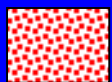
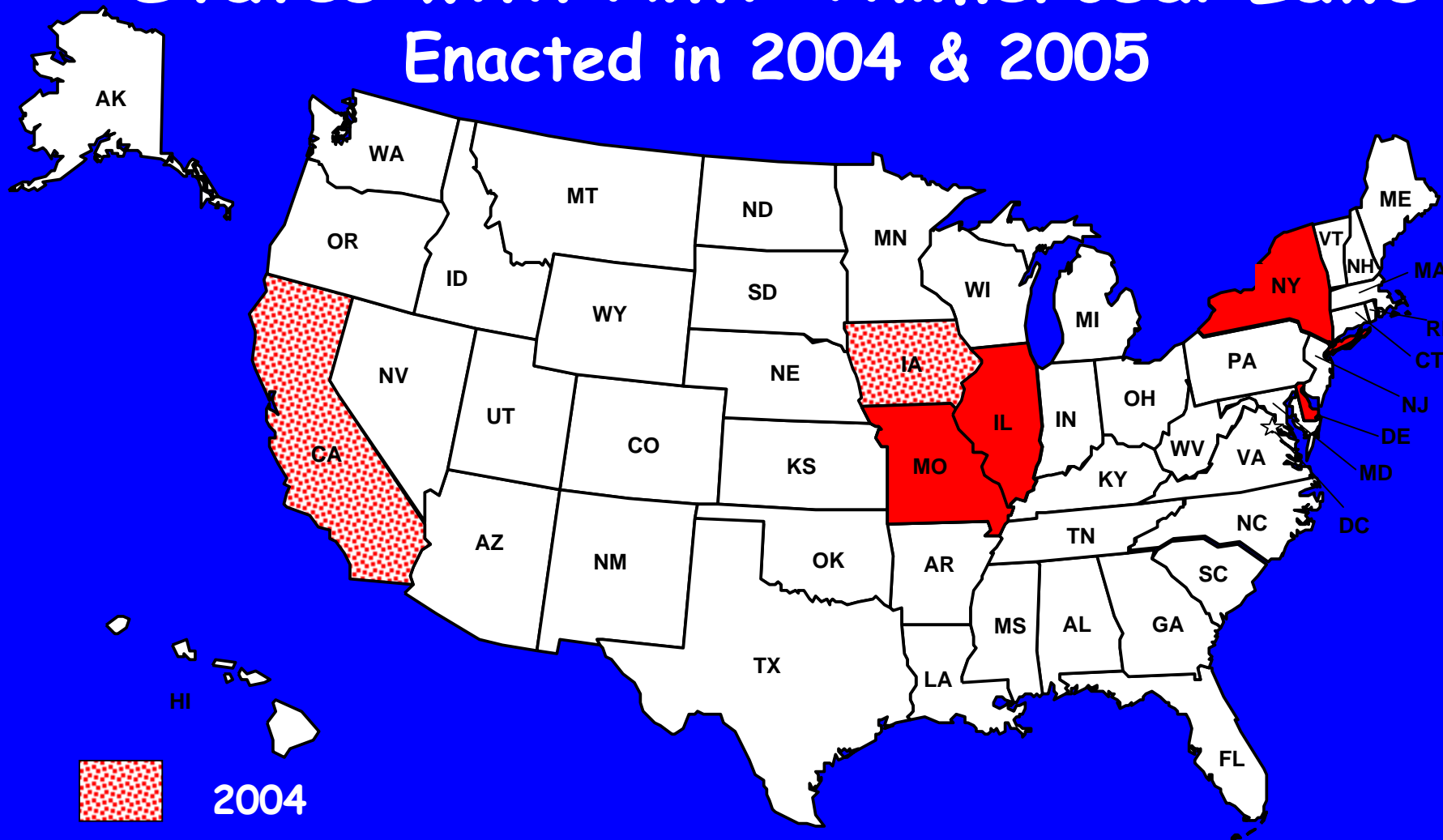


