

CHEAC Legislative Hot Sheet 2004 - #5

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SUPPORT 1

***AB 1881/ - Reauthorizes the integrated contracting pilot program for any county that wants to participate. Extends the programs' sunset date to 1/1/10.**

STATUS: Introduced

***AJR 54/Pacheco - Memorializes the President and Congress to revise the formula used to calculate the FMAP to consider, in addition to a state's per capita income, the total number of persons living in poverty in that state.**

STATUS: Introduced & Referred to Assembly Health Committee

SB 678/Ortiz - Appropriations bill for the CDC and HRSA bioterrorism preparedness grants. Authorizes DHS to enter into contracts for the purpose of meeting the federally approved BT plan; exempts those contracts from provisions of law relating to contracting by state agencies.

LAST ACTION: Passed off Assembly Floor (68-0) - In Senate for concurrence

STATUS: Senate Health & Human Services Committee recommended concurrence in Assembly amendments (9-0) - Senate Floor

***SB 1159/ Authorizes a licensed pharmacist to sell hypodermic needles or syringes to a person without a prescription. Other provisions.**

STATUS: Referred to Senate Health & Human Services and Environmental Quality Committees

SUPPORT 2

***AB 1091/Negrete McLeod - Requires the reportable diseases list to include reportable conditions and requires DHS to consult with CCLHO before making a change to the list. Exempts modifications to the list from certain existing adoption of administrative rules and regulations law provisions.**

LAST ACTION: Passed to Senate (78-0)

STATUS: Referred to Senate Health & Human Services Committee

SB 142/Alpert – Spot bill for State Health Purchasing Program.

LAST ACTION: Senate Floor

STATUS: Passed to Assembly (24-11)

***SB 1192/Chesbro - Requires Knox-Keene health care service plans and disability insurance policies to provide coverage for the treatment of medically necessary substance related disorders on the same basis as they provide coverage for any other medical condition. Other provisions.**

STATUS: Introduced

OPPOSE 1

AB 1470/Vargas - Authorizes, in any county, the increase in IHSS wages, benefits, or both, by voter initiative to the same extent that these wages and benefits may be increased by the BOS under the IHSS program. Requires a voter initiative to only be placed on the ballot of a previously scheduled county election and specifies the events that would have to occur in order for the voter initiative to take place.

LAST ACTION: Passed out as amended from Senate Health & Human Services (8-2) - Amended 7/16/03

STATUS: Senate Appropriations Committee - Set for hearing 8/29 - not heard, remains on Suspense File

SPECIAL INTEREST BILLS

AB 30/Richman - Requires MRMIB to expand HFP to provide coverage to employed childless adults who are uninsured and meet certain income criteria only if the program has been expanded to uninsured parents and caretakers of children in the program. Subject to approval of federal waiver and appropriation of state matching funds.

LAST ACTION: Passed out as amended from Senate Insurance (5-2) - Amended 7/8/03

STATUS: Senate Appropriations Committee - Set for hearing 8/29 - not heard, remains on Suspense File

SB 431/Ortiz - Appropriates funds from the Federal Trust Fund to DHS to implement state and local bioterrorism preparedness measures.

LAST ACTION: Senate Floor

STATUS: Passed to Assembly (23-10)

SB 858/Ortiz – Intent bill to establish the Department of Public Health and to realign some responsibilities of DHS to the newly created department.

LAST ACTION: Passed out of Senate (37-0) - In Assembly

STATUS: Assembly Health Committee - Amended 7/29/03

***New Bills to the Hot Sheet - Please note these are unofficial positions until ratified by the General Membership in March.**