

**2021 Legislative Tracking List as of 7/2/2021 3:13 PM**

- Priority 1 Activate grassroots network
- Priority 1b Discretion w/ activating grassroots network
- Priority 2 Council advocacy action
- Priority 3 No action; report final outcome only

Bill is still in the legislative process; outcome is yet to be determined
Bill in which the final outcome IS aligned with the Council's position
Bill in which the final outcome IS NOT aligned with the Council's position
Bill in which the Council's position was neutral
Either (1) bill was withdrawn or (2) bill was substituted with another bill

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<a href="#">HB1</a>	Zeringue	APPROPRIATIONS: Provides for the ordinary operating expenses of state government for Fiscal Year 2021-2022	For	1	Budget includes multiple items that benefit the DD community including additional \$500k SGF for Families Helping Families Regional Resource Centers, approximately \$16.3 million SGF (over \$52 million total) to increase rates in DD waivers with language stating the increase should be used to increase DSW wages pending rule making and auditing, funding for medicaid coverage of dental care for adults with I/DD should HB172 become law and 500 Community Choice Waiver slots for adults/elderly. Line item vetoes by Governor did not negatively impact the disability population.	<a href="#">LaCAN AA1 - Share the Importance of Disability Funding with House Appropriations 4.9.21</a>  <a href="#">LaCAN AA1 - Reminder Still Time to Share the Importance of Disability Funding with House Appropriations 4.16.21</a>  <a href="#">LaCAN AA4 - House Appropriations to Vote on Budget. Let Them Know the Importance of Disability Funding 4.28.21</a>  <a href="#">LaCAN AA6 - State's Budget Headed to House Floor. Your State Representative Needs to Hear From You 5.4.21</a>  <a href="#">LaCAN AA8 - Two Issues Being Heard in Senate Finance: Cameras in Special Education Classrooms &amp; Public Testimony on the Budget 5.13.21</a>  <a href="#">LaCAN AA13 - Senate Finance to Vote on FY22 Budget Let Them Know the Importance of Disability Funding 5.21.21</a>  <a href="#">LaCAN AA15 - Your State Senator Needs to Hear Why Disability Funding is Important 5.26.21</a>	<b>PASSED with Vetoes by Governor <a href="#">Act 119</a></b>

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<a href="#">HB172</a>	Butler	MEDICAID: Provides for Medicaid coverage of dental care for certain adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities	For	1	Requires the state Medicaid program to provide comprehensive dental coverage for each person of age 21 or older who is enrolled in any Medicaid waiver program for persons with developmental or intellectual disabilities.	<a href="#">LaCAN AA2 - House Health &amp; Welfare to Hear Two Issues Dental Coverage for Adults with I/DD &amp; COVID-19 Waiver Exceptions 4.23.21</a> <a href="#">LaCAN AA7 - Dental Coverage for Adults with I/DD is Headed to House Appropriations 5.7.21</a> <a href="#">LaCAN AA9 - Dental Coverage for Adults with I/DD is Headed to the House Floor 5.17.21</a> <a href="#">LaCAN AA14 - Senate Health &amp; Welfare to Discuss Comprehensive Dental Coverage for Adults with I/DD 5.25.21</a>	<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 450</a>
<a href="#">HB204</a>	Turner	EXCEPTIONAL PERSONS: Provides relative to the delivery of Medicaid-funded services for persons with disabilities	For	1	Would permanently continue some COVID exceptions including allowing a DSP to exceed 16 hours per day in certain situations, allow for DSPs to reside in the same home as the person receiving services, and allow providers, case management and support coordinators to conduct virtual check ins and electronic signatures.	<a href="#">LaCAN AA2 - House Health &amp; Welfare to Hear Two Issues Dental Coverage for Adults with I/DD &amp; COVID-19 Waiver Exceptions 4.23.21</a> <a href="#">LaCAN AA5 - Let Your State Representative Know the Importance of Continuing Certain COVID-19 Waiver Exceptions 5.3.21</a> <a href="#">LaCAN AA10 - Let Senate Health &amp; Welfare Know the Importance of Continuing Certain COVID-19 Waiver Exceptions 5.18.21</a>	<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process

