

CHEAC Legislative Hot Sheet 2005 - #2

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Hot Sheet at a glance

Bill Number	Status	CHEAC Position
AB 109/Chan	Amended 3/3/05. Reset for hearing 3/15/05 Assembly Health Committee.	Watch (Special Interest Bill)
AB 126/Dymally	In Assembly Health Committee. Set for hearing 4/5/05.	Oppose-2
AB 392/Chan	In Assembly Health Committee.	Support-1
*AB 470/Yee	In Assembly Health Committee.	Watch (Special Interest Bill)
*AB 512/Richman	Introduced.	Support-2
AB 547/Berg	Referred to Assembly Health Committee. Set for hearing 4/12/05.	Support-1
AB 586/Negrete McLeod	Referred to Assembly Health Committee. Set for hearing 4/12/05.	Watch (Special Interest Bill)
SB 12/Escutia	Referred to Senate Education Committee and Senate Health & Human Services Committee. Set for hearing 3/16/05 (Education). Amended 3/10/05.	Support-2
SB 34/Florez	In Senate Local Government Committee. Amended 3/8/05. Set for hearing 3/16/05.	Oppose-2
SB 35/Florez	Amended 3/8/05. In Senate Appropriations Committee.	Watch (Special Interest Bill)
SB 104/Ortiz	Referred to the Senate Public Safety Committee.	Watch (Special Interest Bill)
SB 162/Ortiz	Referred to Senate Health Committee and Senate Government Modernization, Efficiency and Accountability Committee. Set for hearing 3/16/05 (Health).	Watch (Special Interest Bill)
*SB 325/Ducheny	Referred to Senate Health Committee.	Watch (Special Interest Bill)

*Bills new to the hot sheet.

SUPPORT 1

AB 392/Chan – Authorizes any county, with the assistance and participation of the appropriate state departments, to implement a program for the funding and delivery of services and benefits through an integrated and comprehensive county health and human services system. Includes evaluation components.
STATUS: Referred to Assembly Health Committee.

AB 547/Berg – Authorizes cities, counties and cities and counties to have a clean needle and syringe exchange project in consultation with DHS. Eliminates local declaration of emergency provisions.
LAST ACTION: Introduced.
STATUS: Referred to Assembly Health Committee. Set for hearing 4/12/05.

SUPPORT 2

***AB 512/Richman** - Authorizes DHS to deny, suspend or revoke a clinical lab's license or registration for failure to comply with specified infectious disease reporting requirements. Authorizes DHS to impose civil monetary penalties for failure to comply with these requirements.
STATUS: Introduced.

SB 12/Escutia – Prohibits the sale of certain beverages and food items at high schools, commencing 7/1/07.

LAST ACTION: Introduced. Referred to Senate Education Committee and Senate Health Committee.
STATUS: Amended 3/10/05. Set for hearing 3/16/05 (Education).

OPPOSE 2

AB 126/Dymally – Makes various changes to the Beilenson process before a county can close a county health facility or reduce the level of services. A county must file with DHS a description of existing facilities and services 60 days prior, and must make findings after the hearing that the proposed action would not have a detrimental impact on the health care needs of indigent people in the county. Also sets new standard for indigent care equal to that available to health care services in private facilities.

STATUS: Referred to Assembly Health Committee. Set for hearing 4/5/05.

SB 34/Florez – Requires that the majority of a county First Five commission consist of persons who do not represent the county. ~~Prohibits the chairperson of the county commission from being a county supervisor or employed by the county.~~ **Grants the commission full discretion in the selection and appointment of its chairperson.** Other provisions.

LAST ACTION: Introduced. Referred to Senate Local Government Committee. Set for hearing 3/2/05.
STATUS: Not heard. Amended 3/8/05. Set for hearing 3/16/05.

SPECIAL INTEREST BILLS

AB 109/Chan – Adds requirements that county First Five commissions adopt policies regarding conflict of interests of commission members and commission contracting and procurement policies, ~~and that the county adopt a limit on the percentage of the county commission's revenue~~ **operating budget** that may be spent on administrative functions, pursuant to guidelines issued by the state commission **and that the county commission adopt policies and processes establishing the salaries and benefits of county commission employees.** Requires each county commission to submit in its audit report a list, ~~by category,~~ of all program areas funded and administrative costs incurred **if the state commission prescribes that format prior to the fiscal year in which it is to be utilized.** Requires that the state commission's report include expenditures for both administration and program areas funded by the state and county commissions. Requires the Controller ~~to audit each county commission every three years, prescribe the scope of the audit, and authorizes the Controller to recommend to the state commission to withhold the annual allocation of money to a county commission until the county commission has corrected the practices identified in the audit~~ **to issue guidelines for expanded annual audits of each county commission and associated quality control functions, subject to funding by the state commission, and to present the final audit guidelines and implementation plan to the state commission by 4/20/06.** Other provisions.

LAST ACTION: Referred to Assembly Health Committee – Set for hearing 3/8/05.
STATUS: Amended 3/3/05

***AB 470/Yee** - **Requires county mental health agencies to provide mental health assessment and all necessary mental health services for children whose families receive CalWorks or SSI/SSP or are wards or dependent children of the court.**

STATUS: Introduced. Referred to Assembly Health Committee. Set for hearing 4/5/05.

AB 586/Negrete McLeod – Designates the operational area coordinator, in cooperation with various agencies, as the person responsible for ensuring the development of a medical and health disaster system. Defines operational area coordinators as county health officers and the county local EMS agency who shall act jointly as the Medical/Health Operational Area Coordinator (MHOAC). Requires DHS and EMSA to adopt regulations and guidelines by which disaster medical and health preparedness, response, recovery and mitigation functions are to be evaluated and carried out.

LAST ACTION: Introduced.

STATUS: Referred to Assembly Health Committee. Set for hearing 4/12/05.

SB 35/Florez – Adds to existing First Five requirements that a county commission adopt policies regarding conflict of interest of commission members and commission contracting and procurement policies, and that limit the percentage of a county commissions revenues spent on administrative functions. Requires each county commission to submit in its audit report a list, by category, of all program areas funded and administrative costs incurred. Requires that the state commission's report include expenditures for both administration and program areas funded by the state and county commissions. Requires the Controller to audit each county commission every three years, prescribe the scope of the audit, and authorizes the Controller to recommend to the state commission to withhold the annual allocation of money to a county commission until the county commission has corrected the practices identified in the audit. Other provisions.

LAST ACTION: Passed out as amended from Senate Local Government Committee (6-1). To Senate Appropriations Committee.

STATUS: Amended 3/8/05.

SB 104/Ortiz – Makes an order of a local health officer enforceable immediately by certain state or local peace officers. Contains placeholder language for possible use in implementation of federal bioterrorism preparedness grant.

STATUS: Referred to the Senate Public Safety Committee.

SB 162/Ortiz – Establishes the State Department of Public Health, to be headed by the State Health Officer to be appointed by the Governor. Transfers the responsibility for certain programs from the State Department of Health Services to the State Department of Public Health. Other provisions.

STATUS: Referred to Senate Health Committee and Senate Government Modernization, Efficiency and Accountability Committee. Set for hearing 3/16/05 (Health).

SB 325/Ducheny - Authorizes counties to seek reimbursement from the Local Revenue Fund (Realignment) for all verified excess costs to fund assessments, psychotherapy and other mental health services allowable under federal regulations and required by state law.

STATUS: Introduced. Referred to Senate Health Committee.