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THE TURNING POINT MODEL STATE PUBLIC HEALTH ACT State Legislative Update Table

As of August 15, 2007

The Turning Point Public Health Statute Modernization Collaborative and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation have requested the *Center for Law and the Public's Health* to systematically track state legislative bills relating to the subject matter of the Turning Point Model State Public Health Act. The table below provides a summary of key state legislative bills or resolutions from **January 1, 2003** [when a comprehensive draft of the Turning Point Act first became available to the public] to **August 15, 2007**. These state bills or resolutions feature statutory provisions that either used actual language from the Turning Point Act, or are based on all or some part of its subject matter.

To date, thirty-three (33) states have introduced a total of one-hundred and thirty-three (133) legislative bills or resolutions that are based upon or feature provisions related to the Articles or sections of the Turning Point Act. Forty-eight (48) of these bills or resolutions have passed.

For more information concerning the specific content of these bills or resolutions, including their potential relevance to corresponding sections of the TURNING POINT ACT, please see the *Turning Point Model State Public Health Act Legislative Matrix Table*, available at: http://www.publichealthlaw.net/Resources/Modellaws.htm#TP.

Please note - this table only tracks the subject matter of recently passed or pending legislative bills, not existing state legislative provisions. One must review state bills with other state laws to analyze the legal environment in each state. As well, the table does not generally include legislative bills closely resembling the *Center's* MODEL STATE EMERGENCY HEALTH POWERS ACT (MSEHPA) [even though some of the MSEHPA's provisions are included in the TURNING POINT ACT]. For more information concerning MSEHPA state legislative activity, see: http://www.publichealthlaw.net/Resources/Modellaws.htm.

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Alaska H.B. 369/S.B. 304 "An Act relating to public health" Sponsor: Sharon Cissna (H)(D); Hollis French (S)(D) Introduced: 1/12/04 (H); 2/6/04 (S)	Directs the state public health department to collaborate with local public health agencies on public health matters; directs the public health commissioner to adopt regulations regarding reportable diseases; creates programs for certification, evaluation, and incentives for public health workforce; provides for the creation of a Public Health Advisory Council and a public health plan; gives public health agencies responsibility for surveillance, disease reporting, testing, quarantine and isolation, administrative searches, and other public health tasks.	Introduced and referred to the House Committee on Health, Education, and Social Services on January 12, 2004.	None.	
Alaska H.B. 95 "An Act relating to the duties of the DHSS" Sponsor: Governor Murkowski Introduced: 1/21/05	An Act relating to the duties of the Department of Health and Social Services as those duties pertain to public health and public health emergencies and disasters; relating to medical treatment, information, isolation and quarantine for the prevention and management of conditions of public health importance; relating to duties of the public defender and office of public advocacy regarding public health emergencies and disasters; relating to liability for actions arising from public health procedures; making conforming amendments; relating to the treatment and transportation of dead bodies	Introduced to the House on January 21, 2005, was passed by the House on April 5, 2005, and was passed by the Senate on May 8, 2005.	It was signed by the Governor on June 25, 2005. PASSED	Chapter 54 SLA 05
Alaska H.B. 327 "An Act relating to disclosure of confidential or privileged information" Sponsor: Mike Chenault (R) Introduced: 1/9/06	An Act relating to disclosure of confidential or privileged information to officials for review in their official capacities by the Departments of Health and Social Services and Administration.	Introduced to the House on January 9, 2006 and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, and Social Services.	None.	

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Alaska SJR No.19 "A Resolution relating to creating the Task Force to Assess Public Reporting of Health Care Associated Infections." Sponsor: Introduced: 2/14/06	A Resolution relating to creating the Task Force to Assess Reporting of Health Care Associated Infections to conduct a review of the experience of the public with reporting of infections association with health care and hospitals; and develop a white paper to be used for drafting legislation for reporting of infections associated with health care and hospitals that addressed the unique health care challenges in the state.	The Resolution was introduced on February 14, 2006 and was passed in the Senate on April 25, 2006. It was passed in the House on May 3, 2006, and referred to the Governor on June 6, 2006.	None.	
Alaska H.C.R. 1 "Relating to public health and a health compact." Sponsor: Sharon Cissna Introduced: 1/22/07	Resolution proposed to develop a health care strategy that provides opportunities to advance the quality and accessibility of health care to improve the overall health of the state population.	The resolution was introduced in the House on January 22, 2007. It was then referred to the Committee on Health, Education, and Social Services, where it is currently being reviewed.		
Alaska H.C.R. 2 "Relating to an integrated statewide health-related information and referral system." Sponsor: Sharon Cissna Introduced: 1/22/07	Resolution proposed to develop an integrated statewide information and referral system so residents can maximize their health purchase; the system will also be used to assess health volunteerism options and provide a network of community health contacts that in times of natural disasters or statewide emergencies could be used to coordinate services and to disseminate information.	The resolution was introduced in the House on January 22, 2007. It was then referred to the Committee on Health, Education, and Social Services, where it is currently being reviewed.		
Arizona H.B. 2041 "An Act amending Section 36-404, Arizona Revised Statutes; relating to health care institutions" Sponsor: Deb Gullett (R) Introduced: 1/15/03	Requires redaction by the Department of Health Services of personally-identifiable information from health records before release to the public, but not before release to the federal government.	The House passed H.B. 2041 on January 28, 2003. The Senate passed it on March 20, 2003.	It was signed by the Governor on March 28, 2003. PASSED	AZ Rev Stat 36-404

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Arkansas H.B. 2241 "An Act to provide for the establishment of the Arkansas health data initiative." Sponsor: Steve Napper (D) Introduced: 3/5/03	Provides for the establishment of the Arkansas Health Data Initiative; makes provisions regarding health care utilization data.	H.B. 2241 was passed by the House on March 24, 2003, and by the Senate on March 31, 2003.	It was signed by the Governor on April 2, 2003. PASSED	Act 1035
Arkansas H.B. 1470 "An Act to Preserve the Confidentiality of Health Data in Arkansas" Sponsor: Gregg Reep (D); Roy Ragland (R) Introduced: 2/8/05	Limits the ability of the Department of Health to release identifiable health information. Preserves the confidentiality of health data in the state.	H.B.1470 was passed by the House on February 11, 2005, and by the Senate on March 22, 2005.	It was signed by the Governor on April 4, 2005. PASSED	Act 1434
California S.B. 189 "Chronic Disease: Environmental Determinants" Sponsor: Martha Escutia (D) Introduced: 2/12/03	Enacts the California Health Tracking Act of 2003. A statewide health tracking network integrating data systems and collaborative programs and partnerships involving environmental and public health professionals and agencies will help target resources more efficiently to those areas most in need.	S.B. 189 was passed by the Senate on June 2, 2003. The bill was introduced in the House on June 2, 2003. Passed by the Senate on September 2, 2003.	It was signed by the Governor on September 16, 2003. PASSED	Cal Health & Saf Code § 104324.25
California A.B. 1676 "Human immunodeficiency virus: maternal and newborn health." Sponsor: John A. Dutra (D) Introduced: 2/21/03	Requires the testing of pregnant women's blood for the presence of HIV and the reporting of positive results to a local health officer; the health care provider is required to ensure that the woman receives appropriate counseling services, materials on which will be developed by the state.	A.B. 1676 passed the Assembly on June 3, 2003 and passed the Senate with amendments on September 9, 2003. The Assembly approved the amendments on September 11, 2003.	It was signed by the Governor on October 9, 2003. PASSED	Chapter 479, Statutes of 2003

