

**DFW-APIC Government Affairs Committee (GAC) – 81<sup>st</sup> Texas Legislative Session**

February 2009

**TEXAS ISSUES**

TEXAS REGISTER

- The 12/05/08 PROPOSED changes to the operating requirements for ASC’s have not been adopted as of 01/30/09: **25 TAC §§135.1 - 135.29; 25 TAC §135.41, §135.42; 25 TAC §§135.41 - 135.43; 25 TAC §§135.51 - 135.54; 25 TAC §§135.51 - 135.56.**
- There were no new proposed or adopted rules with IP&C content in TAC 25 or TAC 30 since the January 2009 APIC-DFW report.

TEXAS 81<sup>st</sup> LEGISLATIVE SESSION

- As of 02/04/09 there are x10 bills filed with the word “Infection” and x42 bills filed with the word “Disease”. Of these 52 filed bills the eight (8) listed below have the potential to impact the practice of infection prevention and control at the healthcare facility level and/or immunization system.
- The status of bills with infection control content under “Last Activity” as of 02/04/09. NOTE: If the date of being “Received by the Secretary or Senate or House” is the same as the date a bill is filed, it has not been included to save space.

Texas Bills Filed with Infection Control Content\*

Bill Name	Last Activity	Summary of Content
HB 142 (McClendon)	Filed 11/10/08	Relating to disease control programs to reduce the risk of certain communicable diseases (needle and syringe exchange program). NOTE: Companion Bill SB 188
SB 180 (Gallegos)	Filed 11/10/08	Relating to the creation of a state occupational health and safety plan; establishing a maintenance tax
SB 188 (Duell & Van de Putte)	Filed 11/10/08	Relating to disease control programs to reduce the risk of certain communicable diseases (needle and syringe exchange program). NOTE: Companion Bill HB 142
SB 203 (Shapleigh)	Filed 11/10/08	Relating to the reporting of MRSA infection rates in hospitals.

Bill Name	Last Activity	Summary of Content
HB 272 (Ortiz Jr.)	Filed 11/17/08	Relating to disease control programs to reduce the risk of certain communicable diseases (needle and syringe exchange program).
SB 291 (Nelson)	Filed 11/12/08	Relating to hepatitis B vaccination for students enrolled in certain health-related courses of study at an institution of higher education.
SB 347 (Nelson)	Filed 12/08/08	Relating to the receipt and release of immunization information by the immunization registry in connection with a disaster.
SB 494 (Nelson)	Filed 01/15/09	Relating to making an appropriation to the Department of State Health Services to be used in connection with the reporting of health care-associated infections at certain health care facilities and the creation of an advisory panel. FUNDING

\* Go to [www.capitol.state.tx.us/](http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/) to view content of bills filed

^ Scheduled for Public Hearing

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