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1) Support

AB 25 (Campos D) Employment: social media.

Current Text: Amended: 5/1/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 12/3/2012 **Last Amend:** 5/1/2013

Status: 5/29/2013-Referred to Com. on L. & I.R.

Location: 5/29/2013-S. L. & I.R.

Calendar: 6/12/2013 9:30 a.m. - Rose Ann Vuich Hearing Room (2040) SENATE LABOR AND

INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS, LIEU, Chair

Summary: Existing law prohibits a private employer from requiring or requesting an employee or applicant for employment to disclose a username or password for the purpose of accessing personal social media, to access personal social media in the presence of the employer, or to divulge any personal social media. Existing law prohibits a private employer from discharging, disciplining, threatening to discharge or discipline, or otherwise retaliating against an employee or applicant for not complying with a request or demand that violates these provisions. This bill would apply the provisions described above to public employers, as defined. The bill would state that its provisions address a matter of statewide interest and apply to public employers generally, including charter cities and counties.

Memo

6/4/13 Support letter to Sen. Labor and Industrial Relations and author

AB 132 (Holden D) Personal income taxes: retirement plans: early distributions.

Current Text: Amended: 3/21/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/16/2013 Last Amend: 3/21/2013

Status: 5/28/2013-Action: Set for hearing. Next hearing on 6/10/2013 in A. REV. & TAX.

Location: 5/29/2013-A. REV. & TAX

Calendar: 6/10/2013 Anticipated Hearing ASSEMBLY REV. & TAX, Not in daily file.

Summary: The Personal Income Tax Law, in modified conformity to federal income tax laws, imposes an additional tax upon early distributions from specified retirement plans, as provided. This bill would, for taxable years, beginning on or after January 1, 2014, and before January 1, 2017, exclude from that additional tax the first \$6,000 distributed to an individual for the purpose of paying qualified costs, as defined, with respect to acquisition indebtedness for a principal residence, as provided. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 247 (Wagner R) Personal income taxes: voluntary contribution: California Fund for Senior Citizens.

Current Text: Amended: 4/17/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/6/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/17/2013

Status: 5/29/2013-In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.

Location: 5/23/2013-S. G. & F.

Summary: Under the Personal Income Tax Law, taxpayers are allowed to contribute amounts in excess of their tax liability for the support of the California Fund for Senior Citizens until the year in which the minimum contribution is not received, or January 1, 2015, which ever occurs first. This bill would extend the date of January 1, 2015, to January 1, 2020.

Memo

5/22/13 Support letter to author

6/4/13 Support letter to Sen. Governance and Finance and author

AB 298 (Pan D) Rural Health Care Equity Program.

Current Text: Amended: 4/17/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/12/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/17/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 5/24/2013)

Location: 5/24/2013-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law, until July 3, 2010, or earlier upon a specified finding, established the Rural

Health Care Equity Program for the purpose of funding the subsidization and reimbursement of premium costs, deductibles, coinsurance, and other out-of-pocket health care expenses paid by state employees of State Bargaining Unit 5 living in rural areas, as defined. Existing law provided for funding and reimbursement provisions for purposes of the program. Existing law provided that the program would be operative only to the extent that funding was provided in the annual Budget Act or another statute and solely for the benefit of employees of State Bargaining Unit 5. The bill would reestablish the Rural Health Care Equity Program until January 1, 2015, or to an earlier date upon a specified finding, and would extend the benefits to all employees and annuitants living in rural areas. This bill would provide that the program would be operative only to the extent that funding is provided in the annual Budget Act.

Memo

5/6/13 Support letter to Assembly Appropriations

AB 418 (Mullin D) California Whistleblower Protection Act: state agency: Internet.

Current Text: Amended: 4/15/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/15/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/15/2013

Status: 5/23/2013-Referred to Com. on G.O.

Location: 5/23/2013-S. G.O.

Summary: The California Whistleblower Protection Act establishes procedures under which a state employee may report improper governmental activities or make a protected disclosure to the State Auditor and prohibits retaliation or reprisal against a state employee for these acts. The act requires the State Auditor to investigate and report on improper governmental activities, as defined. This bill would require a state agency to post a graphical link, as specified, to the State Auditor's Internet Web page that contains information on how to file a complaint to the State Auditor under the act. The bill would require the graphical link to include the phone number that the public and a state employee may use to make a complaint to the State Auditor under the act.

Memo

6/4/13 Support letter to Sen. Governmental Organization and author

AB 707 (Ting D) Vehicles.

Current Text: Amended: 5/1/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/21/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/1/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 5/24/2013-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law provides that the prima facie speed limit is 25 miles per hour when passing a senior center or other facility primarily used by senior citizens that is next to a street other than a state highway and posted with a standard "SENIOR" warning sign. Existing law provides that a local authority is not required to erect the standard "SENIOR" warning sign until it receives donations from a private source to cover the costs of erecting the signage and the local authority determines that the proposed signing should be implemented. Existing law provides, however, that a local authority may pay for the cost of erecting the signs with any other funds available to it. This bill would instead permit a local authority to erect a standard "SENIOR" warning sign when it determines that the proposed signing should be implemented. The bill would also authorize a local authority to request grant funding to pay for the erection of those warning signs from the Pedestrian Safety Account or from any other source of grant funding.

Memo

5/20/13 Support letter to author

AB 918 (Cooley D) Emergency services: preparedness.

Current Text: Amended: 5/1/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/1/2013

Status: 5/29/2013-Referred to Com. on G.O.

Location: 5/29/2013-S. G.O.

Calendar: 6/25/2013 9:30 a.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203) SENATE GOVERNMENTAL

ORGANIZATION, WRIGHT, Chair

Summary: The California Emergency Services Act sets forth the duties of the Office of Emergency Services with respect to specified emergency preparedness, mitigation, and response activities within the state. This bill would require the office, on or before July 31, 2015, to update the State Emergency Plan to include proposed best practices for local governments and nongovernmental entities to use to mobilize and evacuate people with disabilities and others with access and functional needs during an emergency or natural disaster.

Memo

6/4/13 Support letter to Sen. Governmental Organization and author

AB 1322 (Patterson R) State Controller: property tax postponement.

Current Text: Amended: 5/1/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/1/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-In committee: Set, second hearing. Held under submission.

Location: 5/24/2013-A. APPR.

Summary: The Senior Citizens and Disabled Citizens Property Tax Postponement Law, until February 20, 2009, authorized a claimant, as defined, to file a claim with the Controller to postpone the payment of ad valorem property taxes, where household income, as defined, did not exceed specified amounts. That law authorized the Controller, upon approval of the claim, to either make payment directly to specified entities, or to issue the claimant a certificate of eligibility that constituted a written promise of the state to pay the amount specified on the certificate, as provided. That law required these payments to be made out of specified funds appropriated to the Controller, as specified, and also required certain repaid property tax postponement payments to be paid into an impound account and transferred, as specified, to the General Fund. This bill would repeal the prohibition against a person filing a claim for postponement and the Controller from accepting applications for postponement under the program as of July 1, 2014. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Memo

5/22/13 Support letter to Asm. Appropriations and author

AB 1374 (Gray D) State government: The California Whistleblower Protection Act: state agencies:

Internet.

Current Text: Amended: 3/21/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 3/21/2013

Status: 5/3/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was JUD. on 4/1/2013)

Location: 5/3/2013-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: The California Whistleblower Protection Act establishes procedures under which a state employee may report improper governmental activities or make a protected disclosure to the California State Auditor, and prohibits retaliation or reprisal against a state employee for these acts. The act requires the California State Auditor, to investigate and report on improper governmental activities, as defined. This bill would require a state agency to post a graphical link, as specified, to the California State Auditor's Internet Web page that contains information on how to file a complaint under the act.

AJR 7 (Bonta D) Social security, Medicare, and Medicaid.

Current Text: Chaptered: 5/20/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/30/2013

Status: 5/20/2013-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Res. Chapter 35, Statutes of 2013.

Location: 5/20/2013-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: This measure would request the President and the United States Congress to exclude social security, Medicare, and Medicaid from being a part of any legislation to reduce the federal deficit. This measure would express the Legislature's opposition to cuts to social security, Medicare, and Medicaid, and call on California's representatives to the United States Congress to vote against cuts to social security, Medicare, and Medicaid and to consider improving those systems in ways that would strengthen their protections.

Memo

5/10/13 Support letter to author

2) Oppose

AB 1163 (Levine D) Public Employees' Retirement System: Board of Administration: composition.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013

Status: 5/3/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was P.E., R. & S.S. on

3/7/2013)

Location: 5/3/2013-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: The California Constitution prohibits changing the composition of the retirement board of certain public pension systems, including the number, terms, and method of selection and removal of members, unless the change is ratified by a majority vote of the electors of the jurisdiction in which the participants of the pension system are or were, prior to retirement, employed. Existing law creates

the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) for the purpose of governing the system and prescribes the composition of the board. Existing law requires, among other things, that one member of the board of administration be a member of the State Personnel Board, serving at the pleasure of the State Personnel Board. This bill would revise the composition of the Board of Administration of PERS. The bill would eliminate the position of the member of the State Personnel Board and would replace that position with the Director of Finance. The bill would add to the board 2 persons, appointed by the Governor, who are independent, as defined, and have financial expertise. This provision would not become operative unless ratified by a majority of voters at a statewide election. The bill would require the Secretary of State to submit that provision of the bill to the voters at the next statewide election.

SB 24 (Walters R) Public employees' retirement: benefit plans.

Current Text: Introduced: 12/3/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 12/3/2012

Status: 5/3/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was P.E. & R. on

1/10/2013)

Location: 5/3/2013-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law regulates state and local public retirement systems and generally requires public employees who are new members, as defined, of those systems, on and after January 1, 2013, to participate in specified benefit plans. Existing law permits a public employer that, before January 1, 2013, offers a defined benefit pension plan that provides a defined benefit formula with a lower benefit factor at normal retirement age, and results in a lower normal cost, than the defined benefit formula required for new employees on and after January 1, 2012, to continue to offer that defined benefit formula and excepts the employer from specified requirements regarding pensionable compensation. Existing law requires, in the case of these plans, if a new defined benefit formula is adopted on or after January 1, 2013, that the formula meet certain requirements and, among other things, be approved by the Legislature. Existing law prescribes the same requirements for a retirement benefit plan that consists solely of a defined contribution plan if the employer, on or after January 1, 2013, adopts a new defined benefit pension plan or defined benefit formula, as specified. This bill would eliminate the requirement that the Legislature approve the changes in the instances described above. This bill would also authorize a local agency public employer or public retirement system that offers a defined benefit pension plan to offer a benefit formula with a lower benefit factor at normal retirement age and that results in a lower normal cost than the benefit formulas that are currently required, for purposes of addressing a fiscal necessity.