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California S.B. 858 "Establishment of the Department of Public Health" Sponsor: Deborah Ortiz (D) Introduced: 2/21/03	States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to establish the Department of Public Health and to realign certain responsibilities between the Department of Public Health and the State Department of Health Services by transferring responsibility for the administration of specified programs to the Department of Public Health.	Passed the Senate on May 22, 2003. On November 30, 2004, it left the Assembly without further action.	None.	
California S.B. 104				
"An act relating to public health" Sponsor: Deborah Ortiz (D) Introduced: 1/20/05	Authorizes local peace officers to enforce the orders of the Department of Health Services and of local health officers for the purpose of preventing the spread of any contagious, infectious, or communicable disease.	S.B. 104 was passed by the Senate on June 1, 2005 and was passed by the Assembly on September 1, 2005.	It was signed by the Governor on October 4, 2005. PASSED	Chapter 478, Statutes of 2005.
California S.B. 162 "State Department of Public Health" Sponsor: Deborah Ortiz (D) Introduced: 2/8/05	This bill would enact the California Public Health Act of 2005, which would, on an unspecified date, establish the State Department of Public Health, to be headed by the State Health Officer to be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate. The bill would transfer the responsibility for certain programs from the State Department of Health Services to the State Department of Public Health, and would make conforming changes.	S.B. 162 was introduced to the Senate on February 8, 2005; On January 26, 2006 it was passed by the Senate and sent to the Assembly. On February 16, 2006 it was sent to the Committee on Health.	None.	
California A.B. 512 "An act relating to clinical laboratories" Sponsor: Keith Richman (R) Introduced: 2/16/05	Authorizes the State Department of Health Services to deny, suspend, or revoke a license or registration of a clinical laboratory for failure to comply with specified disease reporting requirements.	A.B. 512 was passed by the Assembly on May 16, 2005 and by the Senate on August 18, 2005.	It was signed by the Governor on September 6, 2005. PASSED	Chapter 219, Statutes of 2005.
California A.B. 528 "Civil Actions: Public Health and the Environment" Sponsor: Dario Frommer (D) Introduced: 2/16/05	This bill would authorize any person with a beneficial interest in the outcome to commence a civil action against any person, except as specified, to enforce specified laws, including regulations, permits, and orders issued pursuant to those laws, that provide for the protection or enhancement of public health or the environment. The bill would create the Public Health and Environmental Enforcement Fund.	It was introduced to the Assembly on February 16, 2005 and placed in the inactive file on June 2, 2005. Died on the inactive file on January 31, 2006.	None.	

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California A.B. 576 "An act relating to immunizations" Sponsor: Lois Wolk (D) Introduced: 2/16/05	Allows the patient's physician, local health departments, and the Department of Health Services to maintain access to immunization information for the purpose of patient care or for protecting the public's health.	A.B. 576 was passed by the Assembly on May 31, 2005 and was received by the Senate Committee on Health and Judiciary on June 9, 2005. Rereferred to the Committee on February 14, 2006.	None.	
"An act to add Section 6530.5 to the Government Code, relating to the joint exercise of powers" Sponsor: Lois Wolk (D) Introduced: 3/3/05	This bill would authorize the Rumsey Band of Wintun Indians, through its governing body, the Tribal Council, to enter into a joint powers authority created to assist, facilitate, or enhance various environmental, conservation, outdoor recreation, or other public health and safety objectives in Yolo County by entering into a joint powers agreement with the County of Yolo, or the County of Yolo and one or more specified public agencies.	A.B. 1747 was passed by the Assembly on May 5, 2005 and by the Senate on August 31, 2005.	It was vetoed by the Governor on October 7, 2005. On February 23, 2006 consideration of Governor's veto stricken from file.	
California A.B. 1956 "An act to add Chapter 3.7 (commencing with Section 120270) to Part 1 of Division 105 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to communicable diseases" Sponsor: Shirley Horton (R) Introduced: 2/2/06	This bill would attempt to implement an upgraded disease reporting system throughout the state that would allow for syndromic surveillance and more efficient, web-based reporting. After initial pilot testing, the bill would require the Department of Health to recommend the implementation of one system.	A.B. 1956 was introduced on February 2, 2006 and referred to the Committee on Health on February 14, 2006. It was passed in the House on May 31, 2006 and sent to the Senate. On June 8, 2006, it was referred to the Committee on Health.	None.	
California A.B. 2280 "An act to add Section 120846 to the Health and Safety Code, regarding public health" Sponsor: Mark Leno (D) Introduced: 2/22/06	This bill would require the Department of Health to implement a counseling system for all persons receiving HIV testing and would also require consideration of risk assessment, data collection, and prevention education.	A.B. 2280 was introduced on February 22, 2006 and was referred to the Committee on Health on March 2, 2006. It was passed in the House on May 30, 2006, and sent to the Senate.	None.	

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California A.B. 699 "An act to add Section 120155 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to vaccines" Sponsor: Chan Introduced: 2/17/05	This bill would require any manufacturers or distributors of the influenza vaccine to report specified information regarding the supply of the vaccine upon notice from the department. It would further require entities that possess vaccines to cooperate with the local health officer to determine local inventories of the vaccine.	A.B. 699 was introduced on February 17, 2005 and was re- referred to the Committee on Health on January 4, 2006.	It was approved by the Governor and chaptered by the Secretary of State on September 28, 2006. PASSED	
"Authority to contract with private entities for vaccines repealed" Sponsor: Lauri Clapp (R) Introduced: 4/22/03	Repeals the authority of the Department of Public Health and Environment to contract with a private or nonprofit entity to arrange for the cost effective ordering, distribution, and accounting of vaccines.	H.B. 1371 passed the House on May 1, 2003, passed the Senate on May 7, 2003.	It was signed by the Governor on June 3, 2003. PASSED	
Colorado H.B. 06S-1002 "Concerning the provision of health services for all persons in the case of communicable diseases." Sponsor: Cloer Introduced: 7/6/06	Affirms the responsibility of the Department of Health to administer services as pertains to communicable diseases regardless of an individual's race, religion, gender, ethnicity, national origin, or immigration status.	H.B. 06S-1002 was introduced in the House on July 6, 2006 and assigned to the Committee on Business Affairs and Labor.	It was signed by the Governor on July 31, 2006. PASSED	
Colorado S.B. 07-153 "Concerning enforcement of certain orders issued by a local health officer." Sponsor: Senators Morse and Boyd; Representatives Gagliardi, Curry, Labuda, and Levy. Introduced: January 31, 2007	Allows district attorney of the judicial district in which a cause of action arises to bring any civil or criminal action requested by a health officer to abate a condition that exists in violation of the public health laws. Health officers are also expected to establish, maintain, and enforce isolation and quarantine and, if necessary, to exercise such physical control over property as the local board or health officer may find necessary for the protection of the public health.	SB07-153 was passed in the Senate on February 28, 2007, and passed in the House on March 16, 2007.	It was signed by the Governor on April 20, 2007.	

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Colorado SB07-242 Concerning the creation of the existing office of health disparities in the department of public health and environment Sponsors: Groff, Boyd, Fitz-Gerald, Shaffer, Tupa, Veiga, and Williams Introduced: March 26, 2007	The office shall be dedicated to eliminating racial, ethnic, and rural health disparities in Colorado by fostering systems of change and capacity-building through collaboration with multiple sectors impacting minority health and with input from a variety of multicultural professionals.	SB07-242 was passed in the Senate on April 12, 2007, and passed in the House on April 25, 2007.	It was signed by the Governor on May 15, 2007. PASSED	
Hawaii HCR 179 "Epidemic Prevention Program" Sponsor: Tulsi Tamayo (D) Introduced: 3/12/03	Requests the Department of Health to implement an epidemic prevention program to prevent the potential entry of communicable disease vectors that may cause epidemics.	HCR 179 was adopted by the House on April 11, 2003 and the Senate on April 21, 2003. Since April 23, 2003, the resolution has been in a conference committee to resolve differences between House & Senate versions; no progress has been reported.	None.	
Hawaii HCR 73/ H.R. 71 "Turning Point Initiative Partnerships" Sponsor: Dennis A. Arakaki (D) Introduced: 3/10/03	Supports the Turning Point Initiative Partnerships working to improve public health systems; requests the Governor and the Department of Health to explore Hawaii's participation in Turning Point.	The House Committee on Health adopted a report, and referred HCR 73, and companion HR 71 to the House Committee on Finance, where the bill resides.	None.	
Hawaii H.R. 175/SCR 210 "DOH Rules; Temporary Storage of Solid/ Special/ Hazardous Waste" Sponsor: Hermina Morita (H)(D); Melodie Aduja (S)(D) Introduced: 3/24/04	Requests the Director of Health to adopt rules to set a time limit on the storage of solid waste, special waste, and hazardous waste in the state by any person.	HR 175 was offered to the House on March 24, 2004 and was referred to the Energy and Environmental Protection Committee on March 29, 2004. SCR 210 was offered to the Senate on March 24, 2004 and was referred to the Energy and Environment Committee on March 30, 2004.	None.	

