

# CHEAC Hot Sheet #13 - 2006

## April 21, 2006

Bill Number Author Subject	Bill Status	Description	CHEAC Position
<b>ASSEMBLY BILLS</b>			
AB 392/Chan <i>Consolidated Contract</i>	On Senate Floor Inactive File.	Expands the ability of a county to implement an integrated health and human services system.	S-1
AB 576/Wolk <i>IZ Registry</i>	In Senate Health Committee. Also referred to Senate Judiciary Committee. Amended 2/14/06.	Allows patient physicians, local health departments and DHS to maintain access to immunization records when a patient refuses the sharing of this information.	S-2
AB 586/Negrete McLeod <i>EMS/BT</i>	In Senate Health Committee. Last amended 5/26/05.	Allows the health officer and the local EMS agency administrator to jointly appoint a medical/health operational area coordinator charged with coordinating the development of a medical and health disaster system. Requires DHS and EMSA to develop disaster medical and health regulations.	Special Interest Bill
AB 699/Chan <i>Public Health</i>	On Assembly Floor. Passed to Senate (48-32). Referred to Senate Health Committee. Amended 4/5/06.	Requires DHS to determine the amounts of influenza vaccine available in the state each year. Compels vaccine distributors and pharmacy suppliers to divulge their local vaccine supplies. Requires any entity entitled to vaccine in the state to report its inventory upon notice from DHS or LHDs.	Special Interest Bill
AB 959/Frommer <i>Medi-Cal</i>	On Assembly Floor. Passed off the Assembly Floor (79-0). In Senate. Referred to Senate Health Committee. Amended 2/27/06.	Allows county (and city) public health clinics, as well as freestanding county primary and specialty care clinics which serve Medi-Cal patients on a fee-for-service basis to participate in the Medicaid Outpatient Supplemental Payment Program.	S-1
AB 2004/Yee <i>Medi-Cal</i>	In Assembly Appropriations. <b>Amended 4/18/06.</b>	Would prohibit terminating a minor's Medi-Cal eligibility if the minor is incarcerated instead requires DHS to suspend an incarcerated juvenile's Medi-Cal eligibility. Upon release from incarceration, DHS must ensure a juvenile has immediate access to Medi-Cal program health care services.	S-2
AB 2076/Laird <i>AIDS/HIV</i>	In Assembly Appropriations Committee. Amended 3/28/06. Placed on suspense file.	Would allow counties to use HIV prevention and education funds to support clean needle and syringe projects.	S-2
AB 2379/Berg <i>PH Labs</i>	In Assembly Health Committee. Set for hearing 4/18/06. <b>Not Heard. Amended 4/19/06. Reset for hearing 4/25/06.</b>	<del>Establishes the Public Health Lab Director Training Program.</del> <b>(Back up to state budget proposal). Eliminates the sunset for the CCS carve-out in Medi-Cal managed care contracts.</b>	S-1

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AB 2427/ Canciamilla <i>Public Health</i>	In Assembly Transportation Committee. Set for hearing 4/17/06. <b>Not heard. Reset for hearing 4/24/06.</b>	Exemption for those over the age of 18 from motorcycle helmet law.	O-1
AB 2469/Evans <i>IHSS</i>	In Assembly Human Services Committee. Set for hearing 4/25/06. <b>Amended 4/19/06.</b>	Advances funds to counties, with a population of 250,000 or less, against future realignment revenues to cover the full-cost of IHSS.	O-1
AB 2554/Ridley-Thomas <i>EMS</i>	In Assembly Health Committee. Amended 4/6/06. Set for hearing 4/18/06. <b>Do pass from Health (12-0). To Assembly Appropriations.</b>	Limits the authority of local EMS agency or public safety agency medical directors to take disciplinary actions regarding certificates issued or renewed by that local EMS or public safety agency.	O-1
*AB 2745/Jones <i>Homeless</i>	In Assembly Human Services Committee. Set for hearing 4/4/06. Amended 3/28/06. Passed out as amended (4-1). Amended 4/6/06. Referred to Assembly Health Committee. Set for hearing 4/25/06.	Requires hospitals to develop discharge protocols for homeless individuals while also requiring county BOS to approve, approve with modifications or reject submitted protocols.	<b>O-2</b>
AB 2818/Maze <i>Alcohol/Drug</i>	In Assembly Health Committee. Set for hearing 4/18/06. <b>Not heard. Amended 4/19/06. Reset for hearing 4/25/06.</b>	<del>Establishes a pilot program to have 12 health facilities conduct random drug tests on mothers and their infants at birth to determine the prevalence of illegal narcotics.</del> <b>Requires DHS to establish a surveillance program to uncover legal and illegal drug use patterns relating to women of reproductive age, women receiving prenatal or obstetrics care and newborns. Other provisions.</b>	Watch with Concerns
<b>SENATE BILLS</b>			
SB 162/Ortiz <i>Public Health</i>	On Senate Floor. Passed off Senate Floor (22-12). In Assembly. Referred to Assembly Health Committee.	Establishes the State Department of Public Health, to be headed by the State Health Officer to be appointed by the Governor. Transfers various public health programs to the newly established department.	Special Interest Bill
SB 409/Kehoe <i>State Budget Public Health Preparedness</i>	On Assembly Floor. Amended 4/6/06.	State Budget current year proposals: local pandemic influenza planning funds (\$4.5 million), some public health lab funding, some anti-viral funding and the EMSA PPE purchasing proposal.	S-1
SB 699/Soto <i>AIDS/HIV</i>	To Governor. <b>Signed by Governor. Chapter 20, Statutes of 2006.</b>	Changes HIV reporting system to names-based system. (Replaced SB 945 which was dropped from the hot sheet.)	S-2
SB 1287/Ducheny <i>Realignment</i>	Referred to Senate Human Services Committee. Set for hearing 4/25/06.	Requires the Legislative Analyst to prepare a report for the Legislature and the Governor on programs funded out of the Realignment Social Services Account.	Watch with Concerns

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SB 1288/Cedillo <i>Medi-Cal Alcohol/Drug</i>	Referred to Senate Health Committee and Senate Public Safety Committee. Set for hearing (Health) 3/22/06. Not Heard. Amended 3/20/06. Re-set for hearing (Health) 4/5/06. Heard, remains in committee. Reset for hearing 4/19/06. <b>Amended 4/17/06. Re-referred to Senate Public Safety Committee.</b>	Requires that residential drug and alcohol treatment services for minors (12-20) be a covered benefit under the Medi-Cal Drug Treatment Program. Other provisions.	S-2
SB 1350/Romero <i>EMS Trauma Care</i>	In Senate Health Committee. <b>Amended 4/20/06. Set for hearing 4/26/06.</b>	Appropriates \$25 million to the Trauma Care Fund for the newly created three regions for trauma care. Funds to be used to develop a trauma care plan that will provide trauma care coverage to the entire region.	Watch with Concerns
SB 1430/Alquist <i>Health Officers Public Health Law</i>	Passed out as amended from Senate Health Committee (8-0) and referred to Senate Rules Committee. <b>Amended 4/20/06. Referred to Senate Judiciary Committee. Set for hearing 4/25/06.</b>	<del>Requires DHS to report annually on the number of instances when DHS requests enforcement assistance from local peace officers. Gives health officers the authority to prevent the occurrence and spread of communicable disease and other toxic agents. Allows health officers to declare local health emergencies when there is a presence or threat of any contagious, infectious or communicable disease or other toxic agents. Requires various health related entities to disclose inventories of critical medical supplies, equipment, pharmaceuticals, vaccines or other items that may be used to prevent the spread of disease at the request of the local health officer. Expands the kinds of health care professionals protected by immunity laws in the event of an emergency. Other provisions.</del> <b>Allows first responders to hold individuals exposed to toxic agents for two hours for decontamination. Expands the authority of local health officers to declare a local health emergency (currently allowed only for toxic spills) if there is imminent and proximate threat of infectious disease. Emergency declaration must be ratified by the BOS within seven days. Further defines local health emergency. Other provisions.</b>	Special Interest Bill
SB 1596/Runner <i>Public Health</i>	In Senate Health Committee. Passed out of Senate Health (7-0). To Senate Appropriations. <b>Set for hearing 4/24/06.</b>	Establishes the Nurse-Family Partnership program.	SIA

**NOTE: Bolded passages reflect changes from the previous Hot Sheet. Bills with an asterisk reflect CHEAC Legislative Committee action and positions are unofficial until ratified by the General Membership in June.**

## Definitions of Legislative Terms

Chaptered – A bill passed by the Legislature and signed into law by the Governor.

Concurrence – The approval by the house of origin of a bill that was amended in the opposite house .

Dead Bill – A bill that has not met legislative deadlines for passage. Usually occurs at the beginning of the second year of a two-year legislative session.

Failed Passage – A bill that has been voted on in either a committee or assembly or senate floor and did not receive a majority vote. An urgency measure or tax increase must receive 2/3 vote on the floor.

Gut and Amend – An amended bill where the previous legislative language is removed and replaced with entirely new subject matter.

Held in Committee – Status of a bill that is heard in committee but no action is taken.

Inactive File – A bill ready for floor consideration but placed on a dormant list upon the author's request.

Interim Study – The assignment of a bill's subject matter to the appropriate committee for study during the period the Legislature is not in session.

Reconsideration Granted – A motion giving the opportunity to take another vote on a bill that has failed passage in a committee hearing or floor session.

Rules Committee – All bills are initially referred to this committee in each house for policy committee assignments.

Spot Bill (or intent bill) – A bill that proposes nonsubstantive changes to a code section in a particular subject. Often used as a legislative vehicle later in the legislative session for ideas not fully fleshed out when the bill is introduced.

Suspense File – Bills meeting a certain appropriation threshold in fiscal committees are placed on the suspense file. Fiscal committees in each house hold a special hearing close to the fiscal committee deadlines (late May and August) to determine which bills will come off the suspense file and move forward. The decision on each bill is pre-determined by leadership and the committee vote is mostly a formality.