

HB 250 -- DRUG UTILIZATION REVIEW BOARD

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This bill makes changes to the membership of the Drug Utilization Review Board.

Currently, six members must be physicians, six members must be pharmacists, and one person must be a medical quality assurance registered nurse. The bill requires that:

- (1) At least four, but no more than six physicians, with at least one M.D. and at least one D.O.;
- (2) At least four pharmacists;
- (3) At least one psychiatrist or psychiatric nurse practitioner;
and
- (4) All other members must be physicians (subject to the cap of six), pharmacists, or nurse practitioners.

The bill removes provisions requiring members to have specific knowledge and expertise in certain areas.

The bill also removes a requirement that the Board publish an educational newsletter regarding its opinion of the proper usage of the Medicaid formulary.

The bill removes language that allows for the creation of up to six Regional Advisory Committees for the Board.

This bill is the same as HCS HB 2305 (2020).