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Hawaii S.B. 91 "Epidemiological Investigations" Sponsor: Les Ihara, Jr. (D) Introduced: 1/19/05	Requires the DOH to conduct epidemiologic investigations; requires DOH to consider a complete investigation into the source of health hazards upon the request of five neighborhood residents.	S.B. 91 was introduced to the Senate on January 19, 2005 and was sent to the Committee on Health. It was carried over to the 2006 Regular Session on December 2, 2005.	None.	
Hawaii S.B. 132 "Hospitals; Infections Reporting" Sponsor: David Ige (D) Introduced: 1/20/05	Establishes a task force in the department of health to design a system for reporting hospital-acquired infections to the public.	S.B. 132 was introduced to the Senate on January 20, 2005, where it was held on March 1, 2005. It was carried over to the 2006 Regular Session on December 2, 2005.	None.	
Hawaii S.B. 781/H.B. 672 "Relating to Enforcement of Quarantine" Sponsor: Robert Bunda (S)(D); CalvinSay (H)(D) Introduced: 1/24/05	Clarifies that police officers and sheriffs have the authority and duty to enforce quarantine orders when required by DOH.	S.B. 781 was introduced to the Senate on January 24, 2005 and was passed by the Senate on March 8, 2005. It was passed by the House on April 6, 2005.	The Governor signed the bill on April 25, 2005. PASSED	HRS § 321-1
Hawaii S.B. 2760 Relating to Facilities Damaged due to a Natural Disaster Sponsor: Hooser, English Introduced: 1/25/06	Authorizes counties to condemn and demolish abandoned facilities due to a natural disaster and place a lien on the property for costs incurred.	S.B. 2760 was introduced in the Senate on January 25, 2006 and was referred to WLA, EIA.	None.	
Idaho S.B. 1075 "Public Health" Sponsor: Kent M. Bailey (R) Introduced: 2/6/03	Amends existing law to clarify the authority of the Director of the Department of Health and Welfare to impose, subject to judicial review, orders for isolation and quarantine.	S.B. 1075 was passed by the Senate on February 18, 2003 and by the House on March 28, 2003.	The Governor signed the bill on April 8, 2003. It became effective on July 1, 2003. PASSED	

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"An act relating to immunization requirements" Sponsor: Charles Eberle (R) Introduced: 3/14/03	Requires public health officials to notify any person that vaccination is voluntary and can be refused on religious or other grounds; to require full disclosure of complications from vaccination, and to ensure that schools or other facilities do not deny admittance to anyone who refuses vaccination	H 0368 was introduced in the House on March 14, 2003 and referred to the committee on Health and Welfare.	None.	
Illinois S.B. 1742 "Department of Public Health Act" Sponsor: Barack Obama (D) Introduced: 2/20/03	Amends the Department of Public Health Act. Allows the Dept. to order a person or group of persons to be quarantined or isolated or to order a place to be closed to the public without prior consent or court order if immediate action is required to protect the public health.	S.B. 1742 was passed by the Senate on March 27, 2003, and by the House on May 31, 2003. It died in committee on January 11, 2005.	None.	
"Amends the Communicable Disease Prevention Act" Sponsor: Lawrence M. Walsh (D) Introduced: 2/4/04	Amends the Communicable Disease Prevention Act. Provides that rules adopted by the Department of Public Health concerning immunization of children against preventable communicable diseases must require separate vaccinations for measles, for mumps, and for rubella and may not permit a single vaccination for all 3 diseases.	S.B. 2667 was introduced to the Senate and referred to the Rules Committee on February 4, 2004. It died in committee on January 11, 2005.	None.	
"Health Facility Planning Board Repeal" Sponsor: Kirk W. Dillard (R) Introduced: 7/14/04	Repeals the Illinois Health Facilities Planning Act and abolishes the Health Facilities Planning Board. Amends the Health Care Worker Self-Referral Act to transfer the Board's functions under that Act to the Department of Public Health. Amends various other Acts to eliminate references to the Board or the Act. Effective immediately.	S.B. 3387 was introduced to the Senate on July 14, 2004, and was referred to the Rules Committee. It died in committee on January 11, 2005.	None.	
Illinois H.B. 2331 "Amending rules on AIDS testing" Sponsors: Constance Howard (D) Introduced: 2/19/03	Amends the AIDS Confidentiality Act. Provides that no health care provider may order an HIV test without making specified information available to the person tested. Provides for rapid testing. Makes provisions regarding counseling and disclosure of test results. Provides for notice by health care providers if a positive test result is confirmed pursuant to guidelines set by the Department of Public Health.	H.B. 2331 passed the House on March 25, 2003. It died in committee in the Senate on January 11, 2005.	None.	

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"An Act concerning Health Improvement" Sponsor: Elizabeth Coulson (R) Introduced: 2/4/04	Creates the Statewide Health Improvement Plan Act, which implements certain requirements for the state board of health, including the development of a State Health Improvement Plan. The Plan is required to implement strategies for improving the state public health system with the goal of increasing the health status of Illinois residents. The state department of health is required to appoint representatives from various sectors of the state public health system to a Planning team.	H.B. was introduced to the House on February 4, 2004. It was passed by the House on March 31, 2004 and was passed by the Senate on May 13, 2004	It was signed by the Governor on August 20, 2004. PASSED	Public Act 093-0975
"An Act concerning Public Health" Sponsors: Sara Feigenholtz (D), Sidney H. Mathias (R) Introduced: 2/5/04	Amends the Department of Public Health Act and various other Acts concerning public health emergencies. Contains provisions relating to: quarantine and isolation; physical examinations, tests, and specimen collection; vaccines and medications; destruction of animals and property; access to medical records; syndromic data collection; information sharing; medical disaster plans; emergency personnel; immunity; and other matters. Provides that those persons who are ordered to be isolated or quarantined or who are owners of places that are ordered to be closed shall be given written notice of the order.	H.B. 5164 was introduced to the House on February 5, 2004. The bill was passed by the House on April 2, 2004 and arrived in the Senate on April 6, 2004. It was passed by the Senate on May 11, 2004.	It was signed by the Governor on July 28, 2004. PASSED	Public Act 093-0829
"Amends the Department of Public Health Act" Sponsor: Tom Cross (R) Introduced: 2/6/04	Amends the Department of Public Health Act. Makes technical changes in a Section concerning the powers of the Department, including the power to quarantine and isolate individuals, the transportation of human remains, sanitary practices, and contagious disease control.	H.B. 5985 was introduced to the House on February 6, 2004. It died in committee on January 11, 2005.	None.	
"Creates the Disease and Symptom Complex Surveillance and Reporting Act" Sponsor: Elizabeth Coulson (R) Introduced: 2/9/04	Creates the Disease and Symptom Complex Surveillance and Reporting Act. Requires the Department of Public Health to develop a statewide system for reporting data on disease symptoms and symptom complexes. Provides for confidentiality of information and immunity from liability for reporting entities. Preempts home rule. Amends the State Mandates Act to exempt from reimbursement.	H.B. 6921 was introduced to the House and referred to the Rules Committee on February 9, 2004. It died in committee on January 11, 2005.	None.	

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Illinois H.R. 1130 "Emergency Medical Technician Examinations" Sponsor: Donald L. Moffitt (R), Michael K. Smith (D) Introduced: 7/14/04	Urges the Department of Public Health to immediately take all steps necessary to develop new Emergency Medical Technician examinations.	H.R. 1130 was introduced to the House on July 14, 2004, and was referred to the Rules Committee on July 24, 2004, which recommended that it be adopted.	It was adopted on July 24, 2004.	
Illinois H.B. 615 "Reduction of Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities Act" Sponsor: William Delgado Introduced: 1/31/2005	Requires the Department of Public Health to establish and administer a program of grants to stimulate the development of community-based and neighborhood-based projects that will improve the health outcomes of racial and ethnic populations.	H.B. 615 was introduced to the House on January 31, 2005, and was referred to the Rules Committee. It was passed in the House on March 3, 2005 and sent to the Senate, where it was passed on May 19, 2005.	It was signed by the Governor on August 4, 2005. PASSED	
Illinois H.B. 2344 "Hospital Reports and Department of Public Health Disclosures" Sponsor: Julie Hamos (D) Introduced: 2/16/05	Amends the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law. Authorizes the Department of Public Health to establish reasonable billing rates for certain persons and entities requesting electronic access to patient data collected under the Illinois Health Finance Reform Act. Requires all moneys received by the Department from such billing procedures to be deposited into the Public Health Special State Projects Fund. Provides that the Department shall comply with State and federal laws to protect patient confidentiality.	H.B. 2344 was passed by the House on April 6, 2005. It was passed by the Senate on May 18, 2005.	It was signed by the Governor on August 8, 2005. PASSED	Public Act 094-0501

