

**DFW-APIC Government Affairs Committee  
May 2017**

85th Texas Legislature (2017)							
<a href="http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/">http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/</a>				Key: X :Following Bill			
Last Review Completed:5/4/17				D: Duplicate / Companion Bill filed elsewhere			
Current # Bills followed:				10		Search words: 'Infection', 'Disease', 'Health care', 'Healthcare-associated', and 'HAI'	
X	HB/ SB	Bill #	D	Author(s)	Date Filed	Last Action	Comments
X	HB	97		Davis	11/14/2016	Committee report filed 4/3/17	Child may consent to the child's own immunization for cancer prevention or treatment if the immunization is recommended fby CDC ; or approved for cancer treatment by the FDA
X	HB	2269		Schofield	2/22/17	Referred to Judiciary and Civil Jurisprudence - Committee report sent to calendars 5/2/17	Children's isolation unit for highly contagious diseases not liable for claim, damage or loss arising from provision of health care services unless grossly negligent.
X	HB	2006		Anchia	2/16/17	referred to PH 3/13/17	Related to required counseling regarding negative HIV test results.
X	HB	970		Cortez	1/12/17	received from the house 4/18/17	Relating to the establishment of a state plan for Streptococcus pneumoniae education and prevention
x	HB	4062		Farrar	3/10/17	referred to PH 4/3/17	Relating to rules for hospital sanitation standards. The rules address requirements for implementing standards for sanitation procedures established to prevent infection or illness in a hospital.
x	HB	3711		Sheffield	3/9/17	left pending in PH committee 4/25/17	Long-term care facilities shall develop a plan for preventing and responding to outbreaks of communicable diseases, including influenza
x	HB	3256		Rose	3/7/17	left pending in PH committee 4/25/17	Relating to the establishment by certain counties and hospital districts of disease control pilot programs to reduce the risk of certain infectious and communicable diseases
x	HB	3576		Guerra	3/9/17	H committee report sent to calendars 5/4/17	Relating to the collection and release of information on the Zika virus and other high consequence communicable diseases for certain purposes.
x	SCR	9		Lucio	1/12/17	referred to HHS 2/1/17	Urging Congress to explore and negotiate the creation of a binational framework allowing the United States and Mexico to address the threat of communicable diseases.
<b>FEDERAL Legislation:</b>	HR	1587		Slaughter	3/16/17	referred to the Subcommittee on Health	Reintroduction of the Preservation of Antibiotics for Medical Treatment Act: To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to preserve the effectiveness of medically important antimicrobials used in the treatment of human and animal diseases. Includes phased elimination/prohibition of nontherapeutic use in animals of medically important antimicrobials.

<b>Texas Register (2017)</b>				
<a href="http://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/index.shtml">http://www.sos.state.tx.us/texreg/index.shtml</a>				
<b>Last Review Completed:</b>		<b>4/28/2017</b>		
<b>Current Search Parameters for Review:</b>				
25 TAC: Chapters 2, 97, 133, 135, 200				
30 TAC: Chapter 330; Subchapter Y				
				<b>Key: X Pending</b>
X	<b>Date Filed</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Title/Ch./Rules</b>	<b>Topic / Comments</b>
				No new POIs since last report

### **APIC Public Policy and E-News Highlights (2017)**

<http://apic.org/Advocacy/Government-Affairs-and-Advocacy>

<http://apic.org/Member-Services/Publications/E-News>

5/3/17	CDC releases updated SSI Guidelines <a href="http://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamasurgery/fullarticle/2623725">http://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamasurgery/fullarticle/2623725</a>
4/26/17	This week, APIC Public Policy Committee (PPC) conducted its annual lobby day in Washington, DC. Committee members met with staff at 21 Congressional offices representing nine states to discuss APIC's legislative priorities for FY 2018. Learn more about APIC's federal legislative agenda here: <a href="http://www.apic.org/Resource_/TinyMceFileManager/Government_Affairs/2017/APIC_Legislative_Advocacy_Handout_FY_2018.pdf">http://www.apic.org/Resource_/TinyMceFileManager/Government_Affairs/2017/APIC_Legislative_Advocacy_Handout_FY_2018.pdf</a>
4/18/17	CDC issues interim guidance for managing HCP exposure to Zika virus
4/5/17	APIC urges members to tell Congress to protect the Prevention and Public Health Funds <a href="http://cqrcengage.com/apic/app/onestep-write-a-letter?1&amp;engagementId=328833">http://cqrcengage.com/apic/app/onestep-write-a-letter?1&amp;engagementId=328833</a>
4/5/17	CDC's report encourages healthcare providers to educate families on Zika prevention, provide all needed tests and follow-up care, and develop coordinated care plans for babies affected by Zika
4/4/17	Important updates in March NHSN newsletter
4/3/17	CMS issues information on emergency preparedness requirements

**\*Reminder: May 15 deadline for CMS quality reporting programs\***

### **Important News from Rich Capparell, Legislative Affairs Representative, APIC, Inc., Washington DC, May 2, 2017 regarding omnibus bill to fund the government for the remainder of FY 2017:**

*"This past weekend appropriators agreed on language for an omnibus bill that would fund the government for the remainder of Fiscal Year (FY) 2017. As a reminder, an omnibus bill is a measure that combines multiple appropriations into one large piece of legislation. This omnibus agreement will combine 11 of the 12 appropriations bills that would be considered under the normal process. The text of the measure ([link here](#)) and a summary ([link here](#)) have been released for the public to see. Most of the federal infection prevention programs APIC monitors have received level funding from FY 2016. We have put together a chart (below) to show you the negotiated levels as compared to FY 2016 and APIC funding requests. The bill has not yet received a vote in the House or Senate, but is expected to be brought to the floor this week."*

Federal Government Program	FY 2016 Funding Level	FY 2017 Agreement	APIC FY 2017 Request
<b>CDC Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases Programs</b>			
Antibiotic Resistance Initiative	\$160,000,000	\$163,000,000	\$200,000,000
National Healthcare Safety Network	\$21,000,000	\$21,000,000	\$21,000,000
Advanced Molecular Detection	\$30,000,000	\$30,000,000	\$30,000,000
<b>Prevention and Public Health Fund (PPHF)</b>			
Immunizations	\$324,350,000	\$324,350,000	\$324,400,000
Epidemiology and Lab Capacity program	\$40,000,000	\$40,000,000	\$40,000,000
Healthcare-Associated Infections	\$12,000,000	\$12,000,000	\$12,000,000
<b>AHRQ Program</b>			
Healthcare-Associated Infections Prevention	\$34,000,000	\$36,000,000	\$34,000,000
<b>NIH Program</b>			
National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases	\$4,700,000,000	\$4,900,000,000	\$4,700,000,000

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