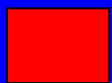
# Update: Anti-thimerosal Legislation

2007 National Influenza Vaccine Summit  
April 18-20: Atlanta, GA

# States with Anti-Thimerosal Laws Enacted in 2004 & 2005



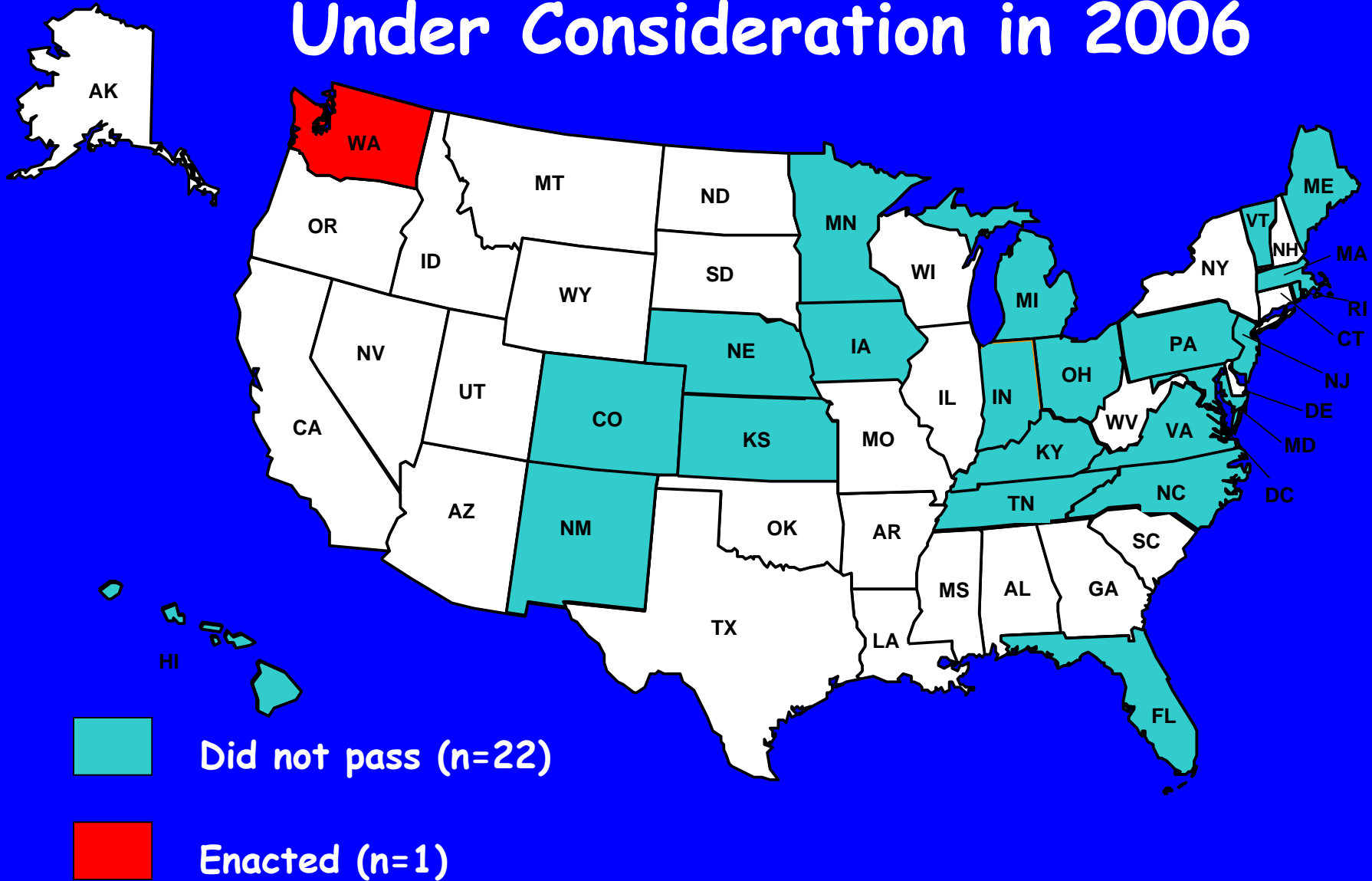
2004



2005

N = 6 states

# States with Anti-Thimerosal Bills Under Consideration