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"AIDS Confidentiality and AIDS Registry Act" Sponsor: Larry McKeon (D) Introduced: 2/22/05	Amends provisions of the AIDS Confidentiality Act prohibiting the disclosure of the identity of a test subject or the results of a test in a manner that permits identification of the test subject, with specified exceptions. Adds an exception permitting disclosure to local health authorities serving a population of over 1,000,000 residents or other local health authorities designated by the Department of Public Health.	H.B. 3420 was passed by the House on April 7, 2005 and by the Senate on May 16, 2005.	It was signed by the Governor on July 1, 2005. PASSED	Public Act 094-0102
Illinois H.B. 5402	Amounds the Communicable Disease Drayantian Act by			
"Amending the Communicable Disease Prevention Act"	Amends the Communicable Disease Prevention Act by requiring the Department of Public Health to establish the Pandemic Influenza Community Preparedness Grant Program to aid local departments in preparing for an avian	HB 5402 was introduced in the House on January 27, 2006 and referred to the Rules Committee.	None.	
Sponsor: Tom Cross	influenza pandemic.			
Introduced: January 27, 2006				
"Amends Dept of Public Health Powers and Duties Law" Sponsor: LaShawn K. Ford Introduced: February 8, 2007	Amend the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law to provide that it shall conduct a public information campaign for health care providers and others not subject to regulation by the Department, regarding the importance to the public health of conducting HIV screening in health care settings. Provides that the Department shall create and administer a training program for health care providers who have a need for understanding matters relating to HIV and	HB 0980 was introduced on February 8, 2007 and assigned to the Human Services Committee.		
	AIDS in accordance with CDC recommendations.			
Illinois H.B. 0981 "Amends Dept of Public Health Powers and Duties Law to create a Health Data Task Force" Sponsor: Elizabeth Coulson Introduced: February 8, 2007	Amends the Department of Public Health Powers and Duties Law to create the Health Data Task Force to create a linked data system that measures, analyzes, and reports on the health status of Illinois residents.	HB 0981 was introduced on February 8, 2007 and assigned to the Human Services Committee.		
Illinois H.B. 0193 "Amends the School Code and the Communicable Disease Prevention Act" Sponsor: Mary E. Flowers Date: January 19, 2007	Amends the School Code and the Communicable Disease Prevention Act. In a Section of the School Code involving health examinations for children, provides that the Department of Public Health shall adopt rules specifying that testing for the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) be included in health examinations. Requires that the parent or guardian of the child be informed that such testing will be undertaken during the health examination unless the parent or guardian declines for his or her child to be tested for HIV.	Introduced on January 19, 2007 and assigned to Health Care Availability and Access Committee		

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Indiana H.B. 1202 "An act to amend the Indiana Code concerning health" Sponsor: Linda Lawson (D), Scott Reske (D) Introduced: 1/15/04	Public health threats. Requires the state department of health to collect data related to symptoms and health syndromes from outbreaks of disease or other health conditions that may be a danger to public health. Requires a health provider that collects certain data to report these data to the state department of health. Requires a school corporation or an accredited school to report to the local health department the percentage of student absences above a threshold determined by the department of education.	H.B. 1202 was passed by the House on February 5, 2004. It was passed by the Senate on February 24, 2004.	It was signed by the Governor on March 9, 2004 and became law on March 18, 2004. PASSED	Burns Ind. Code Ann. § 16-19-10-8
Indiana H.B. 1103 "Vaccination exemption and disclosure" Sponsor: Cindy Noe (R) Introduced: 1/6/05	Requires the state DOH to prepare and publish forms disclosing the risks and benefits of vaccines and to publish forms allowing an adult or a parent or guardian of a child to exempt the adult or the child from receiving a vaccine. Requires a health care provider to provide a copy of the appropriate forms to an adult and the parent or guardian of a child. Provides that a civil or criminal penalty may not be imposed on an adult or parent or guardian of a child who does not give consent to receive a vaccination.	H.B. 1103 was introduced to the House on January 6, 2005, and was referred to the Committee on Public Health.	None.	
"Bioterrorism vaccination and quarantine" Sponsor: Cindy Noe Introduced: January 19, 2005	Requires the state department of health to publish and distribute forms disclosing the risks and benefits of vaccines against bioterrorism diseases and to publish and distribute forms for vaccination exemption by an adult or a parent or guardian of a child. Requires the quarantine of an individual who has a bioterrorism disease in the residence of the individual or in the least restrictive setting.	H.B. 1606 was introduced to the House on January 19, 2005 and referred to the Committee on Public Health.	None.	
Indiana S.B. 205 "An act to amend the Indiana Code concerning health" Sponsor: Gary M. Dillon (R); Patricia L. Miller (R) Introduced: 1/4/05	Requires the state DOH to develop and implement a health care quality indicator data program. Requires compliance with data collection requirements. Provides for confidentiality of certain information.	S.B. 205 was introduced to the Senate on January 4, 2005, and was assigned to the Committee on Appropriations on February 17, 2005.	None.	

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Indiana S.B. 468 "An act to amend the Indiana Code concerning health" Sponsor: Ronnie J. Alting (R) Introduced: 1/18/05	Health entity infection rate reporting. Requires the state department of health to develop methods of data collection, analysis, and publication related to health entity acquired infection rates. Requires health entities to report infection rate data.	S.B. 468 was introduced to the Senate on January 18, 2005, and was referred to the Committee on Health and Provider Services.	None.	
Indiana H.B. 1235 "An act to amend the Indiana Code concerning health." Sponsor: Bill Ruppel Introduced: January 12, 2006	Establishes the procedure for a public health authority to obtain or issue an order to restrict the movement of an individual in the least restrictive manner when there is evidence that the individual has been exposed to a communicable disease, and requires a public health authority to distribute certain information to the public.	H.B. 1235 was introduced on January 12, 2006 and was referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.	It was signed by the Governor on March 23, 2006 and became law on April 24, 2006. PASSED	
Indiana H.B. 1262 "An act to amend the Indiana Code concerning health." Sponsor: Welch Introduced: January 10, 2006	Establishes the procedure for a public health authority to obtain or issue an order to restrict the movement of an individual in the least restrictive manner when there is evidence that the individual has been exposed to a communicable disease. It also provides that a person or provider that meets certain criteria is immune from civil liability from an act or omission in providing health care services during an isolation of certain individuals.	H.B. 1262 was introduced on January 10, 2006 and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.	None.	
Indiana H.B. 1283 "An act to amend the Indiana Code concerning health." Sponsor: Noe Introduced: January 10, 2006	Requires the state department of health to publish and distribute forms disclosing the risks and benefits of vaccines and medications against epidemic, pandemic, or bioterrorism diseases; and forms for vaccination and treatment exemption by an adult or parent or guardian of a child.	H.B. 1283 was introduced on January 10, 2006 and was referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security.	None.	

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Indiana H.B. 1361 "An act to amend the Indiana Code concerning health" Sponsors: Bell, Hinkle, Burton Introduced: January 16, 2007	Generally, state law requires that before a person administers a vaccine that contains more than a trace amount of mercury, the person must inform the person who will be vaccinated that there are alternatives to mercury preserved vaccines. The bill allows the state department of health to suspend this requirement during a public health emergency or an epidemic. It provides that a health care practitioner may be subject to disciplinary sanctions for	Introduced on January 16, 2007 and referred to the Committee on Public Health.		
Kansas S.B. 397 "An act concerning the secretary of health and the environment" Sponsor: Committee on Public Health and Welfare	An act concerning the secretary of health and environment; providing for the establishment of an electronic communicable disease reporting system; establishing criteria for the system.	S.B. 397 was introduced to the Senate on January 29, 2004 and was referred to the Committee on Public Health and Welfare. It died in Committee on May 27, 2004.	None.	
Introduced: 1/29/04 Kansas H.B. 2264 "An act relating to public health" Sponsor: Appropriations Committee Introduced: 2/2/05	Concerns the department of health and environment; concerns infectious and contagious diseases, use of quarantine and isolation for minors and persons over 18 or emancipated minors who refuse vaccination; requires tuberculosis evaluations for certain students.	H.B. 2264 was passed by the House on March 22, 2005 and was passed by the Senate on March 31, 2005.	The Governor signed the bill on April 12, 2005. PASSED	K.S.A. 65-129
Kansas S.B. 178 "An Act concerning cancer registry; relating to confidential data" Sponsor: N/A Introduced: 2007 session	Provides new authority to the Secretary of Health and Human Environment to authorize the use of confidential data in the Cancer Registry for the State of Kansas to conduct follow up cases for public health purposes. Such data could be used only following contact with individuals who are the subject of reports made to the Registry and with their consent (or the consent of a parent or legal guardian).	Introduced in the 2007 session and referred to the Committee on Public Heatlh and Welfare.		

