

States Challenge Biden to Lower Drug Prices by Allowing Imports From Canada

FTC Probes Market Power of One of Country's Biggest Anesthesia Providers

DeSantis sues Biden administration over Canadian drug importation program

SB 2526

Providing that the Department of Financial Services Tobacco Settlement Clearing Trust Fund shall be referred to as the "Lawton Chiles Trust Fund"; providing an

appropriation to the Board of Directors of the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute for a specified purpose; authorizing pharmacists and wholesalers employed by or under contract with forensic facilities managed by the Agency for Persons with Disabilities to import prescription drugs under the Canadian Prescription Drug Importation Program for dispensing to clients in such facilities; requiring that the Department of Children and Families' contracts with managing entities be made available on the department's website, etc.

HB 1527

Provides personal property exemptions for medical debts; requires licensed facility to post information on its website regarding certain services; requires facility to establish patient grievance process; prohibits certain collection activities by facility.

SB 296

Requiring a licensed facility to establish, update, and make public a list of the facility's charges for services which meets certain federal requirements; prohibiting consumer reporting agencies from publishing a consumer report containing a medical debt credit impairment under certain circumstances; requiring the consumer reporting agency to remove the credit impairment, free of charge, under certain circumstances; authorizing patient-consumers to initiate legal proceedings for violations; prohibiting persons from reporting certain consumer debt to a consumer reporting agency without the express written consent of the creditor, etc.

Hospital mergers and acquisitions: 9 recent deals

HB 705 (see companion bill SB 1112)

Mergers and Acquisitions Reporting; Requires certain entities to submit written notice of specified filing to AG relating to certain transactions. Mergers and acquisitions reporting; notice required.—Any entity conducting business in the state which is required to file the Notification and Report Form for Certain Mergers and Acquisitions pursuant to the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, 15 U.S.C. s. 18a(a), shall provide written notice of such filing to the Office of the Attorney General at the same time that notice is filed with the Federal Government.

SB 1112 (see companion bill HB 705)

Mergers and Acquisitions Reporting; Requiring certain entities to submit to the Office of the Attorney General written notice of a specified federal filing relating to mergers and acquisitions, etc.

S 842

Defining the terms “hospital” and “physician”; specifying that certain restrictive covenants in employment agreements between physicians and hospitals do not support a legitimate business interest, etc.