in 2006



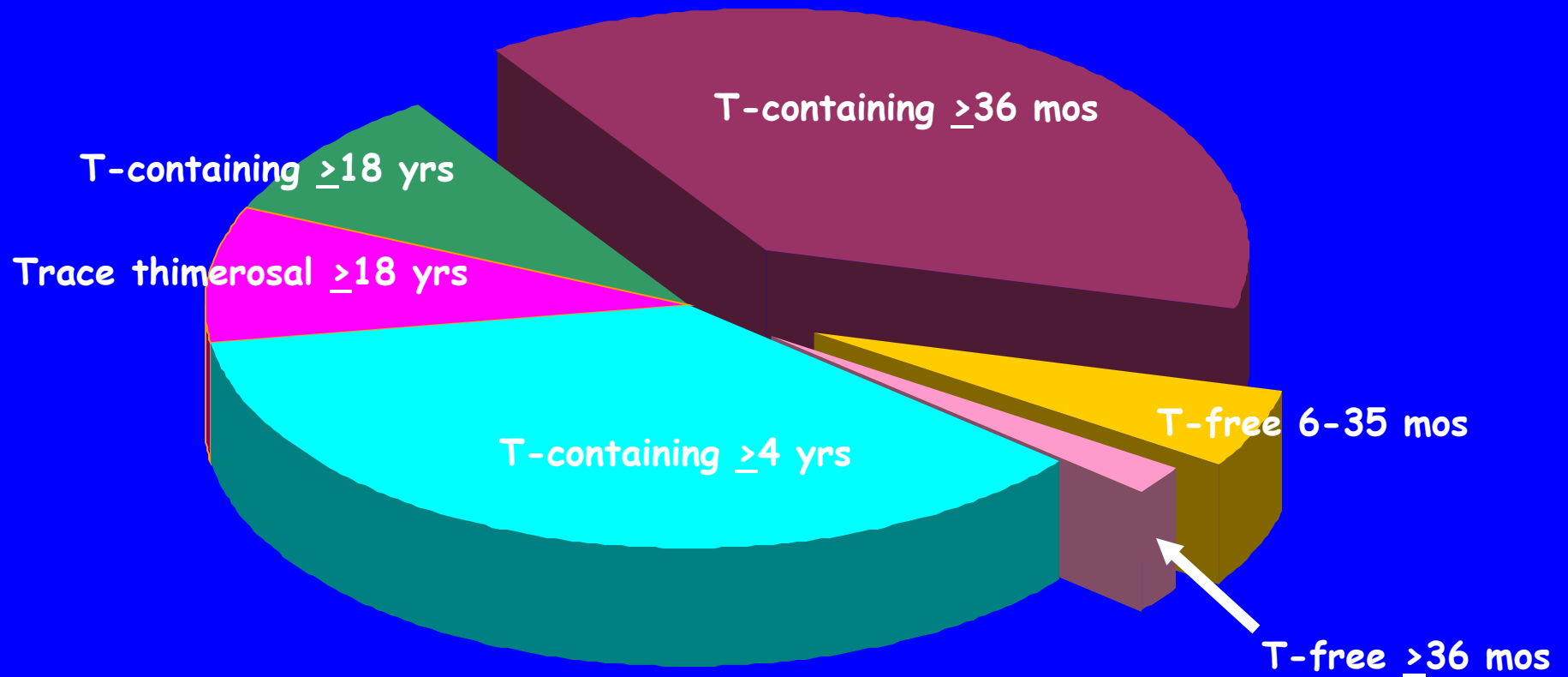
# Summary of State Laws Prohibiting Thimerosal

State	Date	Ages	Pregnant women	Limits on influenza vaccine	Limits on all other vaccines
CA	7/1/06	<3 yrs	✓	≤1.0 µg	≤0.5 µg
DE	1/1/06	<8 yrs	✓	exempt	≤0.5 µg
DE	1/1/07	<8 yrs	✓	≤trace	≤trace
DE	1/1/08	<8 yrs	✓	0 Hg	0 Hg