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Louisiana H.B. 1321 "Creates an environmental health surveillance system" Sponsor: Karen Carter (D) Introduced: 3/28/03	Creates an Environmental Health Surveillance System to develop a database to evaluate environmental factors, including physical, biological and social factors.	H.B. 1321 passed the House on May 12, 2003 and passed the Senate on June 10, 2003.	The Governor signed the bill on June 27, 2003. PASSED	Act 666
Louisiana H.B. 889 "Sanitary Code" Sponsor: Cheryl Gray (D) Introduced: 3/19/04	Provides for the assessment of fines and penalties against those who violate the sanitary code, particularly related to provisions regarding isolation and quarantine.	H.B. 889 passed the House on April 16, 2004 and passed the Senate on June 21, 2004.	It was signed by the Governor on July 6, 2004. PASSED	Act 772
Maine H.P. 955/LD1301 "Public Health Commission" Sponsor: Scott W. Cowger (D) Introduced: 3/11/03	Establishes the Maine Public Health Commission to develop a legislative proposal for a regional public health system to improve and protect the public health. Proposals must be integrated with current or any proposed health care system in the State.	H.P. 955 was recommended against by the Joint Committee on Health and Human Services. The bill is now dead.	None.	
Maine S.P. 175/535 "An Act To Strengthen Health Data Information and Health Planning" Sponsor: Karl Turner (D) Introduced: 2/6/03	Creates the Health Planning Commission; concerns development of statewide comprehensive health care plan; requires maintenance and integration of new information and data from sources both inside and outside the State; provides for public access including posting data on the Internet; requires submission of data from all health care payers, carriers, 3rd party administrators and providers.	S.P. 175 was introduced on February 6, 2003 and was referred to the Joint Committee on Health and Human Services. The bill is now dead.	None.	
Maine S.P. 730/LD1884 "An Act to Strengthen the Enforcement Provisions of the Maine Health Data Organization" Sponsor: Michael Brennan (S)(D); William Earle (H)(D) Introduced: 2/26/04	Requires the board to adopt rules concerning protected health information and encourages the safeguarding of such information.	S.P. 730 passed the House on April 12, 2004 and passed the Senate on April 13, 2004.	It was signed by the Governor on April 22, 2004. PASSED	

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Maine S.P. 494/LD1405 "An Act Concerning the Control of Communicable Diseases" Sponsor: Arthur F. Mayo (D) Introduced: 3/22/05	Concerns control of communicable diseases in the following ways: removes the repeal of the laws regarding the ability of the DOH and Human Services to respond to an extreme public health emergency; allows for isolation and quarantine in a private home.	S.P. 494 was introduced to the Senate on March 22, 2005 and was passed by both the House and Senate on June 9, 2005.	It was signed by the Governor on June 13, 2005. PASSED	Chapter 383
Maine LD1179 "An Act to provide regional coordination and planning for public health programs and activities" Sponsor: Christopher Barstow Introduced: 3/8/07	The bill would create regional public health coordinating councils to contribute to comprehensive public health planning in the State . Specific efforts would entail a public health needs assessment of the region; development of a comprehensive public health plan, including needs, goals, strategies for improvement and performance indicators for the regions; and the provision of annual reports to the county commissioners of the region.	LD1179 was introduced in the House on Mary 8, 2007, initially referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then later died in the Senate on May 22, 2007.		
Massachusetts S.B. 2157 "Antiquated Public Health Laws" Sponsor: Richard T. Moore (D) Introduced: 11/24/03	Repeals certain antiquated laws pertaining to public health; amends definitions of article of food, bakery, cold storage of food, refrigerating or cold storage warehouses and the commissioner of the department of public health.	S.B. 2157 was introduced on November 24, 2003 as a new version of S.B. 615. Passed by the Senate on March 4, 2004. Sent to the House on March 8, 2004.	None.	
Massachusetts H.B. 746 "An Act relative to Immunity" Sponsor: Eugene O'Flaherty (D) Introduced: 1/5/05	Provides that no health care provider administering immunization or vaccination under public health programs shall be liable in a civil suit for damages as a result of any defect in the immunization or vaccine or any unavoidable risk attendant upon such immunization or vaccine.	H.B. 746 was introduced to the House on January 5, 2005 and was assigned to the Joint Committee on Public Health.	None.	
Massachusetts H.B. 1633 "An Act Relative to Infectious Disease Control" Sponsor: Gale D. Candaras (D) Introduced: 1/5/05	Allows any person exposed to the blood or other bodily fluid of an offending person to seek a court order compelling: (1) the production of medical, insurance, or other records to determine the presence of any infectious disease in the blood or other bodily fluid of the offending person; and (2) the testing of the offender's blood for infectious disease.	H.B. 1633 was introduced to the House on January 5, 2005 and was referred to the Joint Committee on Public Health, which found on June 15, 2005 that it ought not to pass.	None.	

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Massachusetts H.B. 2649 "An Act to Standardize Health Data Collection and Assessment" Sponsor: Gloria L. Fox (D) Introduced: 1/5/05	Implements data collection guidelines for hospitals in the state; requires hospitals to report patient treatment and outcomes by race, ethnicity, and primary language to the Department of Public Health.	H.B. 2649 was introduced to the House on January 5, 2005 and was assigned to the Joint Committee on Public Health.	None.	
Massachusetts H.B. 2743 "Hospital Infections Disclosure Act" Sponsor: Geoffrey Hall (D) Introduced: 1/5/05	Provides that individual hospitals shall collect data on hospital-acquired infection rates for the specific clinical procedures determined by the Department by regulation and submit quarterly reports on their hospital-acquired infection rates to the Department.	H.B. 2743 was introduced to the House on January 5, 2005 and was assigned to the Joint Committee on Public Health.	None.	
Massachusetts H.B. 3893 "An Act Prioritizing Risks to Public Health" Sponsor: Douglas Petersen (D) Introduced: 1/5/05	The purpose of this act is to require identification of priority environmental and/or public health risks in the commonwealth so that the government resources of the commonwealth may be applied effectively to reduce these risks.	H.B. 2743 was introduced to the House on January 5, 2005 and was assigned to the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources.	None.	
Michigan H.B. 4605 "A bill to amend the Public Health Code" Sponsor: Stephen Adamini (D) Introduced: 4/13/05	Requires release of health records pertaining to communicable diseases, HIV, or AIDS to comply with HIPAA regulations.	H.B. 4605 was introduced to the House on April 13, 2005, and was referred to the Committee on Health Policy.	None.	

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Minnesota H.B. 1507 "Quarantine and isolation provisions" Sponsor: Jim Abeler (R) Introduced: 3/3/05	Relates to provisions for isolation and quarantine of persons exposed to or infected with a communicable disease; provides that a peace officer may use force if a person resists and act upon telephone, facsimile, or other electronic notification of a quarantine order; provides for notification and hearings; provides exemption from liability for vaccinations.	H.B. 1507 was introduced to the House on March 3, 2005, was passed by the House on May 13, 2005, and was passed by the Senate on May 19, 2005.	The Governor signed the bill on June 2, 2005. PASSED	Chapter 149
Mississippi H.B. 1440 "Contagious Disease" Sponsor: Omeria Scott (D) Introduced: 1/17/05	To require the state department of health to conduct periodic workshops in local areas where high instances of contagious and infectious disease occur.	H.B. 1440 was introduced to the House on January 17, 2005 and was referred to the Committee on Public Health and Human Services. Died in Committee on February 1, 2005.	None.	
Mississippi H.B. 662 Amending Section 41-23-37 to exclude from attendance, if there is an outbreak, any child who is not vaccinated against a vaccine-preventable disease Sponsor: Joey Fillingane Introduced: 1/10/06	Provides that if there is an outbreak of a vaccine-preventable disease at a school, to exclude from attendance any child who is not vaccinated against that disease until the disease incubation period has expired or the unvaccinated child presents evidence of vaccination; and for related purposes.	H.B. 662 was introduced to the House on January 10, 2006. It was referred to the Committee on Public Health and Human Services. It died in Committee on January 31, 2006.	None.	
Mississippi H.B. 1387 An Act to include pandemics and epidemics within the definition of the term 'natural emergency' for purposes of the state emergency management law Sponsor: Moss Introduced: February 8, 2007	Provides that natural emergencies shall include 'epidemics' and 'pandemics' and encourages the use of intra- and interstate health care providers to assist in the performance of vaccination, treatment, examination, or testing of any individuals pursuant to their licensure, including civil liability protections for any acts or omissions in the course of rendering such services.	Introduced on February 8, 2007 and referred to the Committee on Public Health and Welfare.		