Memo

Letter to be sent if bill is set for committee.

SB 774 (Walters R) State employees: postemployment benefits.

Current Text: Amended: 4/15/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/15/2013

Status: 5/3/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was P.E. & R. on

4/22/2013)

Location: 5/3/2013-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: The Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA), which is administered by the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System, establishes provisions governing postemployment health care benefits for certain retired public employees and their families, upon meeting vesting requirements and subject to various limitations. Existing law provides that a represented state employee first hired on or after January 1, 1989, shall not be vested for the full employer contribution payable for annuitants unless he or she has 20 years of credited state service, as defined, at the time of retirement, as specified. This bill would prohibit a state employer, as defined, for employees first hired on or after January 1, 2015, from providing postemployment health care benefits on behalf of its employees unless it fully funds those benefits, as determined by an actuary. This bill would also prohibit a public employer, for employees first hired on or after January 1, 2015, from entering into a memorandum of understanding or other collective bargaining agreement that provides for defined postemployment health care benefits for which a state employee may opt in unless each employee pays at least 50% of the actuarially required contributions to fund those health care benefits. This bill would additionally provide that, for state employees who become members of the system on and after January 1, 2015, the employer share of contribution for these benefits is 50% after 15 years of credited state service and would increase that percentage by 5% for each year of credit state service up to 100% after 25 years of credited state service.

Memo

Opposed in Senate P.E.&R. Committee.

SB 775 (Walters R) State employees: postemployment benefits.

Current Text: Amended: 4/15/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013

Last Amend: 4/15/2013

Status: 5/3/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was P.E. & R. on

4/22/2013)

Location: 5/3/2013-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law requires all state and local retirement systems to secure, not less than triennially, the services of an enrolled actuary, who is to perform a valuation of the system. Existing law requires all state and local public retirement systems to secure the services of a qualified person to perform an attest audit of the system's financial statements and to provide reports in this regard to the Controller. Existing law requires the Controller to review these reports and requires the Controller to publish an annual report on the financial condition of all state and local public retirement systems, as specified. This bill would require the Controller to include in its 2015 report a section that uses the data collected for that report to evaluate the actuarial feasibility and associated costs of a statewide buyout of current state employees' defined postemployment health care benefits.

Memo

Opposed in Senate P.E.&R. Committee.

3) Watch

AB 50 (Pan D) Health care coverage: Medi-Cal: eligibility: enrollment.

Current Text: Amended: 5/13/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 12/21/2012 **Last Amend:** 5/13/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 12. Noes 5.) (May 24). Read second time. Ordered

to third reading.

Location: 5/24/2013-A. THIRD READING

Calendar: 6/6/2013 #9 ASSEMBLY ASSEMBLY THIRD READING FILE

Summary: Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid Program provisions. This bill would require the department to establish a process in accordance with federal law to allow a hospital that is a participating Medi-Cal provider to elect to be a qualified entity for purposes of determining whether any individual is eligible for Medi-Cal and providing the individual with medical assistance during the presumptive eligibility period. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 55 (Hernández, Roger D) State holidays: Native American Day.

Current Text: Amended: 2/19/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/7/2013 **Last Amend:** 2/19/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

on 5/1/2013)

Location: 5/24/2013-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law recognizes various holidays. Existing law requires the Governor to proclaim annually the 4th Friday in September to be Native American Day. This bill would recognize the 4th

Friday in September as a state holiday to be known as Native American Day.

<u>AB 73</u> (<u>Blumenfield</u> **D) 2013**-14 Budget.

Current Text: Amended: 5/29/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/10/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/29/2013

Status: 5/29/2013-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on

BUDGET. Read second time and amended.

Location: 5/29/2013-A. BUDGET

Summary:

This bill would make appropriations for support of state government for the 2013-14 fiscal year.

This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 111 (Committee on Budget) Budget Act of 2012.

Current Text: Amended: 5/7/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/10/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/7/2013

Status: 5/13/2013-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

Location: 5/13/2013-A. THIRD READING

Calendar: 6/6/2013 #5 ASSEMBLY ASSEMBLY THIRD READING FILE

Summary: The Budget Act of 2012 made appropriations for the support of state government for the 2012-13 fiscal year. This bill would amend the Budget Act of 2012 by revising items of appropriation and making other changes in the Budget Act of 2012. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 112 (Committee on Budget) In-home supportive services.

Current Text: Amended: 5/7/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/10/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/7/2013

Status: 5/13/2013-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

Location: 5/13/2013-A. THIRD READING

Calendar: 6/6/2013 #6 ASSEMBLY ASSEMBLY THIRD READING FILE

Summary: Existing law provides for the county-administered In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program, under which qualified aged, blind, and disabled persons are provided with services to permit them to remain in their own homes and avoid institutionalization. Existing law requires the State Department of Social Services to implement, under specified circumstances, a 20% reduction in authorized hours of service to each IHSS recipient, beginning January 1, 2012, except as specified. This bill would delete those provisions. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing

laws.

AB 130 (Alejo D) Health care districts: chief executive officers: benefits.

Current Text: Amended: 6/3/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/15/2013 **Last Amend:** 6/3/2013

Status: 6/3/2013-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to

committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on GOV. & F.

Location: 6/3/2013-S. G. & F.

Calendar: 6/12/2013 9:30 a.m. - Room 112 SENATE GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE, WOLK, Chair

Summary:

The Local Health Care District Law governs the organization and management of local health care districts, formerly known and sometimes referred to as local hospital districts. Among other things, that law authorizes the board of supervisors of a local health care district to establish, maintain, and operate, or provide assistance in the operation of, one or more health facilities or health services, including, but not limited to, retirement programs, services, and facilities. The law also authorizes a local health care district to enter into a written employment contract with a chief executive officer. This bill would instead authorize a local health care district to enter into an employment contract with a hospital administrator, including a hospital administrator who is designated as chief executive officer. The bill would also prohibit a health care district from entering into, or renewing, an employment contract with a hospital administrator, including a hospital administrator who is designated as chief executive officer, on or after January 1, 2014, that authorizes retirement plan benefits to be paid to the hospital administrator prior to his or her retirement.

AB 155 (Alejo D) Employment: payroll records: right to inspect.

Current Text: Amended: 5/29/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/29/2013

Status: 6/3/2013-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 6/3/2013-S. RLS.

Summary:

Existing law requires an employer to furnish each employee with an accurate itemized statement showing, among other things, the gross and net wages earned, the inclusive dates of the pay period, and all deductions. Existing law requires the employer to keep on file a copy of the statement for at least 3 years at a specified location. Existing law affords current and former employees the right to inspect or copy records pertaining to their employment, upon reasonable request to the employer. Under existing law, if the employer provides copies of the records, the employer is authorized to charge any actual costs of reproduction of the employee's records to the current or former employee. This bill would require the employee to elect to inspect or copy, or receive a copy of, or any combination thereof, his or her employment records and would require the employer to comply with that election. The bill would entitle a former employee terminated for workplace violence or harassment only to receive a copy of the records, without any charge by the employer. The bill would define "actual cost of reproduction" to mean only the per page cost to the employer for the physical duplication of the records. The bill would also declare the Legislature's intent in this regard.

AB 160 (Alejo D) California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013: exceptions.

Current Text: Amended: 5/28/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/28/2013

Status: 5/29/2013-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Location: 5/29/2013-A. APPR.

Summary:

(1) The California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA), on and after January 1, 2013, requires a public retirement system, as defined, to modify its plan or plans to comply with the act, as specified. Among other things, PEPRA prohibits a public employer from offering a defined benefit pension plan exceeding specified retirement formulas, requires new members of public retirement systems to contribute at least a specified amount of the normal cost, as defined, for their defined benefit plans, and prohibits an enhancement of a public employee's retirement formula or benefit adopted after January 1, 2013, from applying to service performed prior to the operative date of the enhancement.

This bill would except from PEPRA, by excepting from the definition of public retirement system, certain multiemployer plans authorized under federal law and retirement plans for public employees whose collective bargaining rights are protected by a specified provision of federal law if a federal agency determines there is a conflict with federal law.

This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 205 (Pan D) Public employees' retirement: pension fund management.

Current Text: Introduced: 1/30/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/30/2013

Status: 5/23/2013-Referred to Com. on P.E. & R.

Location: 5/23/2013-S. P.E. & R.

Calendar: 6/10/2013 2 p.m. or upon adjournment of session Rose Ann Vuich Hearing Room (2040)

SENATE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT, BEALL, Chair

Summary: The County Employees Retirement Law of 1937 authorizes counties to establish retirement systems, as specified, in order to provide pension benefits to county, city, and district employees. The California Constitution confers upon the retirement boards of public retirement systems plenary authority and fiduciary responsibility for the investment of moneys of those systems. Existing law authorizes the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System and the Teachers' Retirement Board of the State Teachers' Retirement System, consistent with their fiduciary duties and the standard for prudent investment, to prioritize investment in an in-state infrastructure project over a comparable out-of-state infrastructure project. This bill would extend the authorization to prioritize investment in an in-state infrastructure project, as described above, to the board of retirement or the board of investments of a retirement system established pursuant to the County Employees Retirement Law of 1937.

AB 209 (Pan D) Medi-Cal: managed care: quality, accessibility, and utilization.

Current Text: Amended: 4/9/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/30/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/9/2013

Status: 6/5/2013-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 9. Noes 0.) (June 5).

Re-referred to Com. on APPR. **Location:** 6/5/2013-S. APPR.

Summary: Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid Program provisions. Under existing law, one of the methods by which Medi-Cal services are provided is pursuant to contracts with various types of managed care plans. This bill would require the department to develop and implement a plan, as specified, to monitor, evaluate, and improve the quality, accessibility, and utilization of health care and dental services provided through Medi-Cal managed care. The bill would require the department to hold quarterly public meetings to report on, among other things, performance measures and quality and access standards, and to invite public comments. The bill would require the department to appoint an advisory committee, with specified responsibilities, for the purpose of making recommendations to the department and to the Legislature in order to improve quality and access in the delivery of Medi-Cal managed care services. The bill would be implemented to the extent that funding is provided in the annual budget act or federal, private, or other non-General Fund moneys are available.

AB 236 (Rendon D) State employees: memorandum of understanding.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/5/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/5/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 12. Noes 1.) (May 24). Read second time. Ordered

to third reading.

Location: 5/24/2013-A. THIRD READING

Calendar: 6/6/2013 #10 ASSEMBLY ASSEMBLY THIRD READING FILE

Summary: Existing law provides that a provision of a memorandum of understanding reached between the state employer and a recognized employee organization representing state civil service employees that requires the expenditure of funds does not become effective unless approved by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act. This bill would approve provisions of a memorandum of understanding entered into between the state employer and State Bargaining Unit 7, the California Statewide Law Enforcement Association, that require the expenditure of funds, and would provide that these provisions will become effective even if these provisions are approved by the Legislature in legislation other than the annual Budget Act. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 237 (Rendon D) State employees: memorandum of understanding.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/5/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/5/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 12. Noes 0.) (May 24). Read second time. Ordered

to third reading.