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<a href="#">SB86</a>	Foil	SPECIAL EDUCATION: Requires the governing authority of each public school to develop and adopt policies for the installation and operation of video cameras in certain classrooms.	For	1	Amended in Senate Education to include language that procedures must be developed to determine how requests to review video be made, under what circumstances, and limitations to any request. Amended in Senate Finance to remove contingency on state appropriations and adds "As specific funding becomes available for this purpose, each public school governing authority shall implement the provisions of this Section."	<a href="#">LaCAN AA3 - Senate Education Needs to Hear from You About Requiring Cameras in Special Education Classrooms 4.27.21</a> <a href="#">UPDATE LaCAN AA3 - Still Time to Share Your Thoughts on Requiring Cameras in Special Education Classrooms 4.29.21</a> <a href="#">New Update LaCAN AA3 - Requiring Cameras in Special Education Classrooms Back on the Agenda of Senate Education 5.5.21</a> <a href="#">LaCAN AA8 - Two Issues Being Heard in Senate Finance: Cameras in Special Education Classrooms &amp; Public Testimony on the Budget 5.13.21</a> <a href="#">LaCAN AA11 - Your State Senator Needs to Hear Why Cameras in Special Education Classrooms is Important 5.18.21</a> <a href="#">LaCAN AA12 - Let House Education Know the Importance of Cameras in Classrooms 5.21.21</a> <a href="#">LaCAN AA12 UPDATE - House Education Committee Date Changed to May 26th 5.21.21</a> <a href="#">LaCAN AA12 UPDATE - Still Time to Contact House Education Committee Regarding Cameras in Special Education Classrooms 5.26.21</a> <a href="#">LaCAN AA17 - Contact Your State Rep About Cameras in Special Education Classrooms 6.4.21</a>	<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 456</a>

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<a href="#">HB238</a>	Moore	CRIME/SEX OFFENSES: Creates the crimes of felony and misdemeanor intentional exposure to a sexually transmitted disease	Against	2	Language in the proposed bill would implement harsher penalties for offenders who have an intellectual disability than those without.	Council staff and Region 8 LaCAN Leader reached out to Rep. Moore on 4/15/21 with concerns and suggested updated language to include in the bill	<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">HB324</a>	Hilferty	STUDENT/DISCIPLINE: Prohibits corporal punishment in public elementary and secondary schools	For	2			<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">HB411</a>	Hughes	STUDENT/DISCIPLINE: Provides relative to student discipline	For	2	Would make comprehensive revisions to school discipline laws and require LDOE to publish data regarding disciplinary removals.		<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 473</a>
<a href="#">HB446</a>	Butler	ADMINISTRATION DIVISION: Creates and provides for the office of the state Americans with Disabilities Act coordinator within the division of administration	For	2	Information about this issue was shared with Council members and the public at its April quarterly meeting.		<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 452</a>
<a href="#">HB485</a>	Zeringue	MEDICAID MANAGED CARE: Establishes the Medicaid Managed Care Authority as a policymaking and oversight body for the Medicaid managed care program	For	2			<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">HB85</a>	McKnight	STUDENTS: Creates a literacy program for certain public school students	For	3			<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 415</a>
<a href="#">HB91</a>	Echols	MEDICAID: Authorizes transportation network companies to provide nonemergency medical transportation services through the state Medicaid program	For	3			<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">HB136</a>	Carpenter	STUDENT/DISCIPLINE: Provides relative to suspensions and expulsions of public school students	Against	3	Based on language in proposed bill, concerns that students with significant behavior needs may face suspension at disproportionate rates.		<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">HB170</a>	Marino	SCHOOLS/DISTRICTS: Provides relative to reporting of students identified as having dyslexia	For	3			<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 419</a>
<a href="#">HB187</a>	Bagley	HEALTH/HOME CARE: Amends laws relative to home health care	For	3	Adds nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, and physician assistants to order home health services.		<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 181</a>
<a href="#">HB228</a>	Carrier	SANITARY CODE: Provides relative to restroom access for individuals with certain conditions	For	3	Creates Restroom Access Act which would allow individuals with eligible medical conditions to access employee only restrooms of certain retail establishments		<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 444</a>
<a href="#">HB251</a>	Jones	CRIMINAL/PROCEDURE: Provides relative to time limitations for instituting prosecution for crimes with victims with infirmities	For	3	Estilablishes time limitations from the time the alleged crime was discovered and from the time it was committed as it currently states in law.		<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 72</a>