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Montana S.B. 160 "State Department of Public Health Strategic Plan" Sponsor: John Cobb (R) Introduced: 1/7/03	Requires the Department of Public Health and Human Services to develop strategic plans that contain performance measures; Describes criteria for performance measures and requirements for data collection and reporting; outlining legislative and agency use of performance measures.	S.B. 160 was passed by the Senate on February 14, 2003 and by the House on March 18, 2003.	The Governor signed the bill on March 31, 2003 and it became law on July 1, 2003. PASSED	Chapter 185
Montana L.C. 0592/SB153 "Department of Public Health" Sponsor: John Cobb (R) Introduced: 11/1/04	Relates to the Department of Public Health and Health and Human Services performance indicators.	Draft request was received on November 1, 2004.	None.	
Montana LC 0132 "Public health law modernization" Sponsor: Requester: Children, Families, Health, and Human Services Interim Committee; Drafter: Susan Fox Introduced: 6/30/04	Relates to public health law modernization.	Draft request was received on June 30, 2004. The draft was placed on hold on September 1, 2004, and was cancelled on November 8, 2004.	None.	
Montana HB92 "An Act modernizing public health statutes" Sponsor: E. Franklin Introduced: December 18, 2006	The bill provides a public health policy statement, revises the powers and duties of the department of public health and human services, local boards of health, and local health officers, and encourages greater collaboration among and between entities in the public health system. Amended definitions include, among others, "condition of public health importance," "local public health agency," and "public health system."	HB92 was introduced on December 18, 2006, passed by the House on February 27, 2007, and concurred by the Senate on March 21, 2007.	The Governor signed the bill on April 5, 2007. PASSED	
Nevada S.B. 82 "Public Health Laws" Sponsor: Committee on Human Resources and Facilities; Chair: Raymond Rawson (R) Introduced: 2/11/03	Establishing procedures for the isolation or quarantine of persons or groups with communicable diseases; prohibits a health authority from requiring a person to be involuntarily treated without a court order; and requires the State Board of Health to develop a syndromic reporting and active surveillance system for monitoring public health.	S.B. 82 was passed by the Senate on April 3, 2003 and by the House on May 23. 2003.	The Governor signed the bill on June 9, 2003. PASSED	Chapter 384

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New Hampshire H.B. 628 "Authority of law enforcement officers" Sponsor: William V. Knowles (D) Introduced: 1/26/05	Authorizes law enforcement officers to close an area for the purpose of abating a threat to the public health and safety and authorizes law enforcement to order unauthorized persons not to enter or to leave such an area.	H.B. 628 was introduced to the House on January 26, 2005, was passed by the House on March 23, 2005., and was passed by the Senate on May 26, 2005.	It was signed by the Governor on June 30, 2005. PASSED	Chapter 0192
New Hampshire S.B. 399 "Powers of the state government in the event of an incident or outbreak of communicable disease." Sponsor: Robert E. Clegg Jr. Introduced: March 22, 2006	The Commissioner of the Department of Health and Human Services, with the written approval of the Governor, has the power to close public places during an incident or outbreak of communicable disease.	H.B. 399 was introduced to the House on Wednesday, March 22, 2006 and referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services & Elderly Affairs. It was passed by the House on May 4, 2006.	None.	
New Hampshire S.B. 0102 An Act relating to the powers of state government in the event of an incident or outbreak of communicable disease. Sponsor: Cleg, Letourneau, Gatsas, Kenney, Downing, Batula, Kurk, Whalley, Hess, Beencourt Introduced: January 4, 2007	The commissioner of the department of health and human services may decontaminate any building when there is "reasonable cause to believe the building may present an imminent danger to the public health due to an incident or outbreak of communicable disease that threatens to become epidemic or pandemic." He may also "cause any material located within or on the grounds of such building to be decontaminated or destroyed when there is a reasonable cause to believe that the material may present imminent danger to public health." The closure of any buildings shall also be by the least restrictive means possible.	SB0102 was introduced on January 4, 2007, passed the Senate on April 5, 2007, and is being retained by the House in a Subcommittee Work Session as of August 7, 2007.		
New Jersey A.B. 2644 "An Act concerning patient infections in hospitals" Sponsor: Christopher Connors (R) Introduced: 5/3/04	Requires hospitals to report information about patient infections to DHSS, specifically nosocomial infections.	A.B. 2644 was introduced to the Assembly on May 3, 2004 and was referred to the Health and Human Services Committee.	None.	

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New Jersey A.B. 3885 "Task Force on Public Health Workforce" Sponsor: Francis J. Blee (R), Robert L. Morgan (D) Introduced: 2/24/05	Establishes "Task Force on New Jersey's Public Health Workforce" in DHSS.	A.B. 3885 was introduced to the Assembly on February 24, 2005 and was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.	None.	
New Jersey A667 "An Act concerning patient infections in hospitals" Sponsor: Christopher Connors (R) Introduced: 1/10/06	Requires hospitals to report information about patient infections to DHSS, specifically nosocomial infections.	A667 was introduced to the Assembly on January 10, 2006 and was referred to the Assembly Health and Senior Services Committee.	None.	
New Jersey A745 "Task Force on Public Health Workforce" Sponsor: Francis J. Blee (R), John J. Berzichelli Introduced: 1/10/06	Establishes "Task Force on New Jersey's Public Health Workforce" in DHSS.	A745 was introduced to the Assembly on January 10, 2006 and was referred to the Assembly Health and Senior Services Committee.	None.	
New Mexico HJM 30 "Develop Public Health Code Recommendations" Sponsor: Jim Trujillo (D) Introduced: 1/26/04	Requests that the New Mexico Department of Health study the Turning Point Act, New Mexico's public health statutes, and make recommendations to update and improve the state's public health laws to the interim legislative health and human services committee by November 2004	HJM 30 was introduced on January 26, 2004 and passed in the House on February 6, 2004 and was sent to the Senate Public Affairs Committee, which issued a do pass report on February 16, 2004.	None.	

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New Mexico H.B. 709 "Interstate compact on communicable diseases" Sponsor: Joseph Cervantes (D) Introduced: 2/2/05	Aims to provide the necessary legal basis for the appropriate care and treatment of the persons with threatening communicable diseases under a system that recognizes the paramount importance of patient welfare.	H.B. 709 was introduced to the House on February 2, 2005 and was passed by the House on March 11, 2005. It was then referred to the Senate, where it died.	None.	
New Mexico S.B. 16 "Limited Liability in Emergency Situations" Sponsor: Steve Komadina Introduced: First Session, 2007	Affords limited civil liability to a person who voluntarily provides goods or services to another person for an emergency situation declared by the governor.	The bill is currently under review by the Senate Judiciary Committee.		
New Mexico S.B. 22 "Health Care Provider Emergency Liability" Sponsor: Steve Komadina Introduced: First Session, 2007	Provides limited liability for licensed health care providers during a public health emergency.	The bill is currently under review by the Senate Judiciary Committee.		
New York S.B. 970 "Health Officers" Sponsor: Hugh T. Farley (R) Introduced: 1/24/03	Authorizes health officers to conduct physical examinations of persons believed to be afflicted with communicable diseases who pose danger of infection to others.	On January 24, 2003, S.B. 970 was referred to the Senate Committee on Health. The bill was re-referred to the Senate Committee on Health on January 7, 2004, where it currently resides.	None.	
New York S.B. 1692 "County Authority for Mutual Aid Compacts" Sponsor: May Lou Rath (R) Introduced: 2/10/03	Authorizes any county, acting through the legislative body of such county, to enter into mutual aid compacts with one or more other counties; provides that such compacts might include, but not be limited to, natural and man made disasters, epidemic or terrorist activities.	On June 17, 2003, S.B. 1692 passed the Senate and on June 19, 2003 passed the House.	The Governor signed S.B. 1692 into law on August 5, 2003. PASSED	