Location: 5/24/2013-A. THIRD READING

Calendar: 6/6/2013 #11 ASSEMBLY ASSEMBLY THIRD READING FILE

Summary: Existing law provides that a provision of a memorandum of understanding reached between the state employer and a recognized employee organization representing state civil service employees that requires the expenditure of funds does not become effective unless approved by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act. This bill would approve provisions of a memorandum of understanding entered into between the state employer and State Bargaining Unit 6, the California Correctional Peace Officers Association, that require the expenditure of funds, and would provide that these provisions will become effective even if these provisions are approved by the Legislature in legislation other than the annual Budget Act. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 322 (Yamada D) Home Care Services Act of 2013.

Current Text: Amended: 4/23/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/12/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/23/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-In committee: Set, second hearing. Held under submission.

Location: 5/8/2013-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: Existing law provides for the licensing and regulation of various community care facilities by the State Department of Social Services. This bill would enact the Home Care Services Act of 2013 and would provide for the licensure and regulation of home care organizations, as defined, by the State Department of Social Services. The bill would establish home care organizations as being recognized in the health care industry. The bill would prohibit, after January 1, 2016, an individual or entity from arranging for the provision of home care services, as defined, by a home care aide without first obtaining a license and would authorize a district attorney, the Attorney General, or the department to impose a civil penalty on an individual or entity that operates a home care organization without a license. The bill would also impose various licensure requirements on a home care organization. The bill would require a home care organization to provide a client with specified information before arranging for the provision of home care services to that client, including, but not limited to, the types and hours of available home care services and the extent to which payment may be expected from specified sources. In addition, the home care organization would be required to, among other things, distribute to the client a written notice of certain enumerated rights. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 334 (Gomez D) State personnel: employment of outside legal counsel.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/13/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/13/2013

Status: 5/2/2013-Referred to Com. on P.E. & R.

Location: 5/2/2013-S. P.E. & R.

Calendar: 6/10/2013 2 p.m. or upon adjournment of session Rose Ann Vuich Hearing Room (2040)

SENATE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT, BEALL, Chair

Summary: Existing law generally requires the written consent of the Attorney General prior to employment of outside counsel for representation of any state agency or employee in any judicial proceeding. Existing law requires a state agency requesting the consent of the Attorney General to employ outside counsel to provide a notice containing specified information regarding the request to the designated representative of State Employees Bargaining Unit 2. Existing law further requires a state agency, when it submits a contract for outside counsel to the Department of General Services in connection with state contracting requirements, to also submit a copy of the contract to the designated representative of State Employees Bargaining Unit 2. This bill would provide that the failure of a state agency to provide a copy of the contract for outside counsel to the designated representative State Employees Bargaining Unit 2 when it provides a copy to the Department of General Services, as described above, is an independent basis for the State Personnel Board to disapprove the contract.

AB 361 (Mitchell D) Medi-Cal: Health Homes for Medi-Cal Enrollees and Section 1115 Waiver

Demonstration Populations with Chronic and Complex Conditions.

Current Text: Amended: 5/24/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/14/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/24/2013

Status: 6/3/2013-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 6/3/2013-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid Program provisions. Existing federal law authorizes a state, subject to federal approval of a state plan amendment, to offer health home services, as defined, to eligible individuals with chronic conditions. This bill would authorize the department, subject to federal approval, to create a health home program for enrollees with chronic conditions, as prescribed, as authorized under federal law. This bill would provide that those provisions shall not be implemented unless federal financial participation is available and additional General Fund moneys are not used to fund the administration and service costs, except as specified. This bill would require the department to ensure that an evaluation of the program is completed, if created by the department, and would require that the department submit a report to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature within 2 years after implementation of the program.

AB 373 (Mullin D) Public Employees' Long-Term Care Act.

Current Text: Amended: 3/19/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/14/2013 **Last Amend:** 3/19/2013

Status: 5/9/2013-Referred to Com. on P.E. & R.

Location: 5/9/2013-S. P.E. & R.

Calendar: 6/10/2013 2 p.m. or upon adjournment of session Rose Ann Vuich Hearing Room (2040)

SENATE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT, BEALL, Chair

Summary: The Public Employees Long-Term Care Act requires the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System to contract with carriers offering long-term care insurance plans for eligible employees and annuitants, as defined. Existing law requires that long-term care insurance plans be made available periodically during open enrollment periods determined by the board. Existing law prescribes the classes of people who are eligible to enroll in these plans. This bill would provide that domestic partners and adult children are eligible to enroll in long-term care plans offered under the Public Employees' Long-Term Care Act. The bill would specify that eligibility to enroll in these plans is subject to limitations of federal law. The bill would authorize the board to expand eligibility for these plans to all classes of persons who meet relevant requirements under the act and federal law. The bill would prescribe certain definitions for these purposes.

AB 381 (Chau D) Estates and trusts: undue influence and elder abuse.

Current Text: Amended: 5/24/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/14/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/24/2013

Status: 6/5/2013-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

Location: 6/5/2013-S. THIRD READING

Calendar: 6/6/2013 #47 SENATE ASSEMBLY BILLS-THIRD READING FILE

Summary: Existing law provides that a person found liable for taking, concealing, or disposing of property belonging to the estate of a decedent, conservatee, minor, or trust through the use of undue influence in bad faith, or through the commission of elder or dependent adult financial abuse, is liable for twice the value of the property. Existing law provides that this remedy is additional to any other remedy available at law. This bill would provide that a person may, in the court's discretion, be liable for reasonable attorney's fees and costs in these actions, except as specified. The bill would specifically apply these provisions to property belonging to an elder or a dependent adult. The bill would make technical changes with regard to the nonexclusive character of the remedy provided. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 382 (Mullin D) State and local government: alternative investments: public access.

Current Text: Amended: 4/30/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/14/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/30/2013

Status: 6/5/2013-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Location: 5/29/2013-S. G. & F.

Summary: Existing law, the California Public Records Act, requires state agencies and local agencies

to make public records available for inspection, subject to specified criteria, and with specified exceptions. Existing law excludes from disclosure records of public investment funds regarding alternative investments, as defined, unless the information has already been publicly released by the keeper of the information. Existing law defines an alternative investment to mean an investment in a private equity fund, venture fund, hedge fund, or absolute return fund. This bill would further authorize the legislative body of a local agency that invests pension funds to hold a meeting in closed session to consider information related to alternative investments and alternative investment vehicles, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 410 (Jones-Sawyer D) Public employee health benefits: enrollment.

Current Text: Amended: 6/4/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/15/2013 **Last Amend:** 6/4/2013

Status: 6/4/2013-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to

committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on P.E. & R.

Location: 6/4/2013-S. P.E. & R.

Calendar: 6/10/2013 2 p.m. or upon adjournment of session Rose Ann Vuich Hearing Room (2040)

SENATE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT, BEALL, Chair

Summary:

Existing law requires the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) to administer the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA). PEMHCA further grants the board the power to approve health benefit plans and contract with carriers offering health benefit plans. Under PEMHCA, an employee or annuitant may enroll in a health benefit plan approved or maintained by the board either as an individual or for self and family. Existing law defines annuitant for purposes of receiving postretirement health benefits pursuant to PEMHCA and generally requires that a person retire within 120 days of separation from public employment, with specified exceptions. This bill would permit an annuitant who reinstates from retirement under PERS for employment by the state or a contracting agency and who subsequently retires again on or after January 1, 2014, to enroll in a health benefit plan under PEMHCA for which he or she is eligible, as specified, as an annuitant of the employer from which he or she first retired, upon meeting certain conditions. In this regard, the bill would require that the person's subsequent retirement occur within 120 days after separation of employment, as specified, and that the person not be eligible for a postretirement health benefit contribution from the employer from which he or she subsequently retires or that the postretirement health benefit contribution payable by that employer be less than the contribution payable by that employer during his or her prior retirement.

AB 411 (Pan D) Medi-Cal: performance measures.

Current Text: Amended: 4/18/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/15/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/18/2013

Status: 5/29/2013-Referred to Com. on HEALTH.

Location: 5/29/2013-S. HEALTH

Calendar: 6/12/2013 1:30 p.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203) SENATE HEALTH, HERNANDEZ,

Chair

Summary: Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid Program provisions. Under existing law, one of the methods by which Medi-Cal services are provided is pursuant to contracts with managed care plans. This bill would require all Medi-Cal managed care plans to analyze their Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) measures, or their External Accountability Set (EAS) performance measure equivalent, by geographic region, primary language, race, ethnicity, and, to the extent data is available, by sexual orientation and gender identity, and to implement strategies to reduce identified disparities between members from different regions, with different primary languages, and of different races, ethnicities, sexual orientations, and gender identities. The bill would also require that these analyses be reported to the State Department of Health Care Services annually and be made available to the public via the department's Internet Web site. This bill would further require all Medi-Cal managed care plans to link individual level data collected as a part of analyzing their HEDIS measures, or their EAS performance measure equivalent, to personal identifiers and to submit that data to the department annually. The department would be required to make the individual level data available for research purposes, as specified.

AB 471 (Atkins D) Medi-Cal: Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/19/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/19/2013

Status: 5/23/2013-Referred to Com. on HEALTH.

Location: 5/23/2013-S. HEALTH

Summary: Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State

Department of Health Care Services, under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid Program provisions. Existing federal law establishes the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), which provides specified services for older individuals so that they may continue living in the community. Federal law authorizes states to implement the PACE program as a Medicaid state option. This bill would delete the provision that limits the number of contracts with PACE organizations to 15. This bill contains other existing laws.

AB 477 (Chau D) Elder and dependent adult abuse: mandated reporting.

Current Text: Amended: 5/6/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/19/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/6/2013

Status: 5/30/2013-Re-referred to Coms. on HUMAN S. and JUD.

Location: 5/30/2013-S. HUM. S.

Calendar: 6/11/2013 1:30 p.m. - Room 3191 SENATE HUMAN SERVICES, YEE, Chair

Summary: Existing law, the Financial Elder Abuse Reporting Act of 2005, establishes procedures for the reporting of suspected financial abuse of an elder or dependent adult, as defined. These procedures require mandated reporters of suspected financial abuse of an elder or dependent adult, as defined, to report known or suspected instances of financial abuse of an elder or dependent adult, as specified. Existing law makes a violation of the reporting requirements subject to a civil penalty. This bill would include notaries public in the definition of mandated reporters of suspected financial abuse of an elder or dependent adult and would require a notary public, except as provided, to report known or suspected instances of financial abuse of an elder or dependent adult if the notary public has observed or has knowledge of suspected financial abuse in connection with providing notary services.