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<a href="#">HB253</a>	McKnight	SCHOOLS: Provides relative to the governance and funding of the Special School District, which provides special education services through its schools and programs	For	3	Provides for the Special School District to be an independent agency governed by a newly created board of directors that shall have nine members appointed by the governor. Provides for the board's powers and duties with respect to district governance.		<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 468</a>
<a href="#">HB259</a>	Horton	EMPLOYMENT: Provides relative to employment for persons with disabilities	For	3	Removes exemption for unemployment insurance for people with disabilities in AbilityOne or similar programs.		<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 194</a>
<a href="#">HB285</a>	James	VOTERS/VOTING: Provides relative to the amount a time a person may remain in a voting machine	For	3	Increases time a person may spend in a voting machine		<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 22</a>
<a href="#">HB286</a>	Jones	VOTERS/VOTING: Extends the period for early voting prior to election day	For	3			<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 365</a>
<a href="#">HB316</a>	Davis	CHILDREN/NEWBORNS: Adds mucopolysaccharidosis type I and glycogen storage disorder type II to the state's newborn screening panel	For	3			<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 305</a>
<a href="#">HB356</a>	Bacala	MEDICAID: Requires regular evaluation of and reporting on Medicaid administration and services	Neutral	3	Would require LDH to evaluate certain aspects of the state Medicaid program regularly and to report the results of such evaluations to the legislature.		<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">HB397</a>	White	PUBLIC HEALTH: Provides relative to public health programs and services related to Alzheimer's disease and other dementias	For	3	Authorizes the La. Dept. of Health to provide education and training to healthcare providers who treat patients suffering from Alzheimer's disease or other dementia diseases.		<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 73</a>
<a href="#">HB421</a>	Emerson	SCHOOLS: Authorizes public school governing authorities to establish learning pods for the purpose of providing small group instruction for students enrolled in public schools	Against	3			<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 400</a>
<a href="#">HB428</a>	Geymann	BUDGETARY CONTROLS: Prohibits the use of federally declared disaster funds for increases in recurring state expenditures	Against	3			<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">HB460</a>	Hollis	HEALTH/LDH: Establishes the Rare Disease Advisory Council within the Louisiana Department of Health	For	3			<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 321</a>
<a href="#">HB476</a>	Schamerhorn	COMMERCE: Provides relative to broadband	For	3	Broadband and high speed data infrastructure expansion would allow individuals with disabilities and their families in more rural areas of the state the opportunity to access information and telehealth services		<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">HB555</a>	Thompson	TEACHERS/EVALUATION: Prohibits the use of data derived from a value-added model (VAM) as a factor in measuring student growth for the purpose of teacher evaluations	Neutral	3			<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process

