

SHAV: Speech-Language Hearing

Composite view with notes

Bills	Committee	Last action	Date
HB 1588 - Marshall, R.G. - Autism spectrum disorder; mandated health insurance coverage therefor.	(H) Committee on Commerce and Labor	(H) Assigned C & L sub: 1	01/26/09
<p>notes: HB 1588 Autism spectrum disorder; mandated health insurance coverage therefor. Robert G. Marshall Health insurance; mandated coverage for autism spectrum disorder. Requires health insurers, health care subscription plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorder in individuals under age 21. Coverage is subject to an annual maximum benefit of \$36,000.</p>			
HB 1602 - Poisson - School divisions, local; must employ one teacher who has board certification as behavior analyst.	(H) Committee on Education	(H) Subcommittee recommends laying on the table by voice vote	01/22/09
<p>notes: Requires that by 2013, local school divisions must employ one teacher who has current board certification as a behavior analyst for every 25 students with autism. An enactment clause sets forth an incremental schedule for implementing such requirement. In addition provides that upon achievement of a behavior analyst certification, a teacher will receive an initial state-funded award of \$5,000 and a subsequent award of \$2,500 each year for the life of the certificate.</p>			
HB 1853 - Cox - Mental Retardation and IFDDS waiver waiting lists; Governor, etc., to implement plan for funding.	(H) Committee on Appropriations	(H) Assigned App. sub: Health & Human Resources (Hamilton)	01/19/09
<p>notes: Requires the Governor and the General Assembly to develop and implement a plan to provide funding to the Department of Medical Assistance Services to eliminate waiting lists for the Mental Retardation Waiver and the Individual and Family Developmental Disabilities Support Waiver.</p>			
HB 2104 - Janis - Students with Disabilities Tuition Assistance Grant Program; created.	(H) Committee on Appropriations	(H) Assigned App. sub: Elementary & Secondary Education (Tata)	01/23/09
<p>notes: Creates the Students with Disabilities Tuition Assistance Grant Program, to provide tuition assistance for attendance at an eligible private school for any K-12 student as defined by the Board of Education in its Regulations Governing Special Education Programs for Children with Disabilities in Virginia who is diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder. "Autism spectrum disorder" means any pervasive developmental disorder, including (i) autistic disorder, (ii) Asperger's Syndrome, (iii) Rett syndrome, (iv) childhood disintegrative disorder, or (v) Pervasive Developmental Disorder - Not Otherwise Specified, as defined in the most recent edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders of the American Psychiatric Association. The amount of the grant shall be limited to \$36,000 per year.</p>			
HJ 634 - Poisson - Constitutional amendment; General Assembly may provide by law school boards responsibility.	(H) Committee on Privileges and Elections	(H) Subcommittee recommends laying on the table by voice vote	01/26/09
<p>notes: Amends Section 7 of Article VIII to state that the General Assembly may provide by general law or special act that responsibility for supervision of schools may be exercised by a local governing body and the locality's chief administrative officer rather than a school board.</p>			
SB 1260 - Vogel - Health insurance; mandated coverage for autism spectrum disorder.	(S) Committee on Commerce and Labor	(S) Referred to Committee on Commerce and Labor	01/14/09
<p>notes: Requires health insurers, health care subscription plans, and health maintenance organizations to</p>			

provide coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorder in individuals under age 21. Coverage is subject to an annual maximum benefit of \$36,000.

<p>SB 1466 - Reynolds - Standards of Quality; school division to use state and local funds for elementary resource teachers.</p>	<p>(S) Committee on Education and Health</p>	<p>(S) Assigned Education sub: Public Education</p>	<p>01/29/09</p>
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