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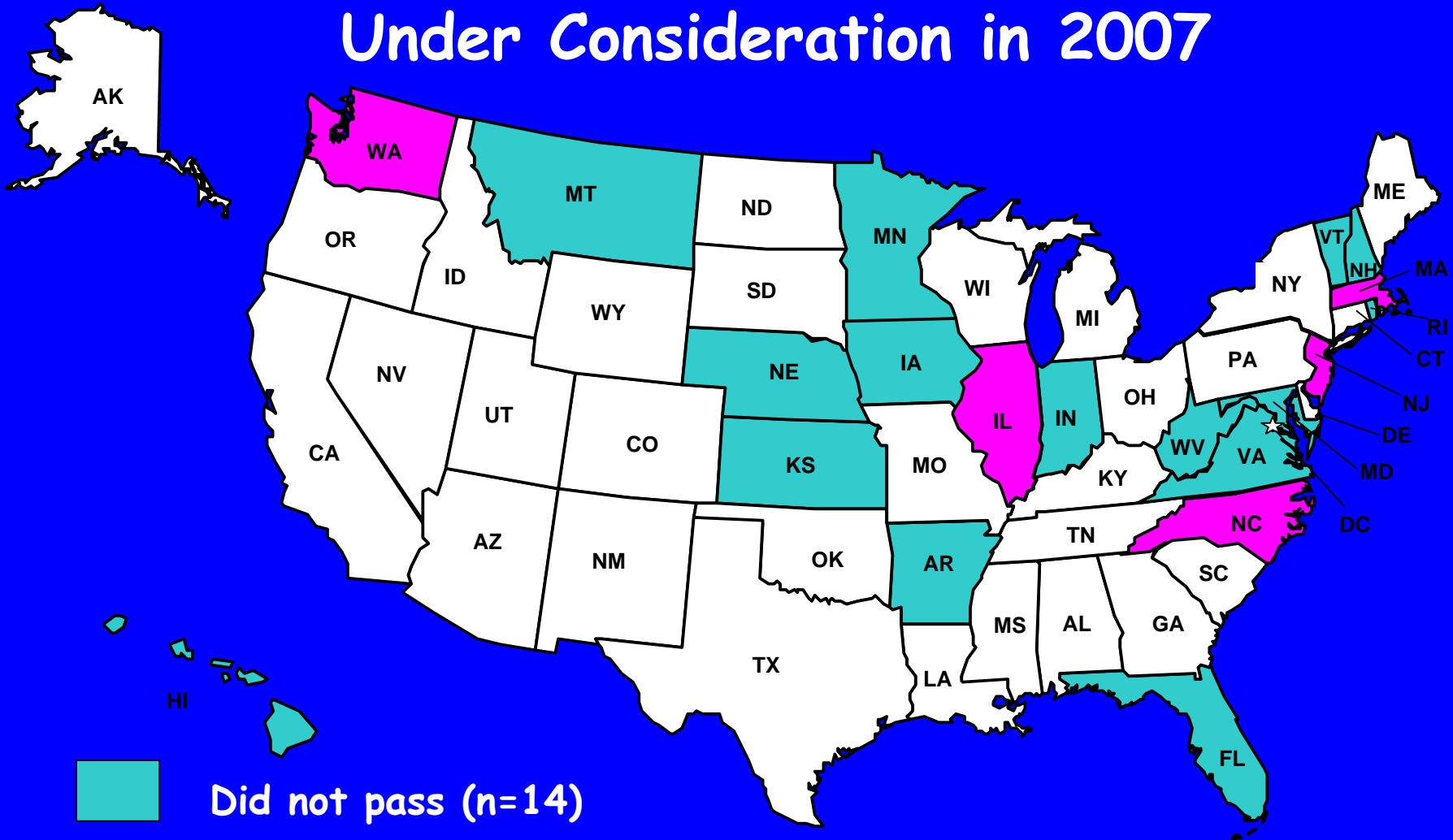
State	Date	Ages	Pregnant women	Limits on influenza vaccine	Limits on all other vaccines
IL	1/1/06	all	✓	≤1.25 µg	≤1.25 µg
IL	1/1/08	all	✓	0 Hg	0 Hg
IA	1/1/06	<8 yrs		none	≤trace
MO	4/1/07	<3 yrs	✓	≤1.0 µg	≤1.0 µg
NY	7/1/08	<3 yrs	✓	≤1.25 µg	≤0.5 µg
WA	7/1/07	<3 yrs	✓	≤1.0 µg	≤0.5 µg