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New York A.O. 4295 "An act to amend the public health law, etc., in relation to creating the environmental tracking system" Sponsor: David Koon (D) Introduced: 2/13/03	Provides for the development of an environmental health tracking system in the Department of Health with cooperation from the departments of environmental conservation and labor; purpose is to gather various environmental data to correlate with disease data.	On February 13, 2003, AO 4295 was referred to the Assembly Committee on Health. On June 8, 2004 it was re-referred to the Rules Committee.	None.	
New York A.B. 969 "Provides for the development of an environmental health tracking system" Sponsor: David Koon (D) Introduced: 1/18/05	Provides for the development of an environmental health tracking system within the department of health with cooperation from the departments of environmental conservation and labor; provides that the purpose is to gather various environmental data to correlate with disease data; requires the cooperation of the state university of New York school of public health at Albany and Buffalo.	A.B. 969 passed the Assembly on May 9, 2005 and died in the Senate on January 4, 2006. It was returned to the Assembly on January 4, 2006 where it remains.	None.	
New York A.B. 4122 "Requires the reporting of patient data" Sponsor: Richard Gottfried (D) Introduced: 2/9/05	Requires the reporting of patient data including the identification of patients transferred, admitted or treated subsequent to a medical, surgical or diagnostic procedure by a licensed health care professional at a site or facility specified to the statewide planning and research cooperative system.	A.B. 4122 passed the Assembly on May 16, 2005 and passed the Senate on June 22, 2005.	The Governor signed the bill on August 9, 2005. PASSED	Chapter 440
New York S4082 "Communicable diseases; control of dangerous and careless patients" Sponsor: N/A Introduced: January 4, 2006	Provides that whenever a complaint is made by a physician to a health officer that any person is afflicted with a communicable disease and is unable or unwilling to conduct oneself as not to expose members of his or her family or other persons to danger of infection, the health officer shall investigate the circumstances and upon subsequent determinations, a magistrate may commit the person to any hospital or institution established for the care of persons suffering from any such communicable disease.	S482 was introduced on January 4, 2006 and was referred to the Committee on Health.	None.	

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New York A4217/S6691 "An act to amend the public health law, in relation to restricting the disclosure of health care information" Sponsor: Felix Ortiz Introduced: January 4, 2006	No person shall disclose health care information or personal information to a person who engages in the business of accessing and compiling information for commercial purposes or whose use of such information will be in connection with the marketing of a product or service without the explicit written authorization of the data subject.	A4217 was introduced in the House in the current session on January 4, 2006 and referred to the Committee on Health.	None.	
New York A03146 Relates to the status of health care practitioner volunteers as employees of the state Sponsor: Introduced: January 23, 2007	Provides that a health care practitioner volunteer be deemed an employee for the purposes of the public officers law with respect to acts within the scope of participation in the program.	Introduced on January 23, 2007, referred to the Committee on Health; and referred to the Ways and Means Committee on February 13, 2007.		
New York A08098/S04021A "An Act to amend public health law in relation to pandemic flu and public health emergency preparedness" Sponsor: Gottfried, Schimminger, Bing (A08098); Hannon, Little (S04021A) Introduced: May 4, 2007 (A08098); March 23, 2007 (S04021A)	Amends public health law to include electronic reporting of disease and specimen collection. All reports shall be sent electronically to the department of health consistent with national health information standards promulgated by the federal CDC and DHHS.	A08098 was substituted by S4021A, which was delivered to the Governor on July 6, 2007.	The Governor signed the bill on July 18, 2007. PASSED	
North Carolina H.B. 1004/ S.B. 672 "Strengthen Public Health Infrastructure" Sponsor: Jeffrey Barnhart (H)(R); Fletcher Hartsell, Jr. (S)(R) Introduced: 4/9/03 (H); 4/1/03 (S)	Improves the quality and accountability of the public health system by strengthening the public health infrastructure, developing State and local comprehensive public health plans, and improves the public health workforce by enhancing collaboration with public and private sector entities.	On April 10, 2003, H.B. 1004 was referred to the House Committee on Health. On April 2, 2003, S.B. 672 was referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Human Resources. The Bill has passed a third reading and was sent to the House, where it was referred to committee on July 10, 2003.	None.	

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North Carolina S.B. 804 "Improve Public Health Infrastructure" Sponsor; Fletcher Hartsell, Jr. (R) Introduced: 3/22/05	Improves public health infrastructure by establishing an accreditation system for local public health departments.	S.B. 804 was introduced to the Senate on March 22, 2005 and was passed on May 5, 2005. It was passed by the House on August 24, 2005.	The Governor signed the bill on September 8, 2005. PASSED	Ch. SL 2005- 369
North Carolina H.B. 123 An Act authorizing the State Health Director to share Emergency Department data with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for public health purposes Sponsor: Glazier Introduced: February 8, 2007	For the purpose of ensuring the protection of the public health, the State Health Director shall develop a syndromic surveillance program for hospital emergency departments to detect and investigate public health threats that may result from (i) a terrorist incident using nuclear, biological, or chemical agents or (ii) an epidemic or infectious, communicable, or other disease. The State Health Director shall specify the data to be reported by hospitals pursuant to this program.	Introduced on February 8, 2007 and re-ferred to Committee on Health on February 15, 2007.		
North Dakota HCR 3054 "Public Health Units" Sponsor: Clara Sue Price (H)(R); Judy Lee (S)(R) Introduced: 2/17/03	Directs the Legislative Council to study the state's public health unit infrastructure and the ability of the public health units to respond to public health issues; includes disease and other physical health, environmental, and disaster-related issues.	HCR 3054 was adopted by the House on March 3, 2003, and by the Senate on March 21, 2003.	PASSED	
Oregon S.B. 145 "Public Health Policy of Oregon" Sponsor: Senate Pres. Peter Courtney (D)(on behalf of Gov.) Introduced: 1/14/03	Declares public health policy of Oregon; creates Interim Public Health Assessment and Improvement Advisory Committee. The committee shall assess local capacity to provide basic public health services, considering methods for improved policies and structures to increase effectiveness and efficiency in providing public health services and developing a plan to close gaps in local public health services.	S.B. 145 was passed by the Senate on March 24, 2003. On March 25, 2003, the bill was referred to the House. On August 27, 2003, the bill was reported as in Committee upon adjournment.	None.	

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Ohio S.B. 6/ H.B. 6 "Modifications of Powers and Duties" Sponsor: Steve Stivers (R) Introduced: 1/23/03	Modifies the powers and duties of the Department of Health, Public Health Council, and boards of health relative to bioterrorism and other public health matters; Provides that "protected health information" obtained by the state is confidential and cannot be released without the individual's written consent, except under specified circumstances such as to avert a clear threat to the public's health; Expands reporting requirements for health care entities.	H.B. 6, passed in the House on June 23, 2003 and was passed in the Senate on October 15, 2003.	It was signed by the Governor on November 13, 2003. The bill will be effective on February 12, 2004. PASSED	Sec. 3710 et. seq.
Oregon H.B. 2120 "Public Health Policy of Oregon" Sponsor: Karen Minnis (R) Introduced: 1/13/03	Requires local coordinated comprehensive plans to reference local service plans for delivery of mental health services and local public health plans.	H.B. 2120 was passed by the House on May 7, 2003 and passed by the Senate on June 20, 2003.	The Governor signed the bill on July 8, 2003 and it was chaptered on July 10, 2003. PASSED	Chapter 650, (2005 Laws)
Oregon S.B. 541 "Task Force on Electronic Medical Records" Sponsor: Frank Morse (R) Introduced: 2/10/05	Creates a Task Force on Electronic Medical Records.	S.B. 541 was introduced to the Senate on February 10, 2005 and passed on May 9, 2005. It is currently in the House Committee on Budget.	None.	
Oregon S.B. 607 "Relating to public health services" Sponsor: Jeff Kruse (R) Introduced: 2/16/05	Specifies that Department of Human Services has direct supervision of matters relating to control of preventable diseases and disorders. Directs local public health authorities to adopt nationally recognized standards for public health performance. Provides process for district and county public health administrators to obtain warrant to enter upon property.	S.B. 607 was introduced to the Senate on February 16, 2005 and was referred to the Committee on Health Policy on February 21, 2005.	None.	

