Signed and Vetoed Bills of Note – 2018

INTRODUCTION

The second year of the 2017-18 legislative session was another largely productive year. The Governor again signed an on-time budget. State revenues exceeded estimates, allowing for the creation of a total state reserve of nearly $16 billion, a priority for the Governor. It also allowed for some notable investments in economic security for Californians while also hewing to the Governor’s priority of one-time spending. Some of the major spending in the 2018-19 budget ends the “SSI cash-out,” which will increase eligibility for CalFresh food assistance; augments long-term care ombudsman funding; establishes protective principles for implementation of electronic visitation verification (EVV); augments funding for transitions from developmental centers to the community; augments funding for the deaf access program; expands the earned income tax credit; establishes a homeless mentally ill outreach program; provides $100 million for incompetent to stand trial diversion programs; provides $500 million to local governments to fund homelessness services; and places the No Place Like Home program on the November ballot for the construction of supportive housing for those with mental illnesses who are homeless.

Once the budget was signed, the legislature focused on the pending bills. The September 30 deadline for the Governor to sign bills before the legislature’s final recess on August 31 marked the practical end of the 2017-18 legislative session. This year the Governor considered the highest number of bills of his third and fourth terms as governor: 1,217 bills made it to the Governor’s desk. He signed 1,016 bills and vetoed 201 (16.5%). Overall, in the 2017-18 legislative session there were 4,775 bills introduced.
and 2,194 passed. A total of 1,875 (39.27%) bills were enacted and 319 were vetoed. See, How Often do Governors Say No, California Senate Office of Research, October 2018, for a historical analysis: https://sor.senate.ca.gov/sites/sor.senate.ca.gov/files/SOR%20Governors%20veto%20record%202018.pdf

During this legislative year DRC took a position on 360 bills within our priority areas. Those positions are noted for each bill summarized. Of the bills we took positions on in 2018, the following is the count by bill type:

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The following is a summary of the DRC/Disability-related bills that made it to the Governor’s desk that he either signed or vetoed. The topics include disability-related matters as well as bills of significance in litigation, courts, and judicial administration; criminal and juvenile justice; youth; public benefits; poverty and several other areas. This summary is intended to be a resource guide of enacted bills, **effective dates**¹, and insight into the reasons for the Governor’s vetoes.
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**ABUSE & NEGLECT**

**AB 1934 (Jones-Sawyer) – Dependent Persons: Definition**
Specifies that a person is a dependent person or dependent adult irrespective of whether the person lives independently for the purpose of laws related to abuse and neglect of dependent persons and adults. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1934

**SB 1191 (Hueso) – Crimes: Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse: Investigations**
Requires local law enforcement agencies and long term care ombudsman programs to revise or include in their policy manuals information regarding elder and dependent adult abuse. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1191

**SB 1320 (Stern) – Elder or Dependent Adult Abuse: Victim Confidentiality**
Makes programs for victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse, stalking, or human trafficking available to a victim of elder or dependent adult abuse. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1320

**ACCESSIBILITY**

**AB 1547 (Quirk-Silva) - State Finance: Financing Authorities**
Revises the definition of "small business," for eligibility to apply for a loan from the California Small Business Capital Access Loan Program for Americans with Disabilities Act (CalCAP for ADA) to address access barriers, from a business with up to 15 employees and less than $5,000,000 in total gross annual income to a business with up to 30
employees or up to $5,000,000 in total gross annual income from all sources. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1547

AB 1957 (Berman) – Social Services: Communications: Text Messages
Authorizes a county to communicate with applicants for CalWORKs or CalFresh benefits via a computer generated text message. Authorizes a notice of action to be sent via a computer generated text message only using a link to a secure online portal. Requires all electronic technology used to be in compliance with state information technology policy and related state and federal law. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1957

AB 3002 (Grayson) – Disability Access Requirements: Information
Requires local jurisdictions, issuing building permits for commercial construction or business licenses, to make available a notice containing specified information regarding disability access. Requires a local agency to provide the informational notice to an applicant for a commercial building permit or a business license. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB3002

SB 946 (Lara) – Sidewalk Vendors
Prohibits cities, cities and counties from regulating sidewalk vendors except as permitted by the bill for specific purposes including health, safety, or welfare concerns. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB946
**ALCOHOL & DRUG TREATMENT FACILITIES**

**SB 1228 (Lara) - Alcoholism or Drug Abuse Recovery: Referrals**
Prohibits specified persons, programs, or entities, including a licensed alcoholism or drug abuse recovery and treatment facility, or an employee of that facility, from giving or receiving remuneration or anything of value for the referral of a person who is seeking alcoholism or drug abuse recovery and treatment services. Authorizes the Department of Health Care Services to investigate and impose sanctions for violations including. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1228

**AB 3162 (Friedman) – Alcoholism and Drug Treatment Facilities**
Makes an initial license for a new facility issued by the State Department of Health Care Services to a provider provisional for one year and revocable for good cause. Requires licensed services offered or provided by a licensed alcoholism or drug abuse recovery or treatment facility to be specified on the license and provided exclusively within either the licensed facility or any facility identified on a single license by street address. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB3162

**SB 823 (Hill) – Alcohol and Drug Treatment Abuse Recovery**
Requires the Department of Health Care Services to adopt standards for alcohol and drug treatment abuse recovery and treatment facilities as minimum requirements for licensure. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB823

**SB 992 (Hernandez) - Alcoholism or Drug Abuse Recovery or Treatment Facility**
Requires all alcoholism or drug abuse recovery or treatment programs licensed or certified by the Department of Health Care Services to disclose specified information, including ownership of a recovery residence.
Requires a licensee to develop a plan to address when a resident relapses that includes discharge and continuing care planning. Prohibits a licensee from denying admission to any individual based on the individual having a validly prescribed FDA approved narcotic replacement or medication-assisted treatment for substance use disorders. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB992

BLINDNESS

AB 3223 (Grayson) – Special Education: Visually Impaired Pupils: Braille: Unified English Braille
Defines braille as the system of reading and writing through touch commonly known as Unified English Braille. (DRC had a support position.)
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB3223

CalFRESH

AB 1892 (Jones-Sawyer) CalFresh
Directs the Department of Social Services to issue guidance to counties participating in the CalFresh Employment and Training program with instructions for providing the support services or client reimbursements, including instructions for the reimbursement of a proportion of the cost of Internet or telephone service. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1892

CalWORKS

AB 2030 (Limon) – CalWORKs: Accommodations
Requires any single state automated welfare system to include a notification to inform the caseworker of a public assistance program applicant or recipient who has disclosed the need for an accommodation
consistent with ADA, or a disability or domestic violence experience that may affect eligibility. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2030

SB 1446 (Glazer) – CalWORKs: Welfare-to-Work
Requires a county to deem a recipient to be in compliance with CalWORK's welfare to work requirements if the recipient reports and the county verifies, or the country otherwise discovers, that the recipient meets the federally required minimum average number of hours per week of welfare to work participation, unless the recipient provides notice to the county that they wish to have sanctions imposed. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1446

CIVIL PROCEDURE/COURTS/LITIGATION

AB 1290 (Obernolte) – Lawyer Client Privilege: Holder of the Privilege
Amends existing law related to lawyer client privilege. Specifies that, notwithstanding the definition of the term “holder of the privilege,” a guardian or conservator who has an actual or apparent conflict with a client does not hold the privilege. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1290

AB 2185 (Chiu) – Civil Actions: appointment of guardian ad litem.
Authorizes a court to permit a guardian ad litem to be appointed and appear under a pseudonym if the guardian ad litem establishes facts and circumstances that demonstrate an overriding interest in preserving his or her anonymity. Requires all court decisions, orders, petitions, and other documents to be written in a manner that protects the name and personal identifying information of the guardian ad litem from public disclosure. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2185
**AB 2230 (Berman) – Civil Actions**
Extends the period for a court to determine a motion for a new trial or a motion to set aside and vacate a judgment. Extends the period after a filing of the first notice of intention to move for a new trial or to set aside. Allows a court to require, in lieu of a separate statement, a concise outline of the discovery request and each response in dispute. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2230


**AB 2376 (Stone) – Civil Actions: Provisional Remedies: Injunctions**
Clarifies that a tax that funds the defendant local agency is sufficient to confer standing as a taxpayer, including income tax, sales and use tax, property tax, and others. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2376


**AB 2532 (Jones-Sawyer) – Infractions: Community Service**
Requires the court to permit a person convicted of an infraction to elect, rather than be sentenced, to community service in lieu of the total fine. Determines the hourly rate of community service as double the minimum wage for employers with 25 or less employees, with court discretion, based on a local rule, to credit each hour at a higher amount. (DRC had a support if amended position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2532


**AB 2664 (Holden) – Court Reporters: Official Reporter Pro Tempore**
Authorizes a pro tempore official reporter, who is present in the courtroom providing that service, to be appointed by the presiding judge of the court or the judge presiding in the Department where the reporter will serve. Requires the Judicial Council to adopt rules to require, at the arranging party' s request, the court to appoint the certified shorthand reporter to be present and serve as the official reporter pro tempore, unless there is good cause shown for the court's refusal. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2664

**AB 2770 (Irwin) – Privileged Communications: Communications by Former Employer: Sexual Harassment**
Includes among privileged communications complaints of sexual harassment by an employee, without malice, to an employer based on credible evidence and communications between the employer and interested persons regarding a complaint. (DRC had no position.)
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2770


**AB 3047 (Daly) – Court Fees: Waiver: Indian Child Welfare Act**
Waives the fee for filing pro hac vice when the applicant is an attorney representing a tribe in a child welfare matter under the federal Indian Child Welfare Act. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB3047


**AB 3109 (Stone) – Contracts: waiver of right of petition or free speech.**
Makes a provision in a contract or settlement agreement void and unenforceable if it waives a party's right to testify in an administrative, legislative, or judicial proceeding concerning alleged criminal conduct or sexual harassment. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB3109


**AB 3249 (Judiciary Committee) – State Bar Act: Attorneys: Discipline: Annual Membership Fees**
Authorizes the State Bar of California to collect annual membership fees of $390 for 2019 and enact other reforms, including a strengthening of the attorney discipline system. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB3249

SB 820 (Leyva) – Settlement agreements: confidentiality.
Prohibits a provision in a settlement agreement that prevents disclosure of factual information relating to certain claims of sexual assault, sexual harassment, or harassment or discrimination based on sex, that are filed in a civil or administrative action. Creates an exception, not applicable if a party is a government agency or public official, if the provision preventing disclosure is included within the settlement agreement at the request of the claimant. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB820

SB 1155 (Hueso) – Court interpreters: small claims proceedings.
Deletes a provision excluding small claims proceedings from the definition of a court proceeding for purposes of a requirement to use certified court interpreters and thereby extends that requirement to small claims proceedings. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1155

CONSERVATORSHIP

AB 2236 (Maienschein) – Conservatorship
Clarifies potential conflicts in law governing termination of a conservatorship. Specifies conservatorship continues until terminated by the death of the conservatee or by order of the court under circumstances in existing law, including actions with regard to the estate of a deceased conservatee. (DRC had no position.)
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2236

SB 931 (Hertzberg) – Conservatorships: Custody Status
Authorizes a professional person in charge of providing mental health treatment at a county jail to recommend a conservatorship for a person without that person being an inpatient. Authorizes initiation of conservatorship proceedings for a person who has been transferred from a county jail to a specified mental facility. Prohibits a conservatorship
investigator from failing to schedule an investigation based upon the custody status of a person who is subject to a conservatorship investigation. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB931

CRIMINAL AND JUVENILE JUSTICE

AB 748 (Ting) – Peace officers: video and audio recordings: disclosure.
Imposes timelines and extensions related to the release of a video or audio recording of a critical incident, balancing concerns of privacy, the rights of the subject, and interference with an active investigation. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB748

AB 1214 (Stone) – Juvenile Proceedings: Competency
Expands the duties imposed upon an expert during his or her evaluation of a minor whose competency is in doubt. Authorizes the District Attorney or minor's counsel to retain or seek the appointment of additional qualified experts with regard to determining competency. Requires the Judicial Council to adopt a rule of court relating to the qualifications of those experts. Authorizes the court to refer the minor to treatment services to assist in remediation and to consider alternatives to juvenile hall. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB1214

AB 1584 (Gonzalez Fletcher) – Criminal Law: DNA Collection: Minors
Amends the DNA Act. Prohibits a minor's voluntarily given DNA from being searched, analyzed, or compared to DNA or profiles related to crimes other than the one for which it was taken. Provides a procedure for a minor to have a voluntary sample expunged. Creates a civil cause of action against a local law enforcement agency that is found to have a pattern and practice of collecting voluntary samples in violation of the bill's provisions. (DRC had no position.)
AB 1617 (Bloom) – Juvenile Case Files: Inspection
Authorizes an individual, who is not generally authorized to inspect juvenile case files but received authorization from the juvenile court pursuant to a specified petition process, and who files a notice of appeal or petition of writ challenging a juvenile court order, or who is a respondent in that appeal or a real party in interest in that writ proceeding, to inspect and copy any records in a juvenile case file to which the individual was previously granted. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1617

AB 1941 (Jones-Sawyer) – Misdemeanors
Permits a court to reduce an offense punishable as either a felony or a misdemeanor to a misdemeanor upon successful completion of probation, regardless of whether the court had previously imposed a sentence. (DRC had no position.)
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1941

AB 2448 (Gipson) – Juveniles: Rights: Computing Technology
Amends existing law that entitles every child adjudged a dependent of the juvenile court and every minor detained in a juvenile hall or other care setting by a probation agency to participate in age appropriate, enrichment, and social activities. Requires these activities to include access to computer technology and the Internet. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2448

AB 2595 (Obernolte) – Wards: Confinement
States that limitations on the length of the physical confinement of a ward do not limit the power of the Board of Juvenile Hearings to discharge specified wards. Authorizes the committing juvenile court to retain
jurisdiction and to establish the conditions of supervision of a ward upon discharge from custody. Requires the juvenile court to set a maximum term necessary to achieve rehabilitation. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2595

AB 2952 (Stone) – Juvenile Records: Sealed Records: Access
Authorizes a prosecuting attorney to access, inspect, or utilize a juvenile record, that has been sealed in order to meet a statutory or constitutional obligation, to disclose favorable or exculpatory evidence to a defendant in a criminal case in which the prosecuting attorney has reason to believe that access to the record is necessary to meet the disclosure obligation, subject to approval by the court. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2952

SB 10 (Hertzberg) – Pretrial Release or Detention: Pretrial Services
Repeals existing laws regarding bail. Requires courts to establish pretrial assessment services. Requires persons arrested and detained to be subject to a pretrial risk assessment conducted. Requires a person arrested for a misdemeanor to be booked and released without a risk assessment. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB10

SB 215 (Beall) – Diversion: Mental Disorders
Makes defendants ineligible for a diversion program for certain offenses, including murder, voluntary manslaughter, and rape. Authorizes a court to require the defendant to make a prima facie showing that the defendant will meet the minimum requirements of eligibility for diversion, and that the defendant and the offense are suitable for diversion. Requires a court to conduct a hearing to determine whether restitution is owed to a victim, upon request. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB215
SB 439 (Mitchell) – Jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court
Establishes age 12 as the minimum age for juvenile court jurisdiction in most circumstances, in place of the current law standard of “under 18.”
(DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB439

SB 1054 (Hertzberg) – Pretrial release and detention: pretrial services.
Permits San Francisco to use its existing nonprofit entity for the pretrial assessments required under this year’s SB 10 bail reform bill. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB1054

SB 1106 (Hill) - Young Adults: Deferred Entry of Judgment Pilot Program
Extends from 2020 to 2022 the sunset date of the Transitional Age Youth pilot program, which permits a deferred entry of judgment. Adds Ventura County to the list of counties permitted to establish a pilot program. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB1106

SB 1187 (Beall) – Competence to Stand Trial
Amends existing law relating to a defendant's progress toward recovery of mental competence to stand trial. Deletes the requirement that a hearing be held by the committing court to determine mental competence of a defendant. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB1187

SB 1281 (Stern) – Juvenile Records
Amends existing law relating to juvenile criminal records by requiring destruction of a sealed record at age 33 for a ward ineligible to own or possess a firearm until age 30. Authorizes a prosecuting attorney or the
Department of Justice to access, inspect, or utilize juvenile criminal records for specified purposes relating to the enforcement of the firearm restrictions. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1281

SB 1391 (Lara) - Juveniles: Fitness for Juvenile Court
Repeals the authority of a District Attorney to make a motion to transfer a minor from juvenile court to adult criminal court, in a case in which a minor is alleged to have committed a specified serious offense when he or she was 14 or 15, unless the individual was not apprehended prior to the end of juvenile court jurisdiction. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1391

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

SB 134 (Hernandez) – Regional center contracts.
Requires a contract between the Department of Developmental Services and a private nonprofit association for the operation of a regional center to include procedures for employee retention, including requiring a successor contractor to agree to retain designated covered employees for a transition period. Authorizes a successor contractor and a labor organization to supersede these prohibitions by collective bargaining agreement. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB134

SB 175 (McGuire) - Developmental Services: Community Facility
Relates to the Canyon Springs Community Facility. Authorizes a court to order, until a specified date, the commitment of an individual who meets specified criteria for admission due to an acute crisis, as defined, to a separate and distinct unit of Canyon Springs Community Facility. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB175

**SB 1107 (Leyva) – Public Social Services: Family Home Agencies**
Authorizes private for-profit agencies to be selected as family home agencies under provisions of the Department of Developmental Services family home reimbursement program. (DRC had no position.)

**SB 1274 (McGuire) – Developmental Services: Data Exchange**
Requires the State Department of Social Services to provide the eligibility and enrollment data for the CalWORKs and CalFresh programs to the Department of Developmental Services for the purposes of monitoring and evaluating employment outcomes to determine the effectiveness of the Employment First Policy. (DRC had a support position.)

EDUCATION

**AB 1868 (Cunningham) – Pupil Instruction: Sexual Health Education**
Explicitly authorizes a school district to provide optional instruction, as part of comprehensive sexual health education and HIV prevention education, regarding the potential risks and consequences of creating and sharing sexually suggestive or sexually explicit materials through cellular telephones, social networking Internet Web sites, computer networks, or other digital media. (DRC had no position.)
[http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1868](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1868)

**AB 2109 (O’Donnell) – Pupils with a Temporary Disability: Honorary Diplomas**
Requires a pupil with a temporary disability to receive either individual instruction, at home or in a health facility, provided by the school district in which the pupil is deemed to reside. Authorizes a county office of education and the governing body of a charter school maintaining a high school to
confer an honorary high school diploma upon such pupil. (DRC had a support if amended position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2109

AB 2121 (Caballero) – Pupil Instruction: Coursework: Migratory Children
Extends provisions relating to high school graduation requirements to a pupil who is a migratory child, and a pupil participating in an English language proficiency program for newly arrived immigrant pupils, who is a junior or senior in high school. Requires charter schools to comply with those exemption requirements applicable to school districts and county offices of education. Requires coursework satisfactorily completed in a school in another country to be accepted. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2121

AB 2289 (Weber) – Pupil rights: pregnant and parenting pupils.
Declares that pregnant and parenting pupils are entitled to accommodations that provide them with the opportunity to succeed academically while protecting their health and the health of their children. Includes, as another type of excused absence, an absence to care for a sick child, for which the school is prohibited from requiring a note from a doctor. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2289

AB 2291 (Chiu) – School Safety: Bullying
Requires local educational agencies to adopt procedures for preventing acts of bullying, including cyberbullying. Requires the Department of Education to post on its Internet Web site an online training module and an annually updated list of other available online training modules relating to bullying or bullying prevention. Requires schools to make available the online training module developed by the department to school site employees who have regular interaction with pupils. (DRC had a support position.)
AB 2580 (Cunningham) - Special Education: Due Process Hearings: Extension
Requires a hearing officer, in a due process hearing related to special education, to grant an extension of the decision once for good cause based on the California Rules of Court standard and authorizes subsequent extensions at the discretion of the hearing officer. (DRC had a support position.)

AB 2639 (Berman) – Pupil Suicide Prevention Policies: Online Training
Requires the governing board or body of a local educational agency that serves pupils in grades 7 to 12, to review at least every five years its policy on pupil suicide prevention and, if necessary, update its policy. (DRC had no position.)

AB 2657 (Weber) – Pupil Discipline: Restraint and Seclusion
Authorizes an educational provider, as defined, to use behavioral restraints, which includes physical and mechanical restraints, or seclusion, as defined, only to control behavior that poses a clear and present danger of serious physical harm to a pupil or others that cannot be immediately prevented by a response that is less restrictive. (DRC sponsored.)

AB 2735 (O’Donnell) – English Learners: Participation in Standard Instruction
Prohibits a middle or high school pupil, who is classified as an English learner, from being denied participation in a school's standard instructional
program, by being denied enrollment in specified courses, including, among others, courses required for graduation and college admission. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2735


**AB 2826 (Friedman) – Pupil Enrollment: Interdistrict Attendance**

Requires each school district of residence and school district of proposed enrollment to post on its website the procedures and timelines regarding a request for an interdistrict transfer permit, including the date upon which the school district will begin accepting and processing interdistrict transfer requests for the subsequent school year and the reasons for which the school district may approve or deny a request. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2826


**SB 967 (Berryhill) - Public Postsecondary Education: Waiver of Tuition**

Sets standards under which the University of California and California State University campuses are prohibited from charging mandatory system-wide tuition or fees to current or former foster youth. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB967


**SB 972 (Portantino) – Pupil and Student Health: ID Cards: Suicide Hotline**

Requires schools that serve pupils in grades 7 to 12, and that issue pupil identification cards, to have printed on either side of the pupil identification cards the telephone number for the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, authorizes those schools to have printed on the pupil identification cards the Crisis Text Line and a local suicide prevention hotline telephone number. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB972

FAMILY

AB 2587 (Levine) – Disability Compensation: Paid Family Leave
Authorizes an employer to require an employee to take up to 2 weeks of earned but unused vacation before, and as a condition of, the employee's initial receipt of such benefits. Deletes an application of vacation leave to a certain waiting period. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2587

SB 1123 (Jackson) – Disability compensation: paid family leave
Expands the scope of the family temporary disability insurance program to include time off to participate in a qualifying exigency related to the covered active duty or call to covered active duty of the individual's spouse, domestic partner, child, or parent in the Armed Forces. Authorizes the Employment Development Department to require the employee to provide a copy of the covered active duty orders or other documentation issued by the military that indicates active duty status and the dates. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB1123

SB 1436 (Portantino) - Natural Parent and Child Relationship: Establishment
Specifies that clear and convincing evidence of parentage, for the purposes of utilizing a certain provision of the Uniform Parentage Act to establish a natural parent and child relationship, may include genetic DNA evidence acquired during the parent's lifetime. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB1436

FOSTER CARE

AB 1694 (Stone) – Foster Care Payments: Income
Repeals the prohibition on foster care payments from being considered income of the foster parent or child for purposes of determining eligibility and benefits for specified state or federal programs, unless required by
federal law as a condition of the receipt of federal financial participation. (DRC had no position.)
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1694

**AB 2083 (Cooley) – Foster Youth: trauma-informed system of care**
Amends the Continuum of Care Reform. Requires a county's memorandum of understanding to include provisions addressing the establishment and operation of an interagency leadership team and interagency placement committee. Authorizes members of the team and committee to disclose to, and exchange with one another, information or a writing that may be designated as confidential, under certain conditions. Requires the establishment of a Joint Interagency Resolution Team. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2083

**AB 3089 (Thurmond) – Student Financial Aid: Chafee Grant Awards**
Permits up to $80,000 of any appropriation to expand the Chafee Educational and Training Vouchers Program age eligibility of former foster youth up to 26 years of age, to be used by the Student Aid Commission or the Department of Social Services for outreach purposes. Specifies outreach purposes may include travel, material development, printing or publication, and other costs, as necessary. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB3089

**HATE CRIMES**

**AB 1985 (Ting) – Hate Crimes: Law Enforcement Policies**
Clarifies that a disability is protected under the hate crime law regardless of whether it is temporary, permanent, congenital, or acquired by heredity, accident, injury, advanced age, or illness. Requires any local law enforcement agency that updates an existing hate crime policy or adopts a new hate crime policy to include the model policy framework. (DRC had a support position.)
HEALTHCARE

**AB 1953 (Wood) – Skilled Nursing Facilities: Disclosure of Interests**
Requires an organization that operates, conducts, owns, or maintains a skilled nursing facility to additionally report whether the licensee, or a General Partner, Director, or Officer of the licensee, has a certain ownership or control interest percentage that provides any service to such facility. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1953


**AB 2112 (Santiago) – Federal 21st Century Cures Act: Crisis Response Plan**
Requires the Department of Health Care Services to submit an application to solicit a grant under federal law to develop a community-based crisis response plan. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2112


**AB 2180 (Kalra) – Long-term Care and Disability Insurance**
Expands the required information to be included in long term care policies regarding the threshold for establishing eligibility for home care benefits and the provision of an alternate plan of care. Expands the required information to be included in disability insurance policies that include an accelerated death benefit to explain the ability of an insured to request a health assessment and to receive a lump sum payment of the accelerated death benefit. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2180


**AB 2455 (Kalra) – Home Care Aide Registry: Personal Contact Information**
Requires the Department of Social Services to provide, for any new registration or renewal of registration of a home care aide upon request, a labor organization an electronic copy of a registered home care aide’s name, telephone number, and cellular telephone number. Requires the Department to establish a simple opt-out procedure. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2455

AB 2472 (Wood) – Health Care Coverage
Requires the Council on Health Care Delivery Systems to prepare an analysis and evaluation to determine the feasibility of a public health insurance plan option to increase competition and choice for health care consumers. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2472

AB 2499 (Arambula) – Health Care Coverage: Medical Loss Ratios
Revises medical loss ratio requirements to link their implementation to the standard applicable when the federal Affordable Care Act was enacted. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2499

AB 2821 (Mayes) – Integrated and Comprehensive Health and Human Services
Authorizes all counties to operate an integrated and comprehensive county health and human services system of the type currently authorized only in San Diego County. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2821

SB 398 (Monning) – Acquired Brain Trauma
Amends existing law relating to a program of services for persons with acquired traumatic brain injury. Requires the Department of Rehabilitation
to pursue all sources of funding. Repeals an existing requirement of submission of a federal Medicaid waiver application or an amendment of the state Medicaid plan. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB398

SB 910 (Hernandez) – Short-term Limited Duration Health Insurance
Prohibits a health insurer from issuing, selling, renewing, or offering a short-term limited duration health insurance policy for health care coverage in this state. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB910

SB 1046 (Roth) – Insurance: Long Term Care
Amends existing law regulating long term care insurance. Provides that if a premium increases, a policyholder or certificate holder has a right to retain a policy or certificate while reducing coverage and lowering the premium. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1046

SB 1108 (Hernandez) - MediCal: Conditions of Eligibility or Coverage
Authorizes the Department of Health Care Services to seek waivers of federal Medicaid requirements, including, but not limited to, demonstration projects that aim to either increase the number of MediCal beneficiaries or enhance the medical assistance provided to beneficiaries. Requires a waiver proposed by the Department, which offers nonmedical benefits to MediCal beneficiaries, to offer these benefits on a voluntary basis, and not as a condition of receiving medical assistance. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1108
SB 1248 (Gaines) – Partnership for Long Term Care Program
Revises provisions of the State Partnership for Long Term Care Program. Specifically, authorizes the Department of Health Care Services to certify a policy with a minimum $100 per diem benefit for a nursing facility, residential care facility, and home care and community based services if the policy provides a maximum lifetime benefit of at least $73,000. Requires. Requires insurers to provide an illustration of the differences in benefits between policies. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB1248

SB 1292 (Hueso) – Alzheimer’s Disease
Requires the Center for Healthy Communities to update the 2009 Alzheimer's Disease Facts and Figures in California to quantify the burden of Alzheimer’s disease on at-risk and underrepresented populations, including African Americans, Asian-Pacific Islanders, Latinos, Hispanics, and women. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB1292

HEALTH FACILITIES

AB 2204 (Gray) – Clinics: Licensure and Regulation: Exemption
Exempts from licensing provisions a clinic that is operated by a primary care community or free clinic, operated on separate premises from the licensed clinic, and only open for a maximum of 40 hours per week. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2204

SB 1280 (Roth) – Small House Skilled Nursing Facilities
Extends, from 2020 to 2026, the sunset on the Small House Skilled Nursing Facilities Pilot Program. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB1280
HOMELESSNESS

AB 2490 (Chiu) – Vital Records: Homeless Persons
Requires the State Registrar to issue, without a fee, a specified number of copies a year of a certified record of live birth to a person who can verify his or her status as a homeless person, or homeless child or youth. Provides discretionary authority for the State Registrar to provide additional copies. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2490

SB 1152 (Hernandez) – Hospital patient discharge process: homeless patients.
Requires each hospital to include a written homeless patient discharge planning policy and process within the hospital discharge policy. Requires a hospital to develop a written plan for coordinating services and referrals for homeless patients with the county behavioral health agency, health care and social service agencies in the region, health care providers, and nonprofit social service providers to assist with ensuring appropriate homeless patient discharge. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB1152

HOUSING

AB 686 (Santiago) – Housing discrimination: affirmatively further fair housing
Requires public agencies to administer their programs and activities relating to housing and community development in a manner to affirmatively further fair housing, and to not take any action that is materially inconsistent with this obligation. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB686
**AB 1771 (Bloom) – Planning and zoning: regional housing needs assessment.**
Authorizes members of the public to make an electronic request for the proposed methodology that furthers the objectives by a Regional Housing Needs Allocation Plan. Authorizes a local government to appeal to the Council of Governments for a revision of the share of the proposed regional housing need. Specifies criteria for the appeal. Requires the local Council of Governments to notify all other governments of all appeals. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1771

**AB 2035 (Mullin) Affordable Housing Authorities**
Establishes alternative purposes for which housing funds may be spent, including expending all housing funds for the development of very low income housing or for one or more activities relating to the rehabilitation, expansion, or construction of emergency shelters, supportive housing, or transitional housing, or any combination thereof. Authorizes an authority to issue bonds in conformity with the Housing Authorities Law and to finance water, sewer, and other public infrastructure necessary. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2035

**AB 2132 (Levine) – Building Permit Fees: Waiver**
Authorizes cities and counties to waive or reduce all building permit fees for improvements to the home of a person at least 60 years old with a qualifying disability if the improvements are made to accommodate that disability. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2132

**AB 2162 (Chiu) – Planning and Zoning: Supportive Housing**
Requires that supportive housing be a use by right in zones where multifamily and mixed uses are permitted, including nonresidential zones, if the proposed housing development meets specified criteria. Requires a
local government to approve a supportive housing development that complies with these requirements. Prohibits the local government from imposing any minimum parking requirement for units occupied by supportive housing residents under certain circumstances. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2162

AB 2219 (Ting) – Landlord Tenant: 3rd Party Payments
Requires a landlord to accept rent payments from a third party if the third party provides a signed acknowledgement that the third party is not the tenant and acceptance of the payment does not create a new tenancy. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2219

AB 2343 (Chiu) – Real Property: Possession: Unlawful Detainer
Changes the notice period in an unlawful detainer action to exclude judicial holidays, including Saturday and Sunday. Clarifies that the period in which a defendant may respond to a notice of summons in an action to obtain possession of real property does not include judicial holidays, including Saturday and Sunday. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2343

AB 2413 (Chiu) – Tenancy: Law Enforcement and Emergency Assistance
 Declares void, as contrary to public policy, a provision in a rental or lease agreement that limits or prohibits, or threatens to limit or prohibit, a tenant's, resident's, or other person's right to summon law enforcement assistance or emergency assistance as, or on behalf of, a victim of abuse, a victim of crime, or an individual in an emergency. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2413
**AB 2797 (Bloom) - Planning and Zoning: Density Bonus**
Requires that any density bonus, concessions, incentives, waivers, or reductions of the development standards, and parking ratios to which an applicant is entitled under the Density Bonus Law be permitted in a manner that is consistent with that law and the Coastal Act. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2797


**AB 2930 (Santiago) - Unlawful Detainer: Nuisance: Unlawful Weapons**
Extends, until 2024, two nuisance-eviction pilot programs, applicable in specific cities, that permit city attorneys and prosecutors to bring eviction proceedings against tenants for violations involving unlawful weapons (Los Angeles, Long Beach, Sacramento, and Oakland) and unlawful drugs or controlled substances (Long Beach, Sacramento, and Oakland). (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2930


**AB 3194 (Daly) – Housing Accountability Act: Project Approval**
Specifies that a proposed housing development project is not inconsistent with the applicable zoning standards and criteria, and would prohibit a local government from requiring a rezoning, if the housing development project is consistent with the objective general plan standards and criteria but the zoning for the project site is inconsistent with the general plan. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB3194


**SB 912 (Beall) – California Housing Finance Agency: Management Compensation**
Revises the list of key exempt management positions for which compensation is determined by the Board of Directors. Adds the director of enterprise risk management and compliance and the risk manager, and deletes the director of insurance and the financial risk management director. (DRC had a support position.)
SB 1078 (Committee on Transportation and Housing) – Housing
Amends the Planning and Zoning Law by deleting the reference to renters in specified provisions, thereby requiring the data assumptions from the Council of Governments projections to include the percentage of all households that are overcrowded. Revises the definition of the term planning period to correspond to housing element revisions. (DRC had no position.)

SB 1227 (Skinner) – Density Bonuses
Requires a density bonus to be provided to a developer that agrees to construct a housing development in which all units in the development will be used for students enrolled full time at an institution of higher education, and the developer enters into an agreement with an institution of higher education where a percentage of the units are used for lower income students, provided at a specified rent level, and provides priority for students experiencing homelessness. (DRC had a support position.)

 IHSS

AB 3082 (Gonzalez- Fletcher) – In-home supportive services.
Requires the Department of Social Services, in consultation with interested stakeholders, to develop, or otherwise identify, standard educational material about sexual harassment, to be made available to IHSS providers and recipients. Requires the Department to develop a proposed method for uniform data collection to identify the prevalence of sexual harassment in the IHSS program. (DRC had a support position.)
SB 857 (Budget & Fiscal Review Committee) – In-home Supportive Services: Provider Orientation
Provides for reopening existing memoranda of understanding between employee organizations and the county, public authority, or nonprofit consortium in Los Angeles, Merced and Orange counties to negotiate agreement on provider orientation.
(DRC had no position.)
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB857

SB 1040 (Dodd) – IHSS: Natural Disaster
Amends existing law relating to the Predevelopment Loan Fund. Requires first priority for those funds in providing disaster relief to also be given to fund housing for in home supportive services recipients. Specifies that an extraordinary circumstance may include a situation arising out of a natural disaster. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1040

IMMIGRATION

AB 2642 (Levine) – Guardianship: Special Immigrant Juveniles
Enacts provisions authorizing a nonprofit charitable corporation that was not incorporated in this state to be appointed as a guardian of a minor in connection with a petition regarding special immigrant juvenile status, if the nonprofit charitable corporation otherwise meets the requirements described above, is licensed by the state and is contracted by a specific federal office to provide care and custody for the minor. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2642

SB 785 (Wiener) – Evidence: Immigration Status
Prohibits, in certain civil actions, the disclosure of a person's immigration status in open court unless that party requests an in camera hearing and the presiding judge determines that the evidence is admissible. Applies the
same prohibition to criminal actions, but would also include a prohibition on the inclusion of a person's immigration status in public court records. (DRC had no position.)

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB785


LANGUAGE ACCESS

SB 1423 (Hernandez) – MediCal: Oral Interpretation Services
Modifies the minimum qualifications that an interpreter is required to possess to provide oral interpretation services to a limited English proficient beneficiary enrolled in either a managed care plan or a mental health plan. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1423


MEDI-CAL

AB 349 (McCarty) – Drug MediCal Treatment Program: Rate Setting Process
Amends existing law relating to the Drug MediCal Treatment Program with respect to the determination of the maximum allowable reimbursement rates for the Program and group outpatient drug free services. Requires the Department to adopt regulations and to provide semiannual reports until the regulations are adopted. (DRC had no position.)

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB349


AB 1785 (Nazarian) – Medi-Cal Eligibility: Assets
Excludes the principal and interest of a 529 college savings plan from consideration of any asset or resources test to determine eligibility for Medi-Cal benefits for an applicant or beneficiary whose eligibility is not determined using MAGI-based financial methods. Excludes qualified distributions from a 529 savings account from consideration for any income test to determine eligibility for Medi-Cal benefits. (DRC had a support position.)
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1785

**SB 1287 (Hernandez) – Medi-Cal: Medically necessary services**
Revises the MediCal definition of medically necessary for purposes of an individual under a certain age to incorporate the existing federal standards relating to Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment services. Requires the Department of Health Care Services and its contractors to update any model evidence of specified materials to ensure the medical necessity standard of coverage for individuals under a certain age is accurately reflected in all materials. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1287

**MENTAL HEALTH**

**AB 1215 (Weber) – Mental Health Service: Innovative Programs: Research**
Requires a county mental health program to consider research of the brain and its physical and biochemical processes that may have broad applications, but that have specific potential for understanding, treating, and managing mental illness, including, but not limited to, research through the CalBRAIN program or other collaborative, public private initiatives designed to map the dynamics of neuron activity. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1215

**AB 1893 (Maienshein) – Maternal Mental Health: Federal Funding**
Requires the Department of Public Health to investigate and apply for federal funding opportunities regarding maternal mental health. (DRC had a support position.)
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1893
**AB 1968 (Low) – Mental Health: Firearms**
Prohibits a person who has been taken into custody, assessed, and admitted to a
designated facility because he or she is a danger to himself, herself, or others, as a
result of a mental health disorder, and who was previously taken into custody and
admitted one or more times within a specified period prior to the recent admittance,
from owning a firearm for the remainder of his or her life. Allows such person to file
a petition in certain time intervals to show evidence otherwise. (DRC had an oppose
position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180
AB1968

**AB 2022 (Chu) – Pupil Mental Health Services: School Notification**
Requires a school of a school district, or county office of education, and a charter
school to notify pupils, and parents or guardians of pupils, no less than twice during
the school year, how to initiate access to available pupil mental health services on
campus or in the community, or both. Authorizes a county to use funds from the
Mental Health Services Act to provide a grant to a school of a district or county office
of education, or to a charter school. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180
AB2022

**AB 2099 (Gloria) – Mental Health: Detention and Evaluation**
Amends existing law relating to a person suffering from a mental health disorder
that requires an application in writing stating the circumstances under which the
person’s condition was called to the attention of the official who took the person
into custody. Requires a copy of that application to be treated as the original. (DRC had
a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180
AB2099

**AB 2193 (Maienschein) – Maternal Mental Health**
Requires a licensed health care practitioner who provides prenatal or postpartum
care for a patient to offer to screen, or to appropriately screen, a mother for maternal
mental health conditions. Requires health care
service plans and health insurers to develop, consistent with sound clinical principles and processes, a maternal mental health program by a specified date. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2193


AB 2315 (Quirk-Silva) – Pupil Health: Mental Health Services: Telehealth
Requires the Department of Education to develop guidelines for the use of telehealth technology in public schools, including charter schools, to provide mental health and behavioral health services to pupils on school campuses. Requires the Department to post the guidelines on its website. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2315


AB 2316 (Eggman) – Mental Health: County Patients' Rights Advocates
Requires a contracted entity to make patients' rights advocacy training materials readily accessible online. Requires a county to verify that its patients' rights advocates review the training materials within a certain number of days of employment. Requires a county to keep a record of the verification and send a copy to a specified entity. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2316


AB 2393 (Health Committee) – Mental Health
Prohibits a county from charging fees for Medi-Cal specialty mental health services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries who do not have a share of cost and beneficiaries who have met their share of cost. Authorizes a county to charge fees to individuals who are not beneficiaries and beneficiaries who have a share of cost that has not been met. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2393

**AB 2608 (Stone) – Licensed Mental Health Provider: Former Foster Youth**
Requires an account to be created within the Mental Health Practitioner Education Fund. Requires moneys in that account to be used solely to fund grants to repay educational loans for applicants who commit to practice certain mental health professions in specified facilities for a minimum number of months, and who were formerly in the state's foster youth care system. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2608

**AB 2661 (Arambula) – Mental health: sexually violent predators.**
Provides that if a person who is the subject of a petition for commitment is convicted of an offense that is not a sexually violent offense while in the custody of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation or the Department of State Hospitals prior to resolution of the commitment petition, the jurisdiction for the petition for commitment would remain with the county in which the person was convicted of the offense for which he or she was committed to the jurisdiction of the Department. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2661

**AB 2698 (Rubio) – State Preschool Programs: Mental Health Services.**
Requires the application of an adjustment factor for children, infants, and toddlers who are served in general child care and development and preschool programs, or children who are a specified age and are served in a family child care home education network setting funded by a general child care and development program, where early childhood mental health consultation services are provided. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2698
AB 2983 (Arambula) – Health care facilities: voluntary psychiatric care.
Prohibits a general acute care hospital or an acute psychiatric hospital from requiring a person, who voluntarily seeks care, to be in custody as a danger to himself, herself or others, or gravely disabled as a condition of accepting a transfer of that person after his or her written consent for treatment, and the transfer is documented or in the absence of evidence of probable cause for detention. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2983

AB 3032 (Frazier) – Maternal Mental Health Conditions
Requires a general acute care hospital or special hospital that has a perinatal unit to develop and implement a program relating to maternal mental health conditions including, but not limited to, postpartum depression. Requires the program to include, among other things, education and information about maternal mental health conditions for women, families, and hospital perinatal unit employees. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB3032

AB 3066 (Fraizer) - Mobilehome Residency Law Protection Act
Establishes the Mobilehome Residency Law Protection Program. Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to provide assistance in resolving and coordinating the resolution of complaints from homeowners relating to the Act. Requires the Department to assess upon, and collect from the management of a mobilehome park, an annual registration fee for each mobilehome located within the park. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB3066

SB 192 (Beall) – Mental Health Services Fund
Clarifies that the value of a prudent reserve for a Local Mental Health Services Fund shall not exceed a certain percent of the average community
services and support revenue received for the fund, in the preceding years. Requires the county to reassess the maximum amount of the prudent reserve periodically and to certify the reassessment as part of its program and expenditure plan required by the MHSA. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB192

**SB 1004 (Wiener) – Mental Health Services Act: prevention and early intervention**
Requires the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission to establish priorities for the use of prevention and early intervention funds and to develop a statewide strategy for monitoring implementation of prevention and early intervention services, including enhancing public understanding, creating metrics for assessing the effectiveness of how these funds are used, and measuring the outcomes that are achieved. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB1004

**SB 1045 (Wiener) – Conservatorship: Serious Mental Illness and substance use disorders**
Establishes a procedure, for the County of Los Angeles, the County of San Diego, and the City and County of San Francisco, for the appointment of a conservator for a person who is incapable of caring for the person's own health and well-being due to a serious mental illness and substance use disorder for the purpose of providing the least restrictive and most clinically appropriate alternative needed for the protection of the person. (DRC had an oppose position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB1045

**SB 1113 (Monning) – Mental Health in the Workplace: Voluntary Standards**
Authorizes the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission to establish a framework and voluntary standard for mental health in the workplace that serves to reduce mental health stigma, increase public, employee, and employer awareness of the recovery goals
of the Mental Health Services Act. Provides guidance to the state's employer community to put in place strategies and programs, determined by the Commission, to support the mental health and wellness of employees. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1113

SB 1363 (Moorlach) – Personal Income Tax: Contribution: Mental Illness
Allows an individual to designate on his or her tax return that an amount in excess of his or her personal income tax liability be transferred to the National Alliance on Mental Illness California Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund, which would be created by this bill. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1363

PUBLIC RECORDS

SB 1244 (Wieckowski) – Public Records: Disclosure
Amends the State Public Records Act. Requires a Superior Court to order the officer or person charged with withholding the records to disclose the public record or show cause why it should not be so. Requires the court to award court costs and attorney fees to a prevailing plaintiff or to a public agency if the case is found to be frivolous. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1244

PUBLIC SAFETY

AB 282 (Jones-Sawyer) – Suicide: Exemption from Prosecution
Prohibits a person whose actions are compliant with the End of Life Option Act from being prosecuted for deliberately aiding, advising, or encouraging suicide. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB282
Signed 09/05/2018. Eff. 01/01/2019. Chapter No. 2018-245.
AB 2944 (Jones-Sawyer) – Schools Not Prisons Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund
Allows an individual to designate on his or her tax return that an amount in excess of his or her personal income tax liability be transferred to the Schools Not Prisons Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund created by this bill. Requires the State Department of Education to comply with certain website reporting requirements. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2944

SB 960 (Leyva) – Department of Corrections: Suicide Prevention
Requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to submit an annual report with descriptions of progress toward meeting the Department's goals related to the completion of suicide risk evaluations, progress toward completion of treatment plans, and progress in identifying and implementing initiatives that are designed to reduce risk factors associated with suicide. Requires the report to be posted on the Department's website. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB960

STATE BAR
AB 3249 (Assembly Judiciary Committee) – State Bar Act: Attorneys: Discipline: Membership Fee
Authorizes the State Bar to collect voluntary fees or donations on behalf of the Conference of Delegates of State Bar Associations. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB3249
SUICIDE PREVENTION

AB 1436 (Levine) – Board Of Behavioral Sciences: Licensees: Training
Requires an applicant for licensure as a marriage and family therapist, an educational psychologist, a clinical social worker, or a professional clinical counselor to complete coursework or applied experience under supervision in suicide risk assessment and intervention. Requires that proof of compliance with requirements be certified under penalty of perjury and be retained for submission to the Board upon request. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB1436

SURFING

AB 1782 (Muratsuchi) – Surfing
Establishes surfing as the official state sport. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB1782

TRANSPORTATION

AB 1755 (Steinorth) – Bicycle Operation
Subjects a person riding a bicycle on a Class I bikeway to those rights and requirements of the Vehicle Code that apply if a person is involved in an accident resulting in injury or death of a person other than himself or herself. Provides that violation constitutes a crime. (DRC had no position.)
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB1755

AB 2989 (Flora) – Motorized Scooter: Use Of Helmet: Maximum Speed
Permits a local authority to authorize the operation of a motorized scooter on a highway with a speed limit of up to a specified speed and would additionally allow for operation of a motorized scooter on a highway with a higher speed limit if the motorized scooter is operated within a Class IV
bikeway. Specifies that the existing maximum speed limit applies regardless of a higher speed limit applicable to the highway. Requires an operator to wear a helmet only if they are under a specified age. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2989

TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES

AB 1184 (Ting) – San Francisco: Local Tax: TNCs: Autonomous Vehicles
Authorizes the City and County of San Francisco to impose a tax on each ride originating in the City or County provided by an autonomous vehicle, whether facilitated by a transportation network company or any other person, or by a participating driver. Authorizes the City and County to set a lower tax rate for net rider fares for a ride provided by a zero emission vehicle. Requires moneys collected from this tax to be dedicated to fund transportation operations and infrastructure. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1184

SB 1376 (Hill) – TNC: Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities
Requires the Public Utilities Commission, as part of its regulation of transportation network companies, to establish a program in a new or existing proceeding relating to accessibility for persons with disabilities, including wheelchair users who need a wheelchair accessible vehicle. Requires the Commission to begin conducting workshops with stakeholders, and to develop and provide recommendations regarding specified topics for programs for on demand services and partnerships. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1376
VETERANS

AB 2325 (Irwin) – County Mental Health Services: Veterans
Prevents a county from denying an eligible veteran mental or behavioral health services while waiting for determination of eligibility for, and availability of, mental or behavioral health services provided by the VA. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2325

AB 2568 (Gomez Reyes) – County Jails: Veterans
Requires county jails to, upon detention of a person, ask if the person has served in the United States military and document the person’s response. Requires that the county jail make this case summary information available to the person, his or her counsel, and the District Attorney. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2568
Signed 09/06/2018. Eff. 01/01/2018. Chapter No. 2018-281

VOTING

AB 216 (Gonzalez Fletcher) – Vote by mail ballots: identification envelopes: prepaid postage.
Clarifies that the elections official is required to deliver, to each qualified vote by mail applicant, an identification envelope for the return of the vote by mail ballot. Requires the identification envelope to have prepaid postage. DRC had a support position.)
https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB216

AB 1013 (Low) – Remote Accessible Vote by Mail System
Requires a county elections official to permit a voter with a disability, or a military or overseas voter, to cast his or her ballot using a certified remote accessible vote by mail system. Requirements would not apply to a county when conducting an all mailed ballot election. (DRC had a support position.)
AB 1678 (Berman) – Elections: Voter Registration Information: Security: Campaign Literature and Communications.
Requires the Secretary of State to adopt regulations describing best practices for storage and security of voter registration information received by an applicant. Requires a person or entity who has received voter registration information pursuant to an application to disclose a breach in the security of the storage of the information to the Secretary of State. Makes it a misdemeanor to cause to be distributed or to distribute misleading or false voting information to a voter. (DRC had no position.)


AB 2218 (Berman) – Vote by Mail Ballot Tracking
Requires the Secretary of State to establish a system that a county elections official may use to allow a vote by mail voter to track and receive information about his or her vote by mail ballot through the mail system and as the vote by mail ballot is processed by the county elections official. Requires the Secretary to make the system available for use by each county. (DRC had no position.)


AB 2540 (Mullin) – State Facilities: Vote Centers and Polling Places
Authorizes school buildings or other public buildings to also be used as vote centers beginning a certain number of days before the election and continuing through Election Day. Requires an elections official requesting such use to include a list of the buildings from which the use for polling places or vote centers is needed. (DRC had a support position.)

AB 2835 (Calderon) – Elections: Ballots
Expands the electronic touchscreen systems that qualify as ballots by eliminating the requirement that the systems not contain paper ballots if the votes are tabulated manually or by optical scanning equipment. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2835

SB 759 (McGuire) – Elections: Vote by Mail Ballots
Eliminates the prohibition on counting a vote by mail ballot that contains a signature that is unidentifiable. Requires the elections official to follow specified procedures to notify a voter and allow that voter an opportunity to verify his or her signature before certification of an election. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB759

SB 1171 (Stern) – Electors: Conditional Voter Registration
Revises the definition of elector, concerning voter registration laws, by deleting a 15 day residency requirement in the election precinct, thereby including a person who is eligible to complete a conditional voter registration within the definition of elector. Authorizes a county elections official to use a provisional ballot envelope as an affidavit of registration. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1171

WILDFIRE PREVENTION AND RECOVERY

AB 1772 (Aguiar-Curry) – Fire Insurance: Indemnity
Extends the minimum time from 24 months to 36 months during which an insurance policyholder is entitled to collect the full replacement cost of a loss relating to a state of emergency. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1772

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**AB 1919 (Wood) - Price Gouging: State of Emergency**
Amends the State Emergency Services Act. Requires the Office of Emergency Services, upon the proclamation or declaration of an emergency by the Governor, to include information of an emergency, as specified, to include guidance to property owners on an appropriate website. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB1919

**SB 821 (Jackson) – Emergency Notification: County Jurisdictions**
Authorizes counties to enter into an agreement to access the contact information of public utility customers for the sole purpose of enrolling county residents in a county-operated public emergency warning system. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB821

**SB 833 (McGuire) – Emergencies: Office of Emergency Services: Guidelines**
Requires the Office of Emergency Services, in consultation with specified stakeholders, to develop voluntary guidelines for altering and warning the public of an emergency. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB833

**YOUTH**

**AB 2337 (Gipson) – Nonminor Dependents**
Expands eligibility for extended foster care benefits to nonminors who have not yet reached 21 years of age and who would have received extended foster care benefits at age eighteen but for receiving Supplemental Security Income benefits or other similar federal aid in lieu of foster care payments. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2337
SB 918 (Wiener) – Homeless Youth Act of 2018
Requires the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to assume additional responsibilities, including setting goals aimed at preventing and ending homelessness among youth in the state, and defining measures and gathering data related to those goals. Requires the Council, in order to coordinate a spectrum of funding, policy, and practice efforts related to young people experiencing homelessness, to coordinate with stakeholders and provide technical assistance and program development support. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB918

MISCELLANEOUS

AB 1884 (Calderon) – Food Facilities: Single Use Plastic Straws
Prohibits a full-service restaurant from providing single use plastic straws to consumers unless requested by the consumer. Specifies that the first and second violations of these provisions would result in a notice of violation and any subsequent violation would be an infraction punishable by a fine for each day the full-service restaurant is in violation. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1884

AB 2400 (Kalra) – Personal Income Tax: Alzheimer's Disease Research
Provides for voluntary tax contribution funds for the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementia Research Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund. Requires the funds to be allocated to the State Department of Public Health to support eligible programs awarded grants under selection criteria established by the Department of Public Health’s Alzheimer's Disease Program. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2400
AB 2750 (Obernolte) – Certified Copies of Death Records
Expands the definition of authorized person for the purposes of furnishing a certified copy of a death record, to include, among others, an appointed conservator of a person or estate. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2750

SB 822 (Wiener) – Communications: broadband Internet access service.
Enacts the Internet Consumer Protection and Net Neutrality Act. Prohibits fixed and mobile Internet service providers that provide broadband Internet access service from engaging in specified actions concerning the treatment of Internet traffic. Prohibits blocking lawful content, applications, services, or nonharmful devices, impairing or degrading lawful Internet traffic on the basis of Internet content, application, or service, or use of a nonharmful device, and other specified practices. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB822

The following bills were vetoed:

ACCESSIBILITY

AB 2531 (Gallagher) - Operators of Computer-Aided Transcription Systems
Authorizes the Court Reporters Board to identify a certification process for operators of computer-aided transcription systems that is conducted by a state or national association. Requires the Board to adopt standards for certifying operators of computer-aided transcription. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2531
Vetoed 09/29/2018 – Veto Message:
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning AB 2531 without my signature. This bill would require the Court Reporters Board of California to identify a certification process and adopt standards for operators of computer-aided transcription
systems. I understand the importance of ensuring the deaf and hard of hearing have equal access to our judicial system. The burdens imposed on the Board by this bill, without authority for proper enforcement or funding, would make it difficult to achieve the author’s stated goal. Also, I don’t believe there has been sufficient evidence provided to warrant a new certification process for these operators.

**AB 2749 (Bonta) – State Agencies: State Entities: Internet Accessibility**
Requires state agency directors and information officers to post a signed certification on the homepage of its website that the site is mobile friendly. Prohibits a website that is intended for use by the public from becoming operational and continuing to be operational unless it is mobile friendly and accessible by persons with disabilities. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2749

Vetoed 09/22/2018 – Veto Message:

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2749 without my signature. This bill requires all state agencies to certify that their Internet web sites are mobile-friendly. I signed Assembly Bill 434 into law last year which requires all state agency websites to meet specified accessibility standards, including mobile accessibility. While I support the author's intent to ensure state websites are both accessible and mobile friendly, this bill is unnecessary.

**AB 2994 (Holden) – Building Standards: Public restroom stalls: Disability Access**
Requires the Division of the State Architect to review existing disability access standards for public restroom stalls and develop and propose to the Building Standards Commission for consideration updated standards on the required number of ambulatory accessible stalls in public restrooms. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2294

Vetoed 09/27/2018 – Veto Message:

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2994 without my signature. This bill requires the Division of the State Architect to develop and propose to the
California Building Standards Commission, updated standards on the required number of ambulatory accessible stalls in public restrooms. California's existing accessibility standards exceed the federal requirements and are often regarded as a national model. This bill requires the State Architect to review the existing standards, and regardless of the outcome, provide additional ones. I don't think that's warranted.

**CalFRESH**

**AB 2152 (Weber) – CalFresh: Able Bodied Adults Without Dependents**
Requires the Department of Social Services to define the term “food insecurity,” to develop a tool that would screen for food insecurity and other basic needs deprivation, and to issue guidance that includes a copy of the screening tool and instruction for verifying when a person is “unfit for employment.” (DRC had no position.)

[http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2152](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2152)

**Vetoed 09/14/2018 – Veto Message:**

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2152 without my signature. This bill would require the Department of Social Services to develop a hunger screening tool to assist in the determination of whether CalFresh recipients may be exempted from time limitations on benefits. CalFresh is a federally-funded nutrition benefit program which includes work requirements and exemptions prescribed by federal rules. Instead of codifying state policies in this program, I urge the department and counties to continue to work together to ensure those facing extreme hunger have access to these benefits.

**SB 926 (Skinner) - CalWORKs and CalFresh: Work Requirements**
Prohibits sanctions from being applied for a failure or refusal to comply with work requirements if the recipient provides documentation that scheduled hours are unpredictable and that the recipient cannot anticipate compliance with program requirements related to the job, or if the recipient self-certifies that the employment does not comply with the Healthy Workplaces, Healthy Families Act. (DRC had no position.)
To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 926 without my signature. This bill defines certain good cause exemptions for CalWORKs and CalFresh recipients who could otherwise be sanctioned for failing to work. This bill is unnecessary because existing law provides county welfare departments with broad authority to grant good cause exemptions from work requirements to ensure recipients are not unjustly penalized.

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

SB 399 (Portantino) - Health Care Coverage: Pervasive Developmental Disorder
Expands the definition of a qualified autism service professional to include behavioral service providers who meet specified educational and professional or work experience qualifications. Requires an intervention plan, when clinically appropriate, to include parent or caregiver participation individual to the patient and includes certain factors. (DRC had a support position.)

To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 399 without my signature. This bill would revise qualification standards for providers of behavioral health treatment for individuals with autism. Standards for autism providers were updated last year. I'm not inclined to revise them again.

EDUCATION

AB 1951 (O’Donnell) - Pupil Assessments: Pathways to College Act
Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to approve a nationally recognized high school assessment that a local education agency may choose to administer in lieu of the consortium summative assessment in English language arts and mathematics. (DRC had no position.)
Vetoed 09/28/2018 – Veto Message:

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 1951 without my signature. This bill requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to approve one or more nationally recognized high school assessments that a local school may administer in lieu of the state-administered high school summative assessment, commencing with the 2019-20 school year. Since 2010, California has eliminated standardized testing in grades 9 and 10 and the high school exit exam. While I applaud the author's efforts to improve student access to college and reduce "testing fatigue" in grade 11, I am not convinced that replacing the state's high school assessment with the Scholastic Aptitude Test or American College Test achieves that goal. Our K-12 system and our public universities are now discussing the possible future use of California's grade 11 state assessment for college admission purposes. This is a better approach to improving access to college for under-represented students and reducing "testing fatigue".

AB 2168 (Thurmond) – Special Education: Teachers: Grant Program
Establishes a statewide framework for training and supporting qualified mentor teachers who will be supporting the new statewide influx of special education teachers. (DRC had a support position.)

Vetoed 09/20/2018 – Veto Message:

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2168 without my signature. This bill establishes the Special Education Teacher Grant program for the purpose of retaining and mentoring special education teachers. While I support the need to retain and support special education teachers, I cannot support this bill. The 2018 Budget Act includes $50 million Proposition 98 General Fund for the Local Solutions Grant Program for schools to develop and implement new, or expand existing, locally identified solutions that recruit, support and retain special education teachers.
teachers. Nothing in the grant language prohibits schools from providing mentors for special education teachers.

**AB 2691 (Jones-Sawyer) – Trauma Informed Schools Initiative**
Establishes the Trauma Informed Schools Initiative to address the impact of adverse childhood experiences on the educational outcomes of state pupils. Establishes requirements for implementation, including developing and posting online a website with information regarding the trauma informed care approach and a guide created by the Department for public schools, including charter schools, on how to become trauma informed schools. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2691

**Vetoed 09/20/2018 – Veto Message:**
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2691 without my signature. This bill would establish the ”Trauma-Informed Schools Initiative” within the Department of Education at state headquarters ”to address the impact of ACEs on the educational outcomes of California pupils”. It’s a no brainer that our schools should be sensitive to the unique and diverse characteristics of all students. With that goal in mind, I have signed dozens of bills that have sought to ensure that all our students are free from discrimination, bullying, or any other form of disrespect. While this bill is intended to do good, I am alarmed by the amount of jargon it creates and the inevitable labeling it will encourage. The issues here are best handled by local schools -- and in plain English.

**SB 328 (Portantino) – Pupil Attendance: School Start Time**
Requires the school day for middle schools and high schools, including those operated as charter schools, to begin no earlier 8:30 a.m. with an exception for rural school districts. Encourages the Department of Education to post specified information on its web site, including research on the impact of sleep deprivation on adolescents and the benefits of a later school start time, and to advise school districts of this posting. (DRC had no position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB328

**Vetoed 09/20/2018 – Veto Message:**
To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 328 without my signature. This bill would prohibit middle and high schools from starting earlier than 8:30 in the morning, unless in a rural area. This is a one-size-fits-all approach that is opposed by teachers and school boards. Several schools have already moved to later start times. Others prefer beginning the school day earlier. These are the types of decisions best handled in the local community.

SB 354 (Portantino) – Special Education: Individualized Education Programs: Translation
Requires translation of IEP documents in the parent’s native language upon request. Enhances existing translation requirements by applying the requirement to the IEP planning process. (DRC sponsored this bill.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180
SB354
Vetoed 09/26/2018 – Veto Message:

To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 354 without my signature. This bill requires local schools, upon a parent's request, to translate a student's individualized education program (IEP) and other related documents prepared as part of their special education services in the native language of the parent within 30 days of the IEP meeting. I cannot support this bill. Current law requires that non-English speaking parents understand their child's IEP, and in fact gives parents the right to have an interpreter present at their child's IEP meetings. To the extent that this is not sufficient, I think the remedy is best handled at the local school district.

SB 607 (Skinner) – Pupil Discipline: Suspensions and Expulsions: Defiance.
Prohibits suspension for willful defiance in grades K-8 and prohibits expulsion for willful defiance in grades K-12. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180
SB607
Vetoed 09/30/2018 – Veto Message:

To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 607 without my signature. This bill would permanently eliminate the authority to suspend or recommend for expulsion a student in grades 4-5 who willfully disrupts school activities or defies the valid
authority of school officials, and prohibits -- until July 1, 2023 -- the suspension of a student in grades 6-8 for that same misconduct. These prohibitions would apply to charter schools. Teachers and principals are on the front lines educating our children and are in the best position to make decisions about order and discipline in the classroom. That's why I vetoed a similar bill in 2012. In addition, I just approved $15 million in the 2018 Budget Act to help local schools improve their disciplinary practices. Let's give educators a chance to invest that money wisely before issuing any further directives from the state.

**FOSTER CARE**

**AB 2043 (Arambula) – Foster children and youth: family urgent response system.**
Requires the Department of Social Services to establish a statewide hotline as the entry point for a Family Urgent Response System to respond to calls from caregivers of current or former foster youth when a crisis arises. Requires the Department to collect data and publish a report on their website. Requires county child welfare, probation, and behavioral health agencies to establish a county based Family Urgent Response System. (DRC had a support position.)

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Vetoed 09/27/2018 – Veto Message:

To the Members of the California State Assembly and Senate: I am returning the following five bills without my signature: AB 2043 AB 2342 AB 2593 SB 1125 SB 1148. Each of these bills require significant, ongoing general fund commitments. As such, I believe they should be considered as part of the budget process.

**HEALTHCARE**

**AB 11 (McCarty) – EPSDT Program: Screening Services**
Increases and enhances child developmental screenings and reporting consistent with federal laws. (DRC had no position.)

[leginfo.ca.gov](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB11)

Vetoed 09/21/2018 – Veto Message:
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 11 without my signature. This bill would require developmental screening of children from birth to age three in Medi-Cal and impose annual reporting requirements to assess managed care plan compliance. The Medi-Cal State Plan already requires providers to screen children for developmental delays according to the schedule recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics. Codifying this requirement and producing another costly report is not necessary.

**AB 2122 (Reyes) – Medi-Cal: Blood Lead Screening Tests**
Requires the Department of Health Care Services to ensure that a child enrolled in MediCal receives blood lead screening tests at specified ages, or at any time at which the child is identified as having a high risk of lead exposure. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2122
Vetoed 09/22/2018 – Veto Message:
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2122 without my signature. This bill would set statewide goals for blood lead level screening tests for children in Medi-Cal and require the Department of Health Care Services to ensure these goals are met. Lead exposure in children is a serious health concern and I share the author's desire to increase the number of Medi-Cal children who are screened. The department, however, already requires in its contracts with managed care plans and providers that children receive screenings in accordance with federal and state regulations. Updated and more thorough data on periodic screening tests is being developed with the Department of Public Health to assist in tracking compliance. I believe the department should continue its current efforts working with managed care plans, health care providers and public health officials to determine what additional policies and practices may be necessary to improve screening rates.

