



# 2025 ISMA LEGISLATIVE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

## NONCOMPETE CLAUSES

- Since 2023, Indiana law has banned noncompete clauses for primary care physicians
- SEA 475 expands this prohibition to include hospital-employed physicians in all specialties, extending protections to about 70% of physicians
- Prohibition will apply to all new contracts entered on or after July 1

## PRIOR AUTHORIZATION

- SEA 480 requires denials of prior authorization to be made on a peer-to-peer basis (physicians' requests can only be denied by a physician with expertise in the relevant field; requests from nonphysician practitioners can be denied by a practitioner with equivalent credentials and relevant expertise)
- Speeds up deadlines to approve or deny prior authorization requests
- First prior authorization reform law to apply to all payors (law passed in 2023 was limited to the state employee health plan)

## BUDGET ISSUES (HEA 1001)

- Despite a \$2.4 billion downgrade in expected state revenue, averted cuts in many key areas and limited them elsewhere
  - ✓ Preserved 2023 HIP equalization at 100% of Medicare rates
  - ✓ Preserved \$14 million over two years for residency slots through Graduate Medical Education Board
  - ✓ \$80 million over two years for Health First Indiana public health funding (on top of \$225M in the previous budget)
- First cigarette tax increase in 18 years
  - ✓ \$2 a pack increase roughly triples current rate of 99.5 cents a pack
  - ✓ 25% increase in taxes on cigars, snuff, chewing tobacco
  - ✓ Doubles tax rate on e-cigarettes
  - ✓ Projected revenue of \$400 million a year while encouraging more Hoosiers to quit smoking or not start
  - ✓ Moves Indiana's cigarette tax from 13th lowest to 11th highest among the 50 states

## SCOPE OF PRACTICE

- ISMA advocacy helped kill multiple bills to allow unsupervised practice authority for nonphysicians
  - ✗ SB 145 and HB 1571: Would have allowed pharmacists to diagnose and treat flu, COVID, RSV, strep, lice, or "minor skin conditions"
  - ✗ HB 1116 and SB 383: Unsupervised practice authority for APRNs
  - ✗ HB 1040: Unsupervised practice authority for CRNAs
  - ✗ SB 387: Licensure of naturopaths

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# 2025 LEGISLATIVE PROGRESS

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## ISMA SUPPORTED BILLS

Bill #	Bill Title	1st Chamber				2nd Chamber				Conference Committee	Governor's Signature
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Author			Vote	Sponsor			Vote		Public Law
SB 242	Payment for Medicaid physician services claims	T. Johnson									
SB 246	Advanced practice registered nurses	T. Johnson									
SB 394	Various tax and fiscal matters	Qaddoura									
SB 419	Crimes against health care providers	Carrasco			42-7	Engleman					
SB 446	Mental health and substance abuse coverage	Crider									
SB 473	Various health care matters	Brown			42-7	Barrett			93-0		PL 143
SB 475	Physician noncompete agreements	Busch			42-7	Manning			71-23		PL 207
SB 480	Prior authorization	T. Johnson			42-7	Barrett			93-0		PL 144
HB 1001	State budget	Thompson			66-28	Mishler			40-9		PL 213
HB 1112	Prior authorization for opioid use disorder care	King									
HB 1154	Behavioral health preceptorship tax credit	Wilburn									
HB 1167	Exceptions to paraphernalia statutes	Meltzer			91-2	Clark			47-0		PL 53
HB 1251	Cigarette taxes	Rowray									
HB 1299	Funding for breast cancer research	King									
HB 1400	Tax credit for preceptors in medical education	Manning									
HB 1453	Pediatric cancer research and treatment grant	O'Brien			93-0	Dernulc			48-0		PL 170
HB 1454	Emergency ambulance services	O'Brien									
HB 1555	Licensure of foreign trained physicians	Baird			91-1	Leising			48-1		PL 234
HB 1586	Medicaid funding	Barrett									
HB 1588	Long term care savings accounts	Barrett									

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SB 145	Pharmacy matters	Busch									
SB 171	Abortion matters	Young									
SB 383	Advanced practice registered nurses	Goode									
HB 1040	Certified registered nurse anesthetists	King									
HB 1116	Advanced practice registered nurses	Ledbetter									
HB 1212	Prohibition of certain abortion funding	Mayfield									
HB 1571	Pharmacists	Goss-Reaves									

## ISMA MONITORED BILLS

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		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		Author			Vote	Sponsor			Vote		Public Law
SB 2	Medicaid matters	Mishler			40-9	Barrett			66-28		PL 126
SB 289	Unlawful discrimination	Byrne			34-13	Jeter			66-27		PL 196
HB 1003	Health matters	Barrett			66-32	Charbonneau			48-1		PL 215
HB 1004	Nonprofit hospitals	Carbaugh			68-26	Garten			29-19		PL 216
HB 1666	Ownership of health care providers	McGuire			70-25	T. Johnson			46-1		PL 239
HB 1169	Access to birth control program	Lucas									
HB 1241	Trauma informed care	Summers			71-15	Charbonneau					
HB 1620	Disclosure of artificial intelligence use in health care	King									

## CHART KEY

Column 1 First Reading-First Chamber  
Column 2 Committee  
Column 3 Second Reading  
Column 4 Third Reading  
Column 5 First Reading-Second Chamber

Column 6 Committee  
Column 7 Second Reading  
Column 8 Third Reading  
Column 9 Conference Committee  
Column 10 Governor's Signature (Deadline: May 6)

 PASSED  
 DIED