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Oregon H.B. 2378 "Relating to licensure of volunteer physicians; and declaring an emergency." Sponsor: Burley Introduced: January 11, 2007	Requires Board of Medical Examiners to establish procedure for issuing limited volunteer physician licenses to retired out-of-state physicians. Establishes criteria for licensure. Prohibits limited volunteer physician licensees from receiving compensation for providing medical services. Requires board to adopt certain rules.			
Oregon H.B. 2185 "Relating to public health; new provisions." Sponsor: N/A Introduced: January 10, 2007	Defines duties of Public Health Director, and adopts definitions and rules relating to conditions of public health importance, disease outbreaks, epidemics, and isolation/quarantine measures.	HB 2185 was passed by the House on May 16, 2007, and passed by the Senate on May 25, 2007.		
Pennsylvania S.B. 1258 "Newborn Child Testing Act of 1965" Sponsor: Jane C. Orie (R), Jay Costa Jr. (D) Introduced: 11/5/04	An Act amending the act of September 9, 1965, known as the Newborn Child Testing Act, further providing for newborn child screening and testing.	S.B. 1258 was introduced to the Senate on November 5, 2004 and was referred to Public Health and Welfare.	None.	
Texas H.B. 9 "An act relating to homeland security" Sponsor: Florence Shapiro (S)(R) Introduced: 3/3/03	Establishing infrastructure to respond to terrorist events, and amending the health code to require greater reporting of certain diseases, prescription rates for medications, and animal diseases by doctors, nurses, pharmacists, and veterinarians.	Passed by House April 1, 2003. Amended and passed by Senate May 21, 2003. Conference version signed by both houses on June 2, 2003.	Signed by the Governor June 22, 2003 and effective immediately. PASSED	

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Texas H.B. 2988/ S.B. 355 "Public Health Preparedness" Sponsor: Jaime Capelo (H)(D); Kyle Janek (S)(R) Introduced: 3/14/03	Relates to public health preparedness. While many provisions pertain to public health emergencies, some generally afford the department of public health authority prior to a public health emergency. This includes provisions allowing for investigations of the existence of communicable disease; formulate and evaluate the control measures used to protect the public health; and protect health data privacy.	H.B. 2988 was passed by the House on May 2, 2003. Companion bill S.B. 355 was passed by the Senate on May 19, 2003 and was reported favorably from the Public Health Committee on May 21, 2003.	None.	
Texas H.B. 27 "Right to refuse vaccinations" Sponsor: Jaime Capelo (D) Introduced: 9/12/03	Relates to the right to refuse certain immunizations if those immunizations conflict with medical indications or religious convictions.	Referred to the House Committee on Public Health on September 15, 2003, where it resides.	None.	
Texas H.B. 3126 Composition and authority of the statewide health coordinating council and department of health Sponsor: Vicki Truitt (R) Introduced: 3/14/03	Among other measures, relates to the composition and authority of the statewide health coordinating council, and certain health planning data collected by the department of health.	H.B. 3126 was passed by the House on May 5, 2003, and passed by the Senate on May 20, 2003.	The Governor signed the bill on June 20, 2003. PASSED	
Utah H.B. 129 Amends the Communicable Diseases, Treatment, Isolation, and Quarantine procedures Sponsor: Bradley G. Last Introduced: 1/19/06	Amend definitions, requires orders of restrictions to use the least intrusive options and shortest period of time, specifies the required notice and rights for individuals subject to an order of restriction, requires judicial review when consent is not obtained, requires law enforcement to assist with enforcement, requires health professionals and facilities to provide medical records relevant to the orders of restriction and establishes reasonable charges for the records.	H.B. 129 was passed by the House on February 17, 2006, and passed by the Senate on March 1, 2006.	The Governor signed the bill on March 15, 2006. PASSED	
Vermont H.B. 142 "Communicable and Infectious Disease" Sponsor: Harry Chen (D) Introduced: 1/31/05	Requires informed consent to test for communicable and infectious diseases except where a health care worker has been significantly exposed to the bodily fluids of a patient suspected of possible disease infection.	H.B. 142 was introduced to the House on January 31, 2005 and referred to the Committee on Human Services on February 1, 2005.	None.	

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Virginia H.B. 2236 "Hospitals sharing patient health data" Sponsor: John M. O'Bannon (R) Introduced: 1/11/05	Requires the Board of Health to implement regulations that require hospitals to have interoperability and sharing of patient health data through common data reporting formats and standardized methods of transmission while maintaining privacy protections. The law will not go into effect unless it is reenacted by the 2006 General Assembly.	H.B. 2236 was passed by the House on February 7, 2005 and by the Senate on February 22, 2005.	It was signed by the Governor on March 21, 2005. PASSED	§ 32.1-127 of the Code of Virginia
Virginia H.B. 2519/ S.B. 1132 "Virginia Immunization Information System" Sponsor: John M. O'Bannon (R)(H); Janet D. Howell (D)(S) Introduced: 1/12/05	Requires the Board of Health to establish the Virginia Immunization Information System, a statewide immunization registry that consolidates patient immunization histories from birth to death into a complete, accurate, and definitive record that may be made available to participating health care providers throughout Virginia. The bill also establishes the criteria for disclosure of protected health information to VIIS,	H.B. 2519 was passed by the House on February 8, 2005 and by the Senate on February 22, 2005.	It was signed by the Governor on March 23, 2005. PASSED	§ 32.1-46 of the Code of Virginia
Washington S.B. 5495 "Environmental Health Tracking System" Sponsor: Karen Keiser (D) Introduced: 1/28/03	Establishes an environmental health tracking system to improve coordination between the use and analysis of available data as they pertain to environmental health issues or accessibility of this information by interested parties and researchers.	S.B. 5495 was referred to the Senate Committee on Health and Long Term Care on January 28, 2003. The Bill was reintroduced and retained in special session in June 2003 and again in January 2004.	None.	
Washington H.B. 1817 "Prohibiting the alteration of health care information" Sponsor: Laura Ruderman (D) Introduced: 2/11/03	Provides that health care providers and others shall not change or otherwise revise the original reporting of the patient's diagnosis, treatment, etc., or the record containing such documentation except to expand or broaden the accuracy of the record content.	Referred to the Committee on Health Care on February 11, 2003. The Bill was reintroduced and retained in special session in June 2003 and again in January 2004.	None.	

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Washington S.B. 6366 "Concerning preparation and response to pandemic influenza" Sponsor: Karen Keiser, Pat Thibaudeau, and Adam Kline Introduced: 1/11/06	Provides that a plan must prioritize and address a list of issues enumerated in the bill, including public education, disease surveillance, communication systems, vaccination protocols, and strategies to maintain health care and other essential community services.	S.B. 6366 was passed in the House on March 3, 2006, and was passed in the Senate on March 8, 2006.	It was signed by the Governor on March 15, 2006. PASSED	
Washington H.B. 1850 "Creating a retired volunteer medical worker license" Sponsor: Shay Schual-Berke and Eileen Cody Introduced: 2/8/05, reintroduced 1/9/06	Provides that the Secretary of State may issue volunteer medical worker licenses to individuals who are now retired but once held licenses and do not have any restrictions due to prior violations of the Uniform Disciplinary Act, and also register with a local emergency services organization. The bill also affords immunity from civil liability.	H.B. 1850 was passed in the House on January 27, 2006, and was passed in the Senate on February 27, 2006.	It was signed by the Governor on March 15, 2006. PASSED	
Wisconsin S.B. 287 "An act relating to: establishing multiple municipal local health departments in Milwaukee County and citycity local health departments" Sponsor: Mary Lazich (R) Introduced: 10/21/03	This bill authorizes the governing body of a city or village in Milwaukee County to establish, in concert with the governing body of another city or village in that county, a multiple municipal local health department in a manner that is similar to the establishment of multiple municipal local health departments in Racine County under current law. All the powers and duties of current law for local health departments apply to a multiple municipal local health department that is established under the authorization created in this bill.	Introduced to the Senate on October 21, 2003. Passed by the Senate on January 28, 2004 and received by the Assembly on February 2, 2004. Concurred by the Assembly on February 25, 2004.	Approved by the Governor on March 17, 2004 and published on March 30, 2004. PASSED	2003 Wisconsin Act 158
Wisconsin A.B. 881 "An act relating to: public health planning, services, and functions" Sponsor: J.A. Hines (R) Introduced: 12/19/05	An act relating to: public health planning, services, and functions; reporting of communicable diseases; public health agreements; required vaccinations, isolation, or quarantine; contracts between municipalities and federally recognized American Indian tribes or bands; and requiring the exercise of rule-making authority.	Introduced to the Assembly on December 19, 2005. Passed by the Assembly on January 24, 2006 and by the Senate on February 28, 2006.	Approved by the Governor on March 24, 2006 and published on April 7, 2006. PASSED	2006 Wisconsin Act 198