



## AIM Legislative Round-up: May 22, 2026

As the 2026 state legislative calendar moves into its final phase, only **14 state legislatures** remain actively in regular session. With most chambers already adjourned and others shifting focus to gubernatorial action and signing deadlines, vaccine-related state policy debates have largely concluded for the year. AIM is tracking **446 bills** that were prefilled, introduced, or advanced in the legislative process since August 1 that could impact immunization programs. An overview of legislative movement over the last two weeks is provided below.

### Enacted: 4 Bills and 1 Resolution

- [IA SF 304](#) specifies that vaccinations do not fall under the scope of STI prevention care that minors can consent to receiving without parental approval
- [NY A 10711 and NY S 9598](#) removes direct ties to the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) in statutes related to vaccine requirements and provider scope of practice; adding reference to the health commissioner and alternative medical societies like the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) and the American College of Physicians (ACP)
- [NY A 10710 & NY S 9599](#) removes direct ties to ACIP in statutes related to insurance coverage for vaccines; adding reference to the health commissioner and alternative medical societies like AAP, ACOG, and ACP
- [NY K 1398](#) designates May 2026 as Hepatitis B Awareness month in the state, noting the benefits of Hepatitis B vaccination
- [SC H 4189](#) makes several changes to the health department structure, but was amended to include new definitions for "gene therapy," "vaccine," and "informed consent"

### Passed 2nd Chamber: 7 Bills

- [DE HB 338](#) would change the ACIP reference in the statute related to insurance coverage to now cover vaccines with ACIP recommendations "in effect on January 1, 2025" or other immunizations "supported by national clinical guidelines"
- [LA SB 29](#) would require autopsy reports for children under the age of 15 who die suddenly to list all vaccines received in the last 90 days, and report them to the Sudden unexpected infant death (SUID) and Sudden Death in the Young (SDY) Case Registry
- [MO HB 2372 and MO SB 841](#) would specify pharmacists can administer any U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved vaccines as on January 1, 2026, unless specifically excluded by the Board of Pharmacy, amongst other health-related changes
- [NH SB 453](#) would allow advanced practice registered nurses and physician associates to sign vaccine exemption forms for vaccine requirements

- [NH HB 1219](#) would prohibit vaccine requirements for parents residing in a foster home that exceed those required for school entry
- [NH HB 1584](#) would require that all vaccine promotional materials prominently display that medical and religious exemptions are available
- [NY A 3254 and NY S 3958](#) would require staff and children at summer camps to be vaccinated against a series of routine diseases

#### Passed 1st Chamber: 2 Bills

- [LA HB 926](#) would enact the Louisiana Medical Freedom act, prohibiting vaccines from being required by employers, public services and businesses and prohibiting discrimination based on one's vaccination status (amended to carve out requirements for schools and healthcare facilities)
- [NH HB 1022](#) would create a simple form to be used to obtain a religious exemption to vaccine requirements

#### Newly Introduced: 3 Bills

- **Three** new bills were introduced:
  - IL SR 803 would encourage the promotion of Hepatitis B vaccination and the development of a Hepatitis B strategic plan
  - IL HB 5774 would establish a new prospective payment system for Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) for all services outside of vaccination, keeping vaccines as separate fee-for-service payments
  - MI HB 5990 would prohibit vaccine requirements for parents/other individuals residing in a foster home

#### Other Legislative Movement: 17 Bills

- **Seventeen** bills that were previously introduced had some other form of legislative movement, short of passing the entire chamber (i.e., additional readings, additional cosponsors, committee assignments, and/or committee votes).

**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. If you are aware of missing information or have additional questions, **please contact the Association of Immunization Managers ([info@immunizationmanagers.org](mailto:info@immunizationmanagers.org))**.