AB 478 (Gomez D) State employees: memorandum of understanding.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/19/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/19/2013

Status: 6/3/2013-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 6/3/2013-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law provides that a provision of a memorandum of understanding reached between the state employer and a recognized employee organization representing state civil service employees that requires the expenditure of funds does not become effective unless approved by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act. This bill would approve provisions of a memorandum of understanding entered into between the state employer and State Bargaining Unit 19, Health and Social Services/Professional, that require the expenditure of funds, and would provide that these provisions will become effective even if these provisions are approved by the Legislature in legislation other than the annual Budget Act. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 485 (Gomez D) State employees: memorandum of understanding.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/19/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/19/2013

Status: 6/3/2013-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 6/3/2013-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law provides that a provision of a memorandum of understanding reached between the state employer and a recognized employee organization representing state civil service employees that requires the expenditure of funds does not become effective unless approved by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act. This bill would approve provisions of a memorandum of understanding entered into between the state employer and State Bargaining Unit 16, Physicians, Dentists, and Podiatrists that require the expenditure of funds, and would provide that these provisions will become effective even if these provisions are approved by the Legislature in legislation other than the annual Budget Act. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 487 (Linder R) Vehicles: confidential home address.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/19/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/19/2013

Status: 5/3/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was TRANS. on 3/14/2013)

Location: 5/3/2013-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law makes confidential the home addresses of specified governmental officers and employees and certain other persons that appear in the Department of Motor Vehicles records, if the officer, employee, or other person requests that his or her address be kept confidential, with certain exemptions for information available to specified governmental agencies. This bill would require a person who requests the confidentiality of his or her home address to provide the department with a current employment address for purposes of processing the service and collection of a traffic, parking, or toll road violation. The bill would require that the applicable statutory time periods for

processing the service and collection of traffic, parking, or toll road violations be tolled until the department provides the law enforcement agency, governmental agency, or issuing agency with the person's current employment address. The bill would also require a person who has requested the confidentiality of his or her home address to notify the department of any change in his or her employment address within 10 days. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws

AB 518 (Yamada D) Community-based adult services: adult day health care centers.

Current Text: Amended: 5/30/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/20/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/30/2013

Status: 5/30/2013-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to

committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on HEALTH.

Location: 5/30/2013-**S**. HEALTH

Calendar: 6/12/2013 1:30 p.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203) SENATE HEALTH, HERNANDEZ,

Chair

Summary:

Existing law, the California Adult Day Health Care Act, provides for the licensure and regulation of adult day health care centers, with administrative responsibility shared between the State Department of Public Health, the State Department of Health Care Services, and the California Department of Aging pursuant to an interagency agreement. Existing law provides that a negligent, repeated, or willful violation of a provision of the California Adult Day Health Care Act is a misdemeanor.

This bill would require an adult day health care center licensed pursuant to the act to comply with specified staffing requirements, maintain policies and procedures for providing supportive health care services to participants, and conduct and document training, as prescribed.

This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 520 (Chesbro D) Alcoholic beverages: licenses.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/20/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/20/2013

Status: 5/10/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was G.O. on 3/4/2013)

Location: 5/10/2013-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law authorizes a special beer and wine license for hospitals, convalescent homes, and rest homes that permits the sale or service of beer and wine purchased from a licensed winegrower or beer and wine wholesaler only to patients or residents of those facilities. Existing law provides that a rest home includes an apartment building, whether licensed or unlicensed, that rents exclusively to persons age 62 and older and provides one to 3 meals daily for tenants. This bill would replace the term "rest homes" with "senior care facilities" for purposes of these provisions.

AB 553 (Medina D) Reverse mortgages: notifications.

Current Text: Amended: 4/22/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/20/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/22/2013

Status: 5/10/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was B. & F. on 4/23/2013)

Location: 5/10/2013-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing state and federal law regulate the activities of financial institutions. Existing state law regulates reverse mortgage loans and requires a lender to refer a prospective borrower to a housing counseling agency, as specified, and prohibits a lender from accepting a full and complete application for a reverse mortgage loan or assessing any fees without receiving certification, as specified, that the borrower has received loan counseling. Existing law prohibits a lender from taking a reverse mortgage application before having provided an applicant a specified disclosure notice and written checklist. This bill would prohibit a lender from taking a reverse mortgage application or assessing any fees until seven days from the date of loan counseling, as specified. The bill would make specified changes to the disclosure notice. The bill would delete the requirement that the lender provide a written checklist and would, instead, prohibit a lender from taking a reverse mortgage application unless the applicant has received from the lender a specified reverse mortgage worksheet guide. The bill would require that the worksheet contain certain issues that the borrower is advised to consider and discuss with the counselor. The bill would require the counselor and the prospective borrower to sign the worksheet, as specified.

AB 616 (Bocanegra D) Local public employee organizations: dispute: factfinding panel.

Current Text: Amended: 4/25/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/20/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/25/2013

Status: 5/28/2013-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 5/28/2013-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law requires the governing body of a local public agency, or those boards, commissions, administrative officers, or other representatives as may be properly designated by law or by a governing body, to meet and confer in good faith regarding wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment with representatives of recognized employee organizations. Existing law authorizes an employee organization to request that the parties' differences be submitted to a factfinding panel not sooner that 30 days or more than 45 days following the appointment or selection of a mediator pursuant to the parties' agreement to mediate or a mediation process required by a public agency's local rules. Existing law authorizes an employee organization, if the dispute was not submitted to a mediation, to request that the parties' differences be submitted to a factfinding panel not later than 30 days following the date that either party provided the other with a written notice of a declaration of impasse. This bill would instead authorize an employee organization, if the dispute was not submitted to a mediation, to request in writing that the public agency submit the parties' differences to a factfinding panel not later than 60 days following the date that either party provided the other with a written notice of a declaration of impasse. The bill would provide that if either party disputes that a genuine impasse, as defined, has been reached, the issue of whether an impasse exists may be submitted to the Public Employment Relations Board for resolution before the dispute is submitted to a factfinding panel, as specified. The bill would also authorize each party to select a person to serve as its member of the factfinding panel.

AB 695 (Mansoor R) Public employees' health benefits.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/21/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/21/2013

Status: 5/10/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/21/2013)

Location: 5/10/2013-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: The Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA), which is administered by the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), authorizes the board to contract for health benefit plans for employees and annuitants, as defined. PEMHCA requires the state and each employee or annuitant to contribute a portion of the cost of providing the benefit coverage afforded under the approved health benefit plan in which the employee or annuitant is enrolled. Contributions and premiums paid under PEMHCA are deposited in the Public Employees' Health Care Fund and the Public Employees' Contingency Reserve Fund, which are continuously appropriated funds. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to a provision of the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act.

AB 696 (Mansoor R) Public employment: pensions.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/21/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/21/2013

Status: 5/10/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/21/2013)

Location: 5/10/2013-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: The California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA), on and after January 1, 2013, requires a public retirement system, as defined, to modify its plan or plans to comply with the act and, among other provisions, establishes new retirement formulas that may not be exceeded by a public employer offering a defined benefit pension plan, setting the maximum benefit allowable for employees first hired on or after January 1, 2013, as a formula commonly known as 2.5% at age 67 for nonsafety members, one of 3 formulas for safety members, 2% at age 57, 2.5% at age 57, or 2.7% at age 57, and 1.25% at age 67 for new state miscellaneous or industrial members who elect to be in Tier 2. Under PEPRA, the Judges' Retirement System I and the Judges' Retirement System II are not required to adopt the defined benefit formula contained in certain other provisions. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to this provision.

AB 753 (Lowenthal D) Cognitively impaired adults: caregiver resource centers.

Current Text: Amended: 4/18/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/21/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/18/2013

Status: 5/29/2013-Referred to Com. on HEALTH.

Location: 5/29/2013-S. HEALTH

Summary: Under existing law, the Director of Health Care Services and the Statewide Resources Consultant administer a program to provide various services to brain-impaired adults and their families and caregivers. Existing law requires the director to contract with a nonprofit community agency meeting prescribed criteria to act as the Statewide Resources Consultant, and prescribes the duties of the consultant. Existing law also requires the director to contract with nonprofit community resource agencies to establish regionally based resource centers to ensure the existence of an array of appropriate programs and services for brain-impaired adults. This bill would repeal and recast those provisions. This bill would require the director to, among other things, maintain or enter into contracts directly with caregiver resource centers (CRCs) to provide direct services to caregivers of cognitively impaired adults, as defined, throughout the state. These services would include, but not be limited to,

specialized information, family consultation, respite care, short-term counseling, and support groups. The bill would require the CRCs to submit progress reports on their activities, as specified. The bill would authorize the director to enter into exclusive or nonexclusive contracts on a bid or negotiated basis and amend existing contracts to provide or arrange for services provided under this chapter. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 776 (Yamada D) Medi-Cal.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/21/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/21/2013

Status: 6/5/2013-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: to

consent calendar. (Ayes 9. Noes 0.) (June 5). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Location: 6/5/2013-S. APPR.

Summary: Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid Program provisions. This bill would additionally define the term "stakeholder" to include area agencies on aging and independent living centers. The bill would also make related conforming changes. This bill contains other existing laws.

AB 785 (Weber D) Public Employees' Retirement System: Board of Administration: direct mailing

assistance.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/21/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/21/2013

Status: 5/3/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was P.E., R. & S.S. on

3/4/2013)

Location: 5/3/2013-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law establishes the Public Employees' Retirement System, which is governed by its Board of Administration. Existing law establishes the powers and duties of the board and generally requires that the board and its officers and employees discharge their duties with respect to the system solely in the interest of the participant and beneficiaries. Existing law creates the Public Employees' Retirement Fund, a trust fund that is continuously appropriated solely for the benefit of the members, annuitants, and their survivors and beneficiaries. This bill would authorize an organization that provides employee representation or membership services to annuitants of the system to submit a request to the board for assistance in performing direct mailing, subject to specified requirements. The bill would require the board, upon receiving a request, to provide a direct mailing to the annuitants of the system who are members of the organization or eligible to become members of the organization. The bill would require the organization to provide the board with copies of all materials that will be included in the direct mailing. The bill would require the organization requesting the direct mailing to pay all reasonable expenses of the mailing. By authorizing continuously appropriated funds to be used for a new purpose, this bill would make an appropriation. The bill would also make a statement of legislative findings and declarations.

AB 804 (Lowenthal D) Medi-Cal: pharmacy providers: invoices.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/21/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/21/2013

Status: 5/15/2013-Referred to Com. on HEALTH.

