

MoATA Governmental Affairs Report  
by Chairman Morgan Simpson  
2020 State Business Meeting

Committee Members: Johnnie Jo Hudgings, Brent Holtgrewe, Michelle Boyd, Joe Whetstone, Mike Hudson,  
Devon Schmitz.

AT Legislation during 2020:

**SB 670 & HB 2590 – practice act update**  
**SB 916 & HB 2678 – AT reimbursement**

**March 16<sup>th</sup>** The Senate adjourned a week before schedule spring break due to COVID-19

**March 23<sup>rd</sup>** The House adjourned for spring break

- The House and Senate adjournment was extended all the way to April 27th due to COVID-19

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- The House and Senate returned to pass bills and complete the budget before May 15<sup>th</sup>
- HB 2046 – Modifies provisions related to professional registration
  - The practice act language from SS SCS SB 670 was substituted into this HB 2046

**May 12<sup>th</sup> CCS SS HCS HB 2046 - Was Truly Agreed and Finally Passed**

**May 27<sup>th</sup> CCS SS HCS HB 2046 – Delivered to the Governor to sign. The bill effective date is 8/28/2020.**

For the entire 2020 legislative session the House and Senate Truly Agreed and Finally Passed **38 bills**.

AT Reimbursement legislation was referred to House and Senate Committees but did not have a hearing.

I want to thank everyone who has volunteered valuable time and support. This also can't be done without the leadership of the Executive Committee and the members being active in our association.

\*Special Thank You:

- Senator Lincoln Hough and Representative Steve Helms for sponsoring practice act language.
- Senator Sandy Crawford and Representative Mike Stephen for sponsoring athletic trainer reimbursement language.
- President Karen Fennell who made countless visits to the Capital this year to educate House and Senate members. She definitely made an impression as to the importance of updating the practice act language.