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AIM Legislative Round-up: January 10, 2025

January marks the beginning of many states' legislative sessions, so AIM is relaunching our biweekly Legislative Round-up. This resource is a high-level overview of vaccine-related legislation movement across the country. As of January 10, 26 states' legislative sessions have commenced, which will grow to 43 states over the next week. AIM is already monitoring 107 vaccine-related bills, with key legislative themes summarized below.

For additional information, we encourage you to review AIM's collection of policy-related resources:

- [Connecting the Dots: Legislative Sessions](#) is a compilation of resources to equip AIM members with information to respond to and prepare for legislative inquiries.
- [Immunization Program Policy Resource Guide](#) is a 24-page overview of immunization program policy at both the state and federal level.

Vaccine Requirements and Exemptions (39 current bills):

- Bills seeking to reduce vaccine requirements or increase/simplify vaccine exemptions remain the most common theme. The majority involve school vaccine requirements (SC H 3581, NY S 686, TX HB 1586, TX HB 1082, TX HB 730, NY S 266, TX SB 117, NY A 389, VA SB 84, CT SB 259, AZ HB 2058, NY A 1153, NY A 1358).
- Several involve requirements within healthcare facilities (IN HB 1160, TX SB 407, & TX HB 1468), with employers (TX HB 383), universities (IL HB 1073) and childcare facilities (VA HB 1785) also implicated.
- Other bills are broader in prohibiting vaccine mandates across settings (AZ HB 2055, NY S 285, TX SB 94, SC S 54, TX HJR 91, TX SJR 10, & IN HB 1168).

mRNA Vaccines (9 current bills)

- Multiple bills are seeking to prohibit the use of mRNA vaccines (MT LC 1464, MT LC 1463, MT LC 1980 & MT LC 1979), with others requiring that animal meat products that receive such vaccines be labeled as containing mRNA vaccine (ME LD 113, TX SB 119, MO SB 319, UT HB 84, & MO SB 149).

Vaccine Safety (7 current bills)

- Several bills involve additional vaccine labeling or disclosures, including the public's potential to be exposed to vaccine components even if they were not vaccinated (SC H 3096 & MO SB 252) and whether vaccines were developed using fetal cell tissue (TX HB 1304 & TX SB 122).
- Two bills mention explicit requirements for VAERS reporting (TX HB 962 & TX SB 269).

Anti-discrimination (7 current bills)

- Legislation referencing discrimination due to vaccine status continues. Most bills mention purported discrimination due to being unvaccinated (OK SB 14, WY HB 96, TX HB1356 & OK SB 422), with one in relation to being vaccinated (NY S 360).
- Two bills seek to establish Parental Bill of Rights, emphasizing the rights of parents to make vaccine decisions for their children (NH HB 10 & SC H 3118).

Ability to Vaccinate (6 bills)

- Multiple bills are seeking to expand the scope of certain professions abilities to vaccinate, including pharmacists (IN SB 96, NY A 1407, & TX SB 623), pharmacist technicians (TX SB 398 & TX SB 254), and dentists (MO SB 374).

Additional Prominent Themes

- Several bills involve allowing for civil suit for any vaccine injuries, including against employers who mandate the vaccines (CT SB 214 & TX SB 91), providers who fail to obtain informed consent (TX SB 95, TX HB 943, and TX SB 96), as well as vaccine manufacturers (AR SB 6).
- Two bills would remove the authority of the health department to change the school vaccine schedule (TX HB 468) or remove students from school during an outbreak (TX SB 118).
- AL HB 1052 would prohibit minors from consenting to their own vaccinations without parental consent, whereas NY S 653 would allow minors to consent to their own vaccinations if the vaccine prevented a sexually transmitted infection.

Please note: AIM is striving to monitor fast-moving state legislative developments. The information included in this summary may not be comprehensive and is subject to change. Visit our [Policy Toolkit](#) to view all our legislative resources. If you are aware of missing information or need individualized support, **please contact AIM Chief Government Relations and Policy Officer Brent Ewig (bewig@immunizationmanagers.org).**