Mississippi

In recent legislative terms, Mississippi introduced bills that sought to increase price transparency, including HB 737 (2019), which requires Managed Care plans to include certain fee schedules to providers, establish a physician advisory committee, and establish a billing dispute external review process, and HB 483, which regulates balance billing of facility-based physicians. Additionally, HB 283 would prohibit price gouging of essential drugs. However, none of these initiatives passed at the end of the term.

In the 2018 legislative session, Mississippi introduced several bills to improve price transparency and cost containment for prescription drugs. While most failed to pass, the legislature passed the Prescription Drug Consumer Affordable Alternative Payment Options Act (HB 709), which allows pharmacists to provide patients with information about affordable alternatives of drugs.