Location: 5/15/2013-S. HEALTH

Summary: Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid Program provisions. Existing law requires reimbursement to Medi-Cal pharmacy providers for drugs, as prescribed, and authorizes the department to establish a new reimbursement methodology based on average acquisition cost, as defined. Under existing law, Medi-Cal pharmacy providers are required to submit drug price information, including invoice prices, to the department or a vendor designated by the department for the purposes of establishing the average acquisition cost. Under existing law, drug pricing information is confidential and exempt from public disclosure, as specified. This bill would provide that pharmacy invoice information is confidential and exempt from public disclosure, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 855 (Brown D) State employees: absence without leave: reinstatement.

Current Text: Amended: 4/1/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/21/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/1/2013

Status: 5/29/2013-Referred to Com. on P.E. & R.

Location: 5/29/2013-S. P.E. & R.

Calendar: 6/10/2013 2 p.m. or upon adjournment of session Rose Ann Vuich Hearing Room (2040)

SENATE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT, BEALL, Chair

Summary: The State Civil Service Act provides that absence without leave for 5 consecutive working days is an automatic resignation from state service, as of the last date on which the employee worked. The act provides a procedure for a permanent or probationary state employee to seek reinstatement and for the Department of Human Resources to grant reinstatement. Reinstatement may be granted if (1) the employee makes a satisfactory explanation to the department as to the cause of his or her absence and his or her failure to obtain leave, and (2) the department finds that the employee is ready, able, and willing to resume the discharge of the duties of his or her position or has obtained consent for a leave of absence. This bill would provide that an employee may demonstrate that he or she is ready, able, and willing to resume the discharge of the duties of his or her position by submitting written verification from a licensed health care provider that shows the employee is released to return to work. The bill would require the department to grant reinstatement if the hiring authority invokes these provisions before the employee is absent without leave for 5 consecutive work days.

AB 872 (Dickinson D) Public employees: rights.

Current Text: Amended: 4/8/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/8/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

on 5/8/2013)

Location: 5/24/2013-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law, the Dills Act, includes various provisions governing state employer-employee relations. In addition, the existing Bill of Rights for State Excluded Employees prescribes various rights and terms and conditions of employment for excluded employees, defined as certain supervisory, managerial, and confidential state employees. This bill would enact the Safety Accountability Fairness and Efficiency Act for Public Employees (the S.A.F.E. Act for Public Employees) that would apply to state employees. This bill would, among other things, require each employer to honor the memorandum of understanding under which each employee is covered. The bill would prohibit the standardization of work required within a specified period of time. This bill would also require the formation of peer review committees for professional staff to provide input regarding workplace operations, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 900 (Alejo D) Medi-Cal: reimbursement: distinct part nursing facilities.

Current Text: Amended: 5/24/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/24/2013

Status: 5/29/2013-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 5/29/2013-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid Program provisions. Existing law requires, except as otherwise provided, Medi-Cal provider payments to be reduced by 1% or 5%, and provider payments for specified non-Medi-Cal programs to be reduced by 1%, for dates of service on and after March 1, 2009, and until June 1, 2011. Existing law requires, except as otherwise provided, Medi-Cal provider payments and payments for specified non-Medi-Cal programs to be reduced by 10% for dates of service on and after June 1, 2011. This bill would instead require that this payment reduction not apply to skilled nursing facilities that are a distinct part of a general acute care hospital, for dates of service on or after July 1, 2013. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 906 (Pan D) Personal services contracts: independent contractors.

Current Text: Amended: 5/24/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/24/2013

Status: 5/29/2013-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 5/29/2013-S. RLS.

Summary: The State Civil Service Act authorizes state agencies to use personal services contracts if prescribed conditions are met , including requiring the agency to notify the State Personnel Board of its intention to enter into such a contract and requiring the board to contact all organizations that represent state employees who perform the type of work to be contracted . Existing law also requires the board, at the request of an employee organization that represents state employees, to review the adequacy of a proposed or executed personal services contract, as specified. This bill would limit the term of certain personal services contracts to 2 years . This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 931 (Gaines, Beth R) Public Employees' Retirement System: Board of Administration: health benefits.

Current Text: Amended: 3/21/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 3/21/2013

Status: 5/3/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was P.E., R. & S.S. on

4/1/2013)

Location: 5/3/2013-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law creates the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act, which is administered by the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System, which is granted all powers reasonably necessary to carry its responsibilities granted pursuant to the act. Existing law authorizes the board to contract with carriers for health benefit plans or with entities that provide services relating to the administration of these plans. Existing state and federal income tax laws allow a deduction for contributions to a qualifying medical savings account by a taxpayer who is covered under a high deductible health plan, as defined. Money within this type of account may be used to pay for qualified medical expenses, as defined. This bill would require the board to establish a wellness program for state employees and annuitants that is consistent with the requirements of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The bill would require the program to provide financial incentives for participation. The bill would require the program to include both provisions that require an individual to meet a standard related to a health factor to receive an incentive and provisions that only require participation. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 937 (Wieckowski D) Conservators and guardians: personal rights of conservatees.

Current Text: Amended: 5/8/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/8/2013

Status: 5/29/2013-Referred to Com. on JUD.

Location: 5/29/2013-S. JUD.

Calendar: 6/11/2013 1:30 p.m. - Room 112 SENATE JUDICIARY, EVANS, Chair

Summary: Existing law requires that a guardian or conservator of a person be responsible for the care, custody, control, and education of a ward or conservatee, subject to a court's determination of the extent of those powers, as specified. This bill would provide that the conservator's control of the conservatee shall not extend to personal rights retained by the conservatee, including, but not limited to, the right to receive visitors, telephone calls, and personal mail, unless specifically limited by a court

order.

AB 973 (Quirk-Silva D) Long-term health facilities: culture change.

Current Text: Amended: 4/25/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/25/2013

Status: 5/30/2013-Ordered to inactive file at the request of Assembly Member Atkins.

Location: 5/30/2013-A. INACTIVE FILE

Summary: Existing law provides for the licensure of long-term health care facilities by the State Department of Public Health. Existing law, the Long-Term Care, Health, Safety, and Security Act of 1973, authorizes the department to assess penalties for violation of prescribed requirements and requires the moneys collected as a result of the imposed penalties to be deposited into the State Health Facilities Citation Penalties Account. Existing law provides that moneys derived from civil penalties for violations of federal law shall be deposited into the Federal Health Facilities Citation Penalties Account. Moneys in both accounts are to be used, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for the protection of health or property of residents of long-term health care facilities, as specified. Existing law also authorizes the department to use up to \$130,000 of moneys from the Federal Health Facilities Citation Penalties Account for the improvement of quality of care and quality of life for facility residents. This bill would require moneys from the State Health Facilities Citation Penalties Account to be continuously appropriated and used, as specified. By creating a continuously appropriated fund, the bill would make an appropriation. The bill would authorize the department to use up to \$150,000 of moneys each fiscal year from the State Health Facilities Citation Penalties Account for the general promotion of culture change and person-centered care in the state's long-term care facilities, as specified. The bill would require the department to use up to \$250,000 each fiscal year from the Federal Health Facilities Citation Penalties Account for specific projects as directed by the federal government for improvement of quality of life for long-term care residents, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 989 (Mullin D) State teachers' retirement: account statements.

Current Text: Amended: 5/14/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/14/2013

Status: 5/14/2013-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to

committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on P.E. & R.

Location: 5/14/2013-S. P.E. & R.

Calendar: 6/10/2013 2 p.m. or upon adjournment of session Rose Ann Vuich Hearing Room (2040)

SENATE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT, BEALL, Chair

Summary: The State Teachers' Retirement Law creates the State Teachers' Retirement System (STRS) for the purpose of providing retirement benefits to teachers and other people employed in connection with the schools. STRS is administrated by the Teachers' Retirement Board, which is required to issue each active and inactive member, no less frequently than annually, as specified, a statement of the member's individual Defined Benefit Program and Defined Benefit Supplement Program accounts, if the system has the member's mailing address. Existing law permits the board to make the account statement available by secured access through the system's Web site. Existing law creates the Cash Balance Benefit Program, also referred to as the cash balance plan, administrated by the Teachers' Retirement Board, to provide a retirement plan for teachers working less than half time. Existing law requires the board, in connection with the cash balance plan, to provide each participant a statement regarding the balance of his or her account with the plan at the close of the year, as specified. This bill would permit the board to make an electronic delivery of the account statements described above, subject to specified requirements . The bill would permit the board, by resolution, to make the electronic delivery of the account statements the default method by which active and inactive members and participants receive the information in the statements. The bill would require the board, if it makes this resolution, to notify each member that he or she has the right to request that a copy of the individual account statement be mailed and to provide the statement by mail if requested, as specified. The bill would provide that, until this resolution is made, the delivery by mail is the default delivery method. The bill would apply similar authorizations and requirements regarding electronic delivery of communications and other actions to provisions regarding refund of retirement contributions, redeposit of retirement contributions, and the purchase of service credit. If specified provisions mandate that actions be taken within a certain number of days of a mailing date and electronic delivery has been substituted for mail, the bill would require that date of electronic delivery be substituted for mailing date for purposes of measuring when those actions are to be taken.

AB 1062 (Jones-Sawyer D) Human resources.

Current Text: Amended: 4/15/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/15/2013

Status: 5/23/2013-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 5/23/2013-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law provides that the Department of Human Resources succeeds to and is vested with all of the powers and duties exercised and performed by the Department of Personnel Administration and powers, duties, and authorities necessary to operate the state civil service system in accordance with Article VII of the California Constitution, the Government Code, the merit principle, and applicable rules duly adopted by the State Personnel Board. This bill would transfer certain functions and duties of the board to the department. The bill would also designate the department to share certain functions and duties with the board. The bill would make other related changes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 1144 (Hall D) Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act: City of Carson.

Current Text: Amended: 4/29/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/29/2013

Status: 5/29/2013-Referred to Com. on P.E. & R.

Location: 5/29/2013-S. P.E. & R.

Calendar: 6/10/2013 2 p.m. or upon adjournment of session Rose Ann Vuich Hearing Room (2040)

SENATE PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT, BEALL, Chair

Summary: The Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA) authorizes the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System to contract with carriers for health benefit plans for employees and annuitants, as defined. Existing law requires an agency contracting for coverage under PEMHCA and each employee or annuitant to contribute a portion of the cost of providing the benefit coverage afforded under the health benefit plan in which the employee or annuitant may be enrolled and prescribes various schedules for employer payments and requirements in relation to those payments. This bill would require the employer contribution for postretirement health benefit coverage for an employee of the City of Carson to be based on specified percentages associated with the employee's credited years of service, which would reach 100% when the employee attains 10 years of credited service. The bill would define credited service as service performed with the City of Carson. The bill would require that the employer contribution with respect to each employee be mutually agreed upon through collective bargaining, as specified. The bill would require that the employer provide any information requested by the board that the board deems necessary to implement the section.

AB 1175 (Bocanegra D) Public employee benefits: postemployment health care.

Current Text: Amended: 3/21/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 3/21/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 5/24/2013-S. RLS.

Summary: The Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA), which is administered by the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System, establishes provisions governing postemployment health care benefits for members and their families that vest upon meeting certain requirements. Existing law also establishes various postemployment health care benefits under other benefit systems, including those offered by counties, districts, and cities. This bill would, if the governing board of the designated local authority for the former redevelopment agency within the County of Los Angeles acts to dissolve that authority, require the governing board to identify the entity responsible for assuming the enforceable obligation of the authority for the amount necessary to fully compensate for the postretirement health benefit costs of specified personnel. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 1180 (Pan D) Health care coverage: federally eligible defined individuals: conversion or continuation

of coverage.

Current Text: Amended: 5/2/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/2/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 5/24/2013-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law, the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975, provides for the licensure and regulation of health care service plans by the Department of Managed Health Care and makes a willful violation of the act a crime. Existing law also provides for the regulation of health insurers by the Insurance Commissioner. Existing law requires a health care service plan or a health insurer offering individual plan contracts or individual insurance policies to fairly and affirmatively offer, market, and sell certain individual contracts and policies to all federally eligible defined individuals, as defined, in each service area in which the plan or insurer provides or arranges for the provision of health care services. Existing law prohibits the premium for those policies and contracts from exceeding the premium paid by a subscriber of the California Major Risk Medical Insurance Program who is of the same age and resides in the same geographic region as the federally eligible defined individual, as specified. This bill would make these provisions of law applicable only to individual grandfathered health plans, as defined, previously issued to federally eligible defined individuals, unless and until specified provisions of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA) are amended or repealed, as specified. The bill would also require a health care service plan or an insurer, at least 60 days prior to the plan or policy renewal date, to issue prescribed notifications to a person who is enrolled in an individual he alth benefit plan or individual health insurance policy that is not a grandfathered health plan. Because a willful violation of this requirement by a health care service plan would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 1217 (Lowenthal D) Home Care Services Consumer Protection Act of 2013.

Current Text: Amended: 5/7/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/7/2013

Status: 6/3/2013-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

Location: 6/3/2013-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law provides for the In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program, a countyadministered program under which qualified aged, blind, and disabled persons receive services enabling them to remain in their own homes. The IHSS program includes various eligibility requirements for individuals who provide services to recipients under the program. Under existing law, a private provider of in-home care services is not subject to the requirements of the IHSS program. This bill would enact the Home Care Services Consumer Protection Act of 2013, which would provide, on and after July 1, 2014, for the licensure and regulation of home care organizations, as defined, by the State Department of Social Services, and the certification of home care aides. The bill would exclude specified entities from the definition of a home care organization. The bill would impose various licensure requirements on a home care organization. The bill would also impose a civil penalty on an individual or entity that operates a home care organization without a license, except as specified. The bill would require a home care organization to provide a client with specified information before arranging for the provision of home care services, as defined, to that client, including, but not limited to, the types and hours of available home care services, and the extent to which payment may be expected from specified sources. In addition, this bill would require a home care organization, among other things, to distribute to the client its advance directive policy and provide a written notice to the client of certain rights. The bill would also prohibit a home care organization from hiring an individual as a home care aide unless that individual meets certain requirements, including, but not

limited to, demonstrating that he or she has specified language skills and providing proof of certification as a home care aide, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 1234 (Levine D) Insurance: long term care insurance.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013

Status: 5/10/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was INS. on 3/11/2013)

Location: 5/10/2013-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law provides for the regulation of insurers by the Department of Insurance, including insurers issuing policies of long-term care insurance. Existing law regulates the marketing or solicitation of long-term care insurance policies and, in that regard, requires specified disclosures to prospective applicants or enrollees. Existing law requires an insurer of long-term care insurance to clearly post on its Internet Web site and provide written notice at the time of solicitation that a specimen individual policy form or group master policy and certificate form for each policy form offered by the insurer is available upon request and to provide that form within 15 calendar days upon request. This bill would additionally require an insurer to clearly post on its Internet Web site, and include on its policy application, information about an Internet Web site provided by the Department of Health Care Services, known as www.rureadyca.org.

AB 1377 (Committee on Public Employees, Retirement and Soci) Committee on Public Employees,

Retirement and Social Security: state employees: memorandum of understanding.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/26/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/26/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 12. Noes 1.) . Read second time. Ordered to third

reading

Location: 5/24/2013-A. THIRD READING

Calendar: 6/6/2013 #14 ASSEMBLY ASSEMBLY THIRD READING FILE

Summary: Existing law provides that a provision of a memorandum of understanding reached between the state employer and a recognized employee organization representing state civil service employees that requires the expenditure of funds does not become effective unless approved by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act. This bill would approve provisions of a memorandum of understanding entered into between the state employer and an unspecified bargaining unit that require the expenditure of funds, and would provide that these provisions will become effective even if these provisions are approved by the Legislature in legislation other than the annual Budget Act. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 1378 (Committee on Public Employees, Retirement and Soci) Committee on Public Employees,

Retirement and Social Security: state employees: memorandum of understanding.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/26/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/26/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 12. Noes 1.) . Read second time. Ordered to third

reading.

Location: 5/24/2013-A. THIRD READING

Calendar: 6/6/2013 #15 ASSEMBLY ASSEMBLY THIRD READING FILE

Summary: Existing law provides that a provision of a memorandum of understanding reached between the state employer and a recognized employee organization representing state civil service employees that requires the expenditure of funds does not become effective unless approved by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act. This bill would approve provisions of a memorandum of understanding entered into between the state employer and an unspecified bargaining unit that require the expenditure of funds, and would provide that these provisions will become effective even if these provisions are approved by the Legislature in legislation other than the annual Budget Act. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 1380 (Committee on Public Employees, Retirement and Soci) County employees' retirement.

Current Text: Amended: 6/4/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/26/2013 **Last Amend:** 6/4/2013

Status: 6/4/2013-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to

committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on P.E. $\&\ R.$

Location: 6/4/2013-S. P.E. & R.

Summary:

The California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA) requires a public retirement system, as defined, to modify its pension plan or plans to comply with the act and, among other provisions, generally prohibits a public employer that offers a defined benefit plan from offering new employees defined benefit retirement formulas other than those established by the act, which, in

comparison to existing formulas, generally provide reduced benefits and later ages for retirement. PEPRA prohibits the purchase of nonqualified service credit, as defined, unless the application to purchase the credit is received by the retirement system prior to January 1, 2013, and subsequently approved. PEPRA prohibits an employer from paying a new member's contribution for the normal cost of benefits in a defined plan and prohibits an enhancement of a public employee's retirement benefit adopted on or after January 1, 2013, from applying to service previously performed.

This bill would amend various provisions of CERL to coordinate and subordinate that law with PEPRA. Generally, the bill would specify that certain provisions of CERL do not apply to members who are currently subject to PEPRA by virtue of being first employed on or after January 1, 2013. The bill would provide that provisions allowing a new formula for calculation of retirement benefits to be applied to service already performed are inoperative as of January 1, 2013, and would prohibit the purchase of nonqualified service credit, as specified.

This bill contains other existing laws.

SB 13 (Beall D) Public employees' retirement benefits.

Current Text: Amended: 2/6/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 12/3/2012 **Last Amend:** 2/6/2013

Status: 5/16/2013-Referred to Com. on P.E., R. & S.S.

Location: 5/16/2013-A. P.E.,R. & S.S.

Calendar: 6/26/2013 Anticipated Hearing ASSEMBLY P.E.,R. & S.S., Not in daily file.

Summary: The Public Employees' Retirement Law (PERL) establishes the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) and the Teachers' Retirement Law establishes the State Teachers' Retirement System for the purpose of providing pension benefits to specified public employees. Existing law also establishes the Judges' Retirement System II which provides pension benefits to elected judges and the Legislators' Retirement System which provides pension benefits to elective officers of the state other than judges and to legislative statutory officers. The County Employees Retirement Law of 1937 authorizes counties to establish retirement systems pursuant to its provisions in order to provide pension benefits to county, city, and district employees. This bill would correct an erroneous cross-reference in the above provision and would instead specify that the Judges' Retirement System I and the Judges' Retirement System II are not required to adopt the defined benefit formula contained in other provisions for nonsafety and safety members. The bill would clarify the application of PEPRA to employees who were employed prior to January 1, 2013, who have service credit in a different retirement system. The bill would authorize a public retirement system to adopt regulations and resolutions in order to modify its retirement plan or plans to conform with PEPRA. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 54 (Hancock D) Retirement: county employees.

Current Text: Amended: 2/13/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 12/21/2012 **Last Amend:** 2/13/2013

Status: 4/10/2013-Hearing postponed by committee. In P.E., R. & S.S.

Location: 2/28/2013-A. P.E.,R. & S.S.

Summary: The California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 requires each county retirement system created pursuant to the County Employees Retirement Law of 1937 to use a retirement formula commonly known as 2.5% at 67 years of age for nonsafety members first hired on or after January 1, 2013, except that a lower retirement formula may be used as specified. The County Employees Retirement Law of 1937 authorizes the Alameda County Board of Supervisors to provide service retirement allowances for general members based on one of 2 formulas commonly known as the 2% at 57 years of age formula or the 1.64% at 57 years of age formula. This bill would authorize the Alameda County Board of Supervisors to adopt a resolution that would provide service retirement allowances based on a formula commonly known as the 2% at 65 years of age formula for general members hired after approval of the resolution, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.

SB 60 (Wright D) Crime victims: human trafficking.

Current Text: Amended: 5/28/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/7/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/28/2013

Status: 5/30/2013-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

Location: 5/30/2013-A. DESK

Summary:

Existing law provides for the compensation of victims and derivative victims of specified types of crimes by the California Victim Compensation and Government Claims Board from the Restitution Fund, a continuously appropriated fund, for specified losses suffered as a result of those crimes. Existing law sets forth eligibility requirements and specified limits on the amount of compensation the board may award.

This bill would include victims of human trafficking within the definition of crimes that are eligible for

compensation under these provisions. The bill would delete inoperative provisions that authorized reimbursement of child care expenses from the Restitution Fund until January 1, 2010. This bill contains other existing laws.

SB 65 (Leno D) 2013-14 Budget.

Current Text: Amended: 5/28/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/10/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/28/2013

Status: 5/28/2013-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-

referred to Com. on B. & F.R.

Location: 5/28/2013-S. BUDGET & F.R.

Summary:

This bill would make appropriations for support of state government for the 2013-14 fiscal year.

This bill contains other related provisions.

SB 126 (Steinberg D) Health care coverage: pervasive developmental disorder or autism.

Current Text: Introduced: 1/22/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/22/2013

Status: 5/28/2013-Referred to Com. on HEALTH.

Location: 5/28/2013-A. HEALTH

Calendar: 6/11/2013 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 4202 ASSEMBLY HEALTH, PAN, Chair

Summary: Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of health care service plans by the Department of Managed Health Care. Existing law provides for the regulation of health insurers by the Department of Insurance. Existing law requires health care service plan contracts and health insurance policies to provide benefits for specified conditions, including coverage for behavioral health treatment, as defined, for pervasive developmental disorder or autism, except as specified. A willful violation of these provisions with respect to health care service plans is a crime. These provisions are inoperative on July 1, 2014, and are repealed on January 1, 2015. This bill would extend the operation of these provisions until July 1, 2019, and would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2020. By extending the operation of provisions establishing crimes, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 165 (Walters R) Public Employees' Retirement System: membership: exclusions.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/1/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/1/2013

Status: 5/10/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was RLS. on 2/14/2013)

Location: 5/10/2013-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: The Public Employees' Retirement Law (PERL) creates the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), which provides a defined benefit to its members based on age at retirement, service credit, and final compensation. Existing law defines "member" for purposes of PERL and excludes certain people from membership in PERS. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

SB 200 (Anderson R) Medi-Cal: rural hospitals.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/7/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/7/2013

Status: 5/10/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was RLS. on 2/21/2013)

Location: 5/10/2013-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law establishes the Medi-Cal program, administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which basic health care services are provided to qualified low-income persons. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid provisions. Existing law requires the State Department of Health Care Services to consider the special needs of rural hospitals that are financially distressed and in danger of closure, and authorizes the department to provide technical and other assistance relating to Medi-Cal to these hospitals, as specified. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that provision.

SB 214 (Calderon D) Long-term care: financing.

Current Text: Amended: 5/28/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/11/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/28/2013

Status: 5/31/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(8). (Last location was RLS. on 5/28/2013)

Location: 5/31/2013-S. 2 YEAR

Summary:

Existing law regulates the business of life settlement contracts, and defines a life settlement contract

as, among other things, a written agreement solicited, negotiated, or entered into in this state between a life settlement provider and an owner of a life insurance policy, establishing the terms under which compensation or any thing of value will be paid, which compensation or thing of value is less than the expected death benefit of the insurance policy or certificate, in return for the owner's assignment, transfer, sale, devise, or bequest of the death benefit or any portion of an insurance policy or certificate of insurance for compensation. Existing law requires, however, that the minimum value for a life settlement contract shall be greater than a cash surrender value or accelerated death benefit available at the time of an application for a life settlement contract.

This bill would authorize the owner of a life insurance policy, with a face value of more than \$10,000, to enter into a life settlement contract where the proceeds of the contract would be placed in a state or federally insured account in an irrevocable trust to be paid directly to a health care provider for qualified long-term care services, as defined, for the recipient of those services. The bill would also require, in addition to the currently applicable requirements, that under the life settlement contract the lesser of 5% of the face value of the life insurance policy or \$5,000 be reserved as a death benefit, the balance of proceeds of the life settlement contract that remain at the death of the insured be paid to the policy owner's estate or a named beneficiary, and the total amount payable on behalf of the recipient pursuant to the life settlement contract be stated in the contract.

This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 215 (Beall D) Public employees' retirement.

Current Text: Amended: 5/30/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/11/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/30/2013

Status: 5/30/2013-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-

referred to Com. on P.E.,R. & S.S. **Location:** 5/30/2013-A. P.E.,R. & S.S.

Calendar: 6/26/2013 Anticipated Hearing ASSEMBLY P.E., R. & S.S., Not in daily file.

Summary:

(1) Existing law provides that the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) is governed by its board of administration (board) and prescribes the composition of the board. Existing law requires the retirement fund of PERS to reimburse an employing agency that employs an elected member of the board and that employs a person to replace the member during attendance at meetings of the board, among other times, for the direct and reasonable costs incurred by employing a replacement. This bill would recast these provisions to provide that the employing agency be reimbursed, as specified, without regard to whether it replaces the elected member.

SB 216 (Beall D) Public employment: salary ranges.

Current Text: Amended: 4/29/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/11/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/29/2013

Status: 5/30/2013-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Location: 5/30/2013-A. DESK

Summary: Existing law prescribes the duties of the Department of Human Resources, which include the administration of salaries, hours, and other aspects of the state's personnel system. Existing law requires the Department of Human Resources to establish and adjust salary ranges for each class of position in the state civil service, subject to merit limits and except as specified. Existing law requires the salary range to be based on the principle that like salaries be paid for comparable duties and responsibilities. This bill would require the Department of Human Resources to address salary compaction and parity in determining salaries for supervisory and managerial employees. The bill would also require the department, if it determines that revenues do not allow the department to implement a salary determination to increase any excluded and exempt employee salaries in a given year, to provide to the Legislature certain data on the salary determination.

SB 217 (Beall D) State employees: memorandum of understanding: State Bargaining Unit 9.

Current Text: Amended: 3/18/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/11/2013 **Last Amend:** 3/18/2013

Status: 3/21/2013-Re-referred to Com. on P.E. & R.

Location: 3/21/2013-S. P.E. & R.

Summary: Existing law provides that a provision of a memorandum of understanding between the state employer and a recognized employee organization representing state civil service employees that requires the expenditure of funds does not become effective unless approved by the Legislature in the annual Budget Act. This bill would approve provisions of a memorandum of understanding entered into between the state employer and State Bargaining Unit 9, the Professional Engineers in California Government, that require the expenditure of funds, and would provide that these provisions

will become effective even if these provisions are approved by the Legislature in legislation other than the annual Budget Act. This bill contains other related provisions.

SB 220 (Beall D) California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013: administration.

Current Text: Amended: 4/11/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/11/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/11/2013

Status: 5/20/2013-Referred to Com. on P.E., R. & S.S.

Location: 5/20/2013-A. P.E., R. & S.S.

Calendar: 6/26/2013 Anticipated Hearing ASSEMBLY P.E., R. & S.S., Not in daily file.

Summary: The Public Employees' Retirement Law (PERL) establishes the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) for the purpose of providing pension benefits to specified public employees. Existing law also establishes the Judges' Retirement System and Judges' Retirement System II, which provide pension benefits to judges, as defined, and the Legislators' Retirement System, which provides pension benefits to specified elective officers of the state, other than judges, and to legislative statutory officers. Existing law requires that these systems be administered by the Board of Administration of PERS. Existing law, the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA), on and after January 1, 2013, generally requires a public retirement system, as defined, to modify its plan or plans to comply with the act, as specified. Existing law establishes the Public Employee Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA) for the purpose of providing postemployment health care benefits to specified retirees. This bill would require the Board of Administration of PERS to administer each of the retirement systems described above in conformance with PEPRA as if the provisions of the act were contained in the provisions governing those systems. The bill would provide that if the board determines that there is a conflict between the provisions of PEPRA and respective provisions of those systems, the provisions of PEPRA control. The bill would make various changes in PERL and in PEMHCA to conform with the requirements of PEPRA.

SB 277 (Beall D) State Peace Officers' and Firefighters' Defined Contribution Plan.

Current Text: Amended: 5/13/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/14/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/13/2013

Status: 5/30/2013-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

Location: 5/30/2013-A. DESK

Summary: Existing law establishes the State Peace Officers' and Firefighters' Defined Contribution Plan for state peace officer/firefighter members in State Bargaining Unit 6, the California Correctional Peace Officers Association, and others as specified. Under existing law, the plan applies to state peace officer and firefighter members in State Bargaining Unit 8 who have become subject by a memorandum of understanding. Existing law authorizes the plan to be provided to state peace officers or firefighters who meet stated criteria, if the Department of Human Resources has approved their inclusion for coverage. The moneys in the State Peace Officers' and Firefighters' Defined Contribution Plan Fund are continuously appropriated. Existing law entitles a participant in the plan to a lump-sum distribution of the balance of his or her account, or installment payments if he or she is entitled to \$5,000 or more, upon separation from all service for the employer for any reason other than death, disability, or retirement. This bill would require that contributions to the State Peace Officers' and Firefighters' Defined Contribution Plan cease, prohibit new members from participating in the plan, and would require that the plan be terminated as prescribed. The bill would repeal those provisions extending plan coverage to State Bargaining Unit 8 and certain state peace officers or firefighters. The bill would require all moneys in the State Peace Officers' and Firefighters' Defined Contribution Plan Fund to be distributed, as specified, including requiring that, if not elected otherwise, amounts that become payable from the fund be rolled over under existing federal law to the Supplemental Contributions Program. The bill would provide for rollover contributions to separate rollover contribution accounts in the Supplemental Contributions Program, as specified, and would provide for the distribution of amounts held in the participant's account. The bill would authorize participants to elect investment fund options, as specified, in the Supplemental Contributions Program. The bill would require that certain rollover contributions be invested in the applicable target retirement date fund investment fund option available until the participant elects another investment fund option. The bill would also make various clarifying and technical changes in the Supplemental Contributions Program. By changing the circumstances under which moneys in the State Peace Officers' and Firefighters' Defined Contribution Fund would be distributed, and by providing for an increase in contributions to the Supplemental Contributions Program, this bill would make an appropriation. This bill contains other existing laws.

SB 404 (Jackson D) Fair employment: familial status.

Current Text: Amended: 5/24/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/20/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/24/2013

Status: 5/30/2013-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

Location: 5/30/2013-A. DESK

Summary: Existing law, the California Fair Employment and Housing Act, protects and safeguards the right and opportunity of all persons to seek, obtain, and hold employment without discrimination or abridgment on account of race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical disability, mental disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sex, gender, gender identity, gender expression, age, or sexual orientation. This bill would include "familial status," as defined, as an additional basis upon which the right to seek, obtain, and hold employment cannot be denied.

SB 481 (Huff R) California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/21/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/21/2013

Status: 5/10/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was RLS. on 3/11/2013)

Location: 5/10/2013-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: The California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA), on and after January 1, 2013, generally requires a public retirement system, as defined, to modify its plan or plans to comply with the act, as specified. Among other things, PEPRA prohibits a public employer offering a defined benefit pension plan from exceeding specified retirement formulas for new members and prohibits an enhancement of a public employee's retirement formula or benefit adopted after January 1, 2013, from applying to service performed prior to the operative date of the enhancement. PEPRA prescribes definitions for the purposes of its provisions. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to PEPRA.

SB 496 (Wright D) California Whistleblower Protection Act: administrative procedure.

Current Text: Amended: 4/15/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/21/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/15/2013

Status: 6/5/2013-Hearing postponed by committee.

Location: 5/24/2013-A. JUD.