# Injectable Influenza Vaccine Produced for 2006-07 Season



Total: 110 million doses

# States with Anti-Thimerosal Laws Under Consideration in 2007

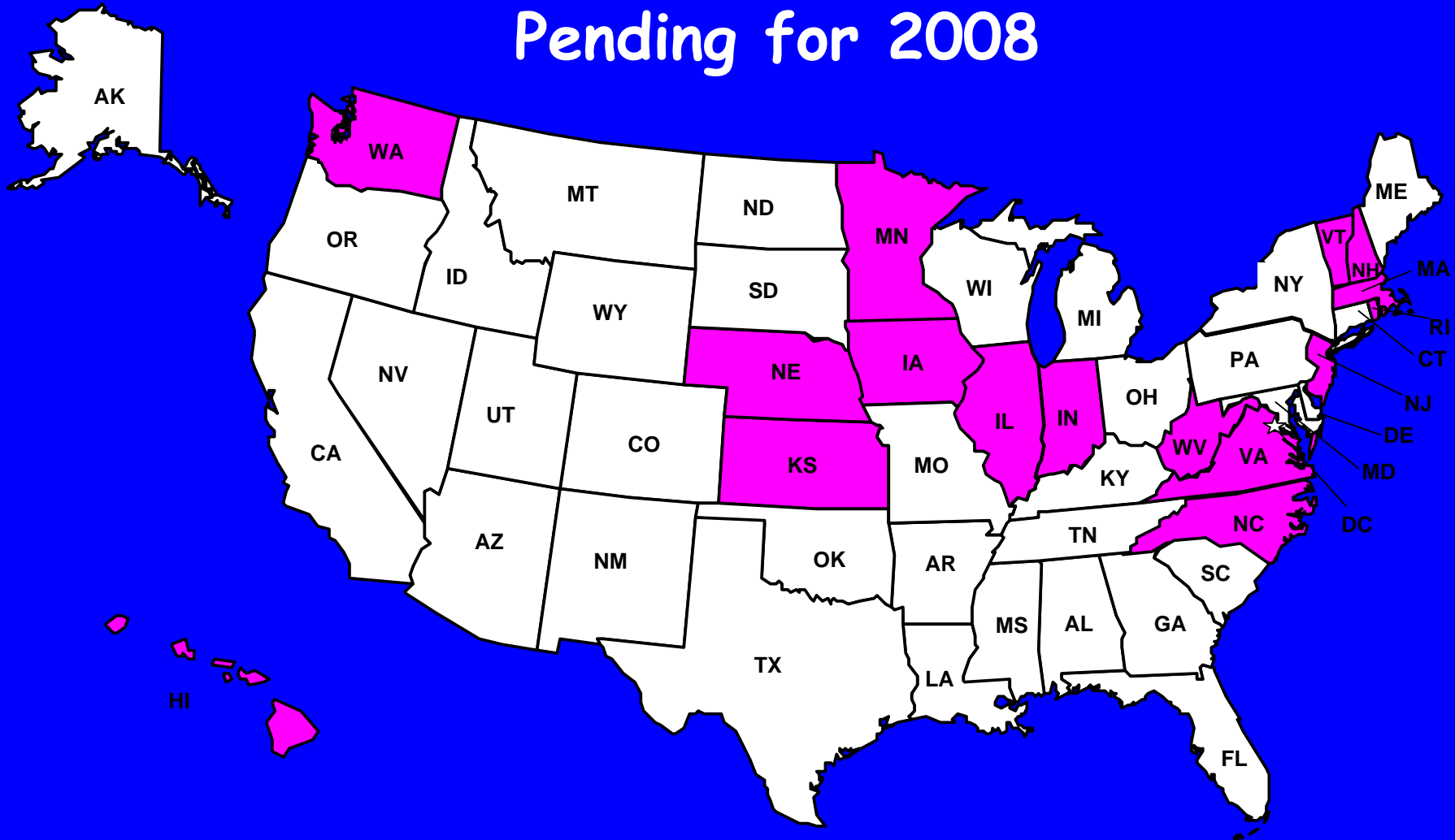


Did not pass (n=14)

Viable bills (n=6)

As of 4-18-07

# States with Anti-Thimerosal Bills Pending for 2008



Viable bills



# Issues for State Legislators and Other Policy Makers

- Difficult communication issues
- Complex science that cannot prove the negative
- Very intense advocacy
- Reality of many unanswered questions about autism and unmet needs of affected families

## Your next step

- Be an advocate for safe & effective vaccines.
- Be an advocate for sound public policy based on science.
- Partner with others.
- Get involved!