced and referred to Committee on Regulatory Reform on 2/3/21

BILLS PERTAINING TO METHAMPHETAMINE/PRE-CURSORS

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BILLS PERTAINING TO SUD FUNDING/MISC

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MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

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	SB 114	A bill to make, supplement, and adjust appropriations for various state departments and agencies for the fiscal year ending Sept 30, 2021; and to provide for expenditure of appropriations. (\$8 million in funding for mental health block grant \$17.4 million for substance use disorder block grant)	Stamas	Introduced and referred to Committee on Appropriations on 2/9/21

FEDERAL BILLS

Priority	BILL #	SUMMARY	SPONSOR	
	HR 280	To direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to carry out a pilot program to test the feasibility and outcomes of integrating a substance use disorder and behavioral health treatment locator tool into the prescription drug monitoring programs of 5 eligible States.	David Mckinley (R)	1/12/21-Introduced and Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.
	HR 344	To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct an analysis of the need for women-specific programs that treat and rehabilitate women veterans with drug and alcohol dependency and to carry out a pilot program regarding such programs.	Julia Brownley (D)	01/19/2021-Introduced and referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.
	HR 365	To provide for the rescheduling of marijuana into schedule III of the Controlled Substances Act.	Gregory Steube (R)	01/19/2021-Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and, in addition, to the Committee on the Judiciary.
	HR 1026	To amend the Controlled Substances Act to require dispensers of certain opioids and opiates to affix on the container or package thereof a clear, concise warning that the opioid or opiate can cause dependence, addiction, and overdose, and for other purposes.	Greg Stanton	2/11/21-Introduced and referred to committees on Energy and Commerce and Committee on Judiciary

Additional Information: