

## 2010 Legislative Priorities



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- 1. Requires drug testing for work-eligible TANF applicants and recipients based upon reasonable suspicion** (SB 607, SB 602, SB615, SB725, HB 1289, and HB1377- Sponsor Crowell/SB 602, Stouffer/SB 607) This bill requires the Department of Social Services to develop a program to test applicants or recipients of temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) benefits who are eligible for employment when a case worker believes, based on reasonable suspicion, that such person engages in illegal use of controlled substances. **Any applicant or recipient who is found to have tested positive for the use of a controlled substance after an administrative hearing shall be declared ineligible for temporary assistance for needy families' benefits for a period of three years from the date of the administrative hearing decision.** The department shall refer an applicant or recipient who tested positive for the use of a controlled substance under this act to an appropriate substance abuse treatment program approved by the Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse within the Department of Mental Health. **MRN DOES NOT SUPPORT AS WRITTEN**
- 2. Changes the law regarding the classification of marijuana as a controlled substance and allows the use of marijuana for medicinal purposes under certain conditions** (HB 1670 Sponsor Rep. Kate Meiners) **MRN DOES NOT SUPPORT**
- 3. Modifies the eligibility requirements for food stamp assistance** (SB 612- Sponsor Wilson). This act provides that pursuant to the option granted under the federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act of 1996, an individual who has a felony conviction under federal or state law involving possession or use of a controlled substance shall be eligible for food stamp benefits if such person, as determined by the department of social services, successfully participates in or has satisfactorily completed a substance abuse treatment program approved by the Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse or complies with all obligations imposed by the court, Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse and the Division of Probation and Parole. The individual must all meet all other factors for foods stamps eligibility. **(MRN SUPPORTS)**
- 4. Prohibits a person from possessing or drinking any alcoholic beverage in the State Capitol or on the State Capitol grounds unless authorized by a Governor's order for a special event** (HB2078, Trent Skaggs) **MRN SUPPORTS**
- 5. Makes spice cannabinoids, commonly known as "spice" or "K2" A Schedule I controlled substances.** (SB 887, HB 1472 and HB 2050, Sponsor Schaefer) **MRN SUPPORTS**
- 6. Changes the laws regarding driving while intoxicated** (HB 1702 Sponsor Bryan Stevenson) **MRN SUPPORTS**