Calendar: 6/18/2013 9 a.m. - State Capitol, Room 4202 ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY, WIECKOWSKI, Chair Summary: Existing law, the California Whistleblower Protection Act, provides that a person making a protected disclosure, as defined, about an improper governmental activity is to be free of intimidation or threat and that a person who intentionally engages in acts of reprisal, retaliation, coercion, or similar acts against a state employee or an applicant for state employment for having made a protected disclosure is subject to civil liability and criminal penalties. Existing law also provides that civil damages are available to an injured party only if the State Personnel Board has issued, or failed to issue, findings pursuant to specified procedures. Existing law requires the State Personnel Board to initiate a hearing or investigation of a complaint of reprisal or retaliation in violation of the California Whistleblower Protection Act within 10 working days. Existing law also requires the executive officer of the board to complete findings of the hearing or investigation within 60 working days, but if the allegations contained in the complaint of reprisal or retaliation are the same or similar to those contained in another appeal, the executive officer may consolidate the appeals, in which case the time limits do not apply. This bill would instead require a preliminary hearing or investigation to occur within 10 days of submission of a complaint, followed by an evidentiary hearing, as specified. The bill would provide that after an evidentiary hearing, an aggrieved party to the decision may file a petition for writ of mandate for review of the decision, as specified. The bill would further provide that, the complainant is deemed to have exhausted his or her administrative remedies and may file an action for civil damages 70 days after submitting the complaint to the board or sooner if the executive officer issues findings or refers a consolidated appeal to an evidentiary hearing, as specified. The bill would provide that the executive officer's findings of the preliminary hearing or investigation are not binding in a subsequent State Personnel Board evidentiary hearing or in a civil action for damages. The bill would specify that the filing of a civil action by a complainant does not preclude the request for an evidentiary hearing by a supervisor, manager, employee, or appointing power whom the executive office has found to have retaliated against the complainant nor does the request for an evidentiary hearing preclude the complainant's right to file an independent civil action, as specified . The bill would also make other technical changes.

SB 523 (Correa D) Public employment: merit system: waiver.

Current Text: Amended: 4/1/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/21/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/1/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

on 5/23/2013)

Location: 5/24/2013-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: The California Constitution establishes the State Personnel Board and requires the board to, among other things, enforce the civil service statutes, prescribe probationary periods and classifications, adopt rules authorized by statute, and review disciplinary actions. Existing law requires the board to establish and maintain, by regulation, standards on a merit basis for local agencies, as

specified, necessary for proper and efficient administration, and to assure state conformity with applicable federal requirements. Existing law authorizes the board to waive administration of all or part of a local agency merit system under specified conditions. This bill would prohibit, in Orange County, any administrative waiver of merit system standards, as described above, if an audit finds the county to be out of compliance with a merit-based personnel system. This bill contains other related provisions.

SB 539 (Walters R) Retirement benefit formulas: Orange County.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013

Status: 5/10/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was RLS. on 3/11/2013)

Location: 5/10/2013-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: The County Employees Retirement Law of 1937 authorizes counties and districts, as defined, to provide retirement benefits to their employees pursuant to its provisions. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to these provisions. This bill contains other existing laws.

SB 609 (Wolk D) Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman.

Current Text: Amended: 4/11/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/11/2013

Status: 5/16/2013-Referred to Com. on AGING & L.T.C.

Location: 5/16/2013-A. AGING & L.T.C.

Summary: Existing law, as part of the Mello-Granlund Older Californians Act, establishes the Office of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman, under the direction of the State Long-Term Care Ombudsman, in the California Department of Aging. Existing law provides for the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program under which funds are allocated to local ombudsman programs to assist elderly persons in long-term health care facilities and residential care facilities by, among other things, investigating and seeking to resolve complaints against these facilities. Existing law requires the office to solicit and receive funds, gifts, and contributions to support the operations and programs of the office. This bill would create the Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program Improvement Act Account, and require the office to deposit those funds into the account and would, upon appropriation, require those funds to be used for the purpose of supporting the operations and programs of the office. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 612 (Leno D) Residential tenancy: victims of human trafficking and elder or dependent adult abuse.

Current Text: Amended: 4/23/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/23/2013

Status: 5/16/2013-Referred to Com. on JUD.

Location: 5/16/2013-A. JUD.

Calendar: 6/18/2013 9 a.m. - State Capitol, Room 4202 ASSEMBLY JUDICIARY, WIECKOWSKI, Chair Summary: Existing law authorizes a tenant to notify the landlord in writing that he or she or a household member, as defined, was a victim of an act of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, or abuse of an elder or dependent adult and that the tenant intends to terminate the tenancy. Existing law requires that the tenant attach to the notice to terminate either a copy of a temporary restraining order or protective order that protects the tenant or household member from further domestic violence, sexual assault, or abuse of an elder or dependent adult or a police report, as specified. Existing law permits the tenant to quit the premises after notification and limits the tenant's obligation for payment of rent, as specified. Existing law requires the notice to terminate the tenancy to be given within 180 days of the date the order was issued or the report was made, or as specified. This bill would expand these provisions to authorize a tenant to notify the landlord that he or she or a household member is a victim of human trafficking and the tenant intends to terminate the tenancy, as specified. Until January 1, 2016, the bill would include among the supporting documents that a tenant may attach to the notice to terminate a tenancy specified documentation from a health practitioner, a domestic violence counselor, a sexual assault counselor, or a human trafficking caseworker that the tenant is seeking assistance for physical or mental injuries or abuse resulting from an act of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking, or abuse of an elder or dependent adult. The bill would make various conforming changes. This bill contains other related provisions.

SB 619 (Yee D) State employees: training: civics orientation.

Current Text: Amended: 5/6/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/6/2013

Status: 5/24/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

on 5/23/2013)

Location: 5/24/2013-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law requires the Department of Human Resources (CalHR) to devise plans for and cooperate with appointing powers and other supervising officials in the conduct of employee training programs so that the quality of service rendered by persons in the state civil service may be continually improved. This bill would require the State Department of Education, on or before January 1, 2015, to develop and make available online a state employee civics orientation on federal and state government, subject to a determination by the Department of Finance that sufficient private funding has been secured to support those activities. The bill would require, if the orientation is developed as prescribed, an appointing power or other supervising official for an employee hired, promoted, or reclassified after July 1, 2015, to certify annually to CalHR that the employee has completed that orientation.

SB 765 (Block D) Public employees: collective bargaining.

Current Text: Amended: 5/13/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013 **Last Amend:** 5/13/2013

Status: 5/29/2013-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

Location: 5/29/2013-A. DESK

Summary: Existing law permits public school employees to form, join, and participate in the activities of employee organizations of their own choosing for the purpose of representation on all matters of employer-employee relations, as specified. Existing law permits an employee organization to become the exclusive representative of an appropriate unit for purposes of meeting and negotiating, as specified. In each case where the appropriateness of the unit is an issue, existing law requires the Public Employment Relations Board to decide the question on the basis of the community of interest between and among the employees and their established practices including, among other things, the extent to which those employees belong to the same employee organization and the effect of the size of the unit on the efficient operation of the school district. Existing law provides that in the case of a district that employs 20 or more supervisory peace officer employees, a negotiating unit of supervisory employees is appropriate if it includes any of specified supervisory employees. Existing law prohibits these supervisory employees from being in a negotiation unit with employees whom they supervise. This bill would permit a supervisory peace officer employee to join or participate in an employee organization and negotiating unit that is composed of nonsupervisory peace officers if the representation has been agreed to by the supervisory employee representative, the nonsupervisory peace officer representative, and the employer and the Public Employment Relations Board is so notified.

SB 778 (Nielsen R) Public employment: salary ranges.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013

Status: 5/3/2013-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was P.E. & R. on

3/11/2013)

Location: 5/3/2013-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Existing law establishes the Department of Human Resources for purposes of managing the nonmerit aspects of the state's personnel system. Existing law requieres the department to establish and adjust salary ranges for each class of position in the state civil service, subject to specified merit limits and except as specified. Existing law requires the salary range to be based on the principle that like salaries shall be paid for comparable duties and responsibilities. This bill would require the department to address salary compaction and parity concerns. The bill would also require the department, when it is determined that revenues do not allow the department to implement a salary determination to increase any excluded and exempt employee salaries in a given year, to provide to the Legislature existing data on the salary determination, including all salary compaction and parity determinations for supervisory and managerial employees.

SBX1 2 (Hernandez D) Health care coverage.

Current Text: Chaptered: 5/9/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 1/28/2013 **Last Amend:** 4/1/2013

Status: 5/9/2013-Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 2, Statutes of 2013-14 First Extraordinary

Session.

Location: 5/9/2013-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Existing federal law, the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (PPACA), enacts various health care coverage market reforms that take effect January 1, 2014. Among other things, PPACA requires each health insurance issuer that offers health insurance coverage in the individual or group market in a state to accept every employer and individual in the state that applies for that coverage and to renew that coverage at the option of the plan sponsor or the individual. PPACA prohibits a group health plan and a health insurance issuer offering group or individual health insurance coverage from imposing any preexisting condition exclusion with respect to that plan or coverage. PPACA allows the premium rate charged by a health insurance issuer offering small group or

individual coverage to vary only by rating area, age, tobacco use, and whether the coverage is for an individual or family and prohibits discrimination against individuals based on health status, as specified. PPACA requires an issuer to consider all enrollees in its individual market plans to be part of a single risk pool and to consider all enrollees in its small group market plans to be part of a single risk pool, as specified. PPACA also requires each state to, by January 1, 2014, establish an American Health Benefit Exchange that facilitates the purchase of qualified health plans by qualified individuals and qualified small employers, as specified. This bill would require a health care service plan, on and after October 1, 2013, to offer, market, and sell all of the plan's health benefit plans that are sold in the individual market for policy years on or after January 1, 2014, to all individuals and dependents in each service area in which the plan provides or arranges for the provision of health care services, as specified, but would require plans to limit enrollment in individual health benefit plans to specified open enrollment and special enrollment periods. The bill would prohibit these health care service plans from imposing any preexisting condition exclusion upon any individual and from conditioning the issuance or offering of individual health benefit plans on any health status-related factor, as specified. The bill would require a health care service plan to consider the claims experience of all enrollees of its nongrandfathered individual health benefit plans offered in the state to be part of a single risk pool, as specified, would require the plan to establish a specified index rate for that market, and would authorize the plan to vary premiums from the index rate based only on specified factors. The bill would authorize plans to use only age, geographic region, and family size for purposes of establishing rates for individual health benefit plans, as specified. The bill would require plans to provide specified information regarding the Exchange to applicants for and subscribers of individual health benefit plans offered outside the Exchange. The bill would prohibit a plan from advertising or marketing an individual grandfathered health plan for the purpose of enrolling a dependent of the subscriber in the plan and would also require plans to annually issue a specified notice to subscribers enrolled in a grandfathered plan. The bill would authorize the director to require a plan to discontinue offering individual plan contracts if the director determines the plan does not have sufficient financial viability or organizational capacity, as specified. The bill would make certain of these provisions inoperative if, and 12 months after, specified provisions of PPACA are repealed or amended, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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