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<a href="#">HB556</a>	DeVillier	SCHOOLS/CHOICE: Creates and provides for a program to provide state funding for the education of students not enrolled in public school	Against	3	Proposed law requires, if a student would have been entitled to special education services in his resident school system, his parent must acknowledge in writing that he/she agrees to accept only such services as are available to all students enrolled in the participating school. Since many students who receive special education services cannot adequately learn without the special education services in which they are entitled, this legislation essentially excludes students with disabilities from this program.		<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">HB570</a>	Lyons	MEDICAID: Provides for payment enhancements to compensate nonemergency medical transportation providers for cost increases in that industry	For	3			<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">HB598</a>	Green	MENTAL HEALTH: Requires the La. Department of Health to apply for a Medicaid demonstration waiver to support and improve the delivery of inpatient mental health services	For	3			<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">HB628</a>	Stefanski	GAMING: Provides for sports wagering	For	3	Proposed law provides some of the proceeds collected by the Louisiana Lottery Corporation for sports wagering will be deposited into the Developmental Disability Services subfund.		Passed by Substitute <a href="#">HB697</a>
<a href="#">HB648</a>	Deshotel	TELECOMMUNICATIONS: Establishes a grant program to be administered by the office of broadband development and connectivity in the division of administration	For	3	Program would help bring broadband access to rural and disadvantaged areas. Greater access to broadband services would allow individuals with disabilities and their families in more rural areas of the state the opportunity to access information and telehealth services		<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 477</a>
<a href="#">HB697</a>	Stefanski	GAMING: Provides for sports wagering	For	3	Proposed law would provide for some taxes levied on sports wagering to be deposited into the Community and Family Support System Fund.		<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 80</a>
<a href="#">SB7</a>	Peterson	EMPLOYMENT: Provides relative to the state minimum wage.	For	3	Raising minimum wage may have a positive impact on the recruitment and retention of Direct Support Workers.		<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">SB49</a>	T. Carter	EMPLOYMENT: Provides relative to the state minimum wage.	For	3	Raising minimum wage may have a positive impact on the recruitment and retention of Direct Support Workers.		<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">SB93</a>	Pope	HEALTH DEPARTMENT: Provides relative to telehealth services provided by licensed hearing aid dealers.	For	3	Proposed law adds licensed hearing aid dealers to the definition of health care provider included in the Louisiana Telehealth Access Act		<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 92</a>
<a href="#">SB127</a>	McMath	BEHAVIORAL HEALTH: Provides relative to specialized behavioral health rehabilitation services in the Louisiana medical assistance program.	For	3			<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 433</a>
<a href="#">SB133</a>	Barrow	HEALTH DEPARTMENT: Provides relative to the prioritization of health equity by the Louisiana Department of Health.	For	3	Provides that LDH serve as a foundation and resource for addressing health care disparities in vulnerable populations, and contribute to the progression and improvement of Louisiana's health care rankings.		<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 210</a>

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<a href="#">SB137</a>	Talbot	MEDICAID: Provides relative to Medicaid managed care for individuals receiving long-term services and supports.	For	3	Would implement MLTSS population served by Office of Aging and Adult Services. Would provide greater opportunities for this population to receive home and community-based services.		<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">SB191</a>	Cloud	INSURANCE POLICIES: Provides relative to coverage of certain physician-administered drugs and related services.	For	3			<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 50</a>
<a href="#">SB214</a>	Jackson	CURRICULA: Provides relative to individual graduation plans and high school curriculum options.	For	3			<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 458</a>
<a href="#">SB216</a>	Mills	TEACHERS: Requires early literacy professional development for certain teachers.	For	3			<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 108</a>
<a href="#">SB222</a>	Hewitt	SCHOOLS: Provides relative to early literacy.	For	3			<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 438</a>
<a href="#">SB224</a>	Cloud	VOTERS/VOTING: Prohibits the use of ballot drop boxes.	Neutral	3	Originally, the proposed legislation would eliminate ballot drop boxes. Drop boxes would give individuals with disabilities additional opportunities to participate in absentee voting. This prohibition was amended out of the bill.		<b>Vetoed by Governor</b>
<a href="#">SB234</a>	McMath	SCHOOLS: Provides relative to providing accelerated instruction to certain students.	Neutral	3			<b>PASSED</b> <a href="#">Act 294</a>
<a href="#">HCR34</a>	Butler	MEDICAID: Requests a study regarding potential means of financing dental care for adult residents of intermediate care facilities	For	3			<b>PASSED</b>
<a href="#">HCR45</a>	Bagley	EXCEPTIONAL PERSONS: Requests a study concerning a potential system for tracking the location of children with developmental and intellectual disabilities	Neutral	3			<b>PASSED</b>
<a href="#">HCR49</a>	Garofalo	SCHOOLS: Requests that the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education collect, analyze, and report data relative to certain high and low performing schools	For	3			<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process
<a href="#">HCR127</a>	Edmonds	MEDICAID: Urges and requests the La. Department of Health to adjust the state Medicaid budget to allocate funding more equitably throughout the disability services system	For	3			<b>PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SCR2</a>	Fields	BESE: Provides for legislative approval of the MFP formula for the 2021-2022 school year.	Neutral	3			<b>PASSED</b>

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<a href="#">SCR18</a>	Fields	EDUCATION DEPARTMENT: Requests the state Department of Education to study the feasibility of banning the use of corporal punishment in public schools.	For	3			<b>PASSED</b>
<a href="#">SR23</a>	Talbot	MEDICAID: Establishes a task force to study and report on Medicaid managed care for individuals receiving long-term supports and services.	For	3			<b>DID NOT PASS</b> Failed to Complete Legislative Process

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