**AB 2275 (Arambula) – Medi-Cal Managed Care: Quality Assessment**
Requires the Department of Health Care Services to establish a quality assessment and performance improvement program for all Medi-Cal managed care plans. Requires the plans to meet a minimum performance
level that improves quality and reduces health disparities for beneficiaries. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2275

Vetoed 09/10/2018 – Veto Message:

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2275 without my signature. This bill would require the Department of Health Care Services to establish a quality assessment and performance improvement program for Medi-Cal managed care plans. The department, however, is required by federal law to have an external organization conduct periodic quality reviews of its managed care program. The department also requires extensive plan-specific quality improvement projects. Adopting these statutory requirements will duplicate current efforts while adding significant costs to Medi-Cal.

AB 2384 (Arambula) – Medication Assisted Treatment
Requires a health insurer or a health care service plan, including a MediCal managed care plan, to cover, at a minimum, at least one version of each medication assisted treatment, relapse prevention, and overdose reversal approved prescription drug for opioid use disorder without utilization review restrictions by health plans. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB2384

Vetoed 09/23/2018 – Veto Message:

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2384 without my signature. This bill requires health plans to cover at least one version of each drug used in medication assisted treatment for opioid disorders and restricts health plans' ability to manage the utilization of these drugs. While the drugs specified in this bill are useful to treat opioid addiction, I'm not willing to eliminate requirements that may be in the best interest of patients.
SB 1125 (Atkins) – Federally qualified health center and rural health clinic services
Authorizes reimbursement for two visits to a federally qualified health center (FQHC) or rural health clinic (RHC) on a single day at a single location, if after the first visit the patient suffers illness or injury requiring additional diagnosis or treatment, or if the patient has a medical visit and a mental health visit or a dental visit. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1125
Vetoed 09/27/2018 – Veto Message:
To the Members of the California State Assembly and Senate: I am returning the following five bills without my signature: AB 2043 AB 2342 AB 2593 SB 1125 SB 1148. Each of these bills require significant, ongoing general fund commitments. As such, I believe they should be considered as part of the budget process.

IHSS

AB 1909 (Nazarian) – In-home supportive services: written content translation.
Clarifies that the Department of Social Services is required to provide translations of written content in languages spoken by a substantial number of providers of in-home supportive services in the state. Permits the Department to work with counties and the County Welfare Directors Association to repurpose existing, county produced translations of written content. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180AB1909
Vetoed 09/30/2018 – Veto Message:
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 1909 without my signature. This bill would require the Department of Social Services to translate all written documents and materials for providers in the in-home supportive services (IHSS) program. Materials in this program are translated by counties with the assistance of the department. I believe current arrangements are working reasonably well and should be continued.
AB 2872 (Carrillo) – In-Home Supportive Services: Peer to Peer Training
Requires the State Department of Social Services, in consultation with employee representative organizations, to adopt a process to compensate providers of in-home supportive services for conducting peer-to-peer training. Makes attendance at the training voluntary. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2872
Vetoed 09/29/2018 – Veto Message:
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2872 without my signature. This bill would establish a peer-to-peer training course for In-Home Supportive Services providers and require those providers who conduct the training to be compensated. This bill is unnecessary because IHSS providers are currently required to attend a training program that covers virtually the same subjects listed in this bill.

LANGUAGE

AB 3179 (Salas) – State Agencies: Bilingual Services
Modifies the definition of substantial number of non-English-speaking people under the Dymally-Alatorre Bilingual Services Act to mean members of a group who either do not speak English, or who are unable to effectively communicate in English because it is not their native language, and who comprise 3% or more of the people served by the statewide or any local office or facility of a state agency. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB3179
Vetoed 09/22/2018 – Veto Message:
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 3179 without my signature. This bill would require state agencies to provide access to bilingual employees and translated materials for non-English speakers if those individuals constitute 3% of the population served. This bill has a potential cost of $77 million a year and is more properly considered as part of the budget process.
**MEDI-CAL**

**AB 2233 (Kalra) - MediCal: Assisted Living Waiver Program**
Requires the Department of Health Services to submit, to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, a request for renewal of the Assisted Living Waiver Program, with specified amendments. Requires, as part of the amendments, additional slots in the existing waiver counties, expansion of the program beyond those counties on a regional basis, and modification to the provider reimbursement tiers while also maintaining the program's budget neutral provisions. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2233

**Vetoed 09/29/2018 – Veto Message:**

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2233 without my signature. This bill would require a significant expansion of the Assisted Living Waiver program in Medi-Cal. This program was expanded in this year's budget. Any further changes should be considered in next year's budget.

**AB 2299 (Chu) – MediCal: Managed Care Plans: Informational Materials**
Requires the Department of Health Care Services to ensure that all written health education and informing materials in managed care contracts are at or below the sixth-grade reading level for English and for threshold language translations. (DRC had a support position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2299

**Vetoed 09/19/2018 – Veto Message:**

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2299 without my signature. This bill would require the Department of Health Care Services to ensure all written health education and informational materials provided by Medi-Cal managed care plans to their beneficiaries are translated at or below the sixth grade reading level. I signed legislation last year to codify the Affordable Care Act's language access provisions into state law. Furthermore, the department requires its plans to provide written materials in an easily understood and readily accessible format. Current law and contractual practice are sufficient to compel plans to
make these important health care documents understandable for Medi-Cal beneficiaries.

SB 1148 (Pan) – Medi-Cal restorative dental services.
Authorizes a provider of services for the treatment of dental caries to provide, and receive reimbursement for, the application of silver diamine fluoride when used as a caries arresting agent, if the provider first consults with the beneficiary and obtains written informed consent, and if the treatment is included as part of a comprehensive treatment plan. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 SB1148
Vetoed 09/27/2018 – Veto Message:
To the Members of the California State Assembly and Senate: I am returning the following five bills without my signature: AB 2043 AB 2342 AB 2593 SB 1125 SB 1148. Each of these bills require significant, ongoing general fund commitments. As such, I believe they should be considered as part of the budget process.

MENTAL HEALTH

AB 2143 (Caballero) – Licensed Mental Health Service Provider Education
Expands the Licensed Mental Health Service Provider Education Program to apply to eligible persons who attain further education in order to practice as psychiatric mental health nurse practitioners and physician assistants who work in psychiatric mental health settings, thereby allowing those practitioners to apply for educational loan reimbursement grants. (DRC had no position.)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180 AB2143
Vetoed 09/17/2018 – Veto Message:
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2143 without my signature. This bill would expand eligibility for educational loan reimbursement grants, through the Licensed Mental Health Provider Education Program, to mental health providers who further their education to become physician assistants or nurse practitioners in mental health facilities. Physician assistants and nurse practitioners are already eligible for educational
loan repayment grants under the state's Advanced Healthcare Loan Repayment Program. Unfortunately, the loan repayment fund referenced in this bill lacks the necessary funding to pay for the hundreds of applications it currently receives. Adding more applicants as this bill requires just compounds the problem.

**SB 906 (Beall) - Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder: Peer Support**
Requires the Department of Health Care Services to establish peer support specialist certification to support the ongoing provision of services to individuals experiencing mental health care needs, substance use disorder needs, or both. Provides that the certification would include a process for the investigation of complaints and corrective action. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB906

**Vetoed 09/29/2018 – Veto Message:**

To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 906 without my signature. This bill requires the Department of Health Care Services to establish a certificate program for peer support specialists in Medi-Cal. Currently, peer support specialists are used as providers in Medi-Cal without a state certificate. This bill imposes a costly new program which will permit some of these individuals to continue providing services but shut others out. I urge the stakeholders and the department to improve upon the existing framework while allowing all peer support specialists to continue to work.

**SB 968 (Pan) – Postsecondary Education: Mental Health Counselors**
Requires the Trustees of CSU and requests the Regents of the UC, to hire one full time equivalent mental health counselor per 1,500 students. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB968

**Vetoed 09/23/2018 – Veto Message:**

To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 968 without my signature. The bill would prescribe a minimum
mental health counselor-to-student ratio at all the campuses of the California State University system, and request the University of California to implement the same ratio on its campuses. Investing greater resources in student mental health is an understandable goal. Such investments, however, should be actively considered and made within the budget process. Moreover, specific ratios should remain within the purview of the boards or with local campuses, rather than dictated by the state.

**SB 1019 (Beall) – Youth Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services**
Requires the Health Facilities Financing Authority and the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission, when making funds available for crisis services for children and youth, to allocate a specified portion of those funds to local educational agency and mental health partnerships. Requires this funding to be made available to support prevention, early intervention, and direct services. (DRC had a support position.)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201720180SB1019

**Vetoed 09/29/2018 – Veto Message:**

To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 1019 without my signature. This bill would require the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission to allocate at least half of its triage grant funds to local education and mental health partnerships. The bill as written would limit the Commission's authority to exercise its judgment in the distribution of these grants. I believe the better practice would be to leave this matter to the Commission.

**PATIENT RIGHTS ADVOCATES**

**AB 2317 (Eggman) – Whistleblower Protection: Patients’ Rights Advocates**
Extends whistleblower protections to individuals and entities that have contracts with state or local government to oversee compliance with patients’ rights in county mental health treatment facilities (DRC had a support position.)
Vetoed 09/19/2018 – Veto Message:

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 2317 without my signature. This bill would extend whistleblower protections afforded to employees to patients' rights advocates regardless of whether they are an employee, an independent contractor, or a business entity. While I am supportive of the larger policy goal of this bill, to protect the work of patient rights advocates, this is not the appropriate framework. The bill would expand the Labor Commissioner's jurisdiction beyond the typical employer-employee relationship into larger contract disputes between independent contractors and local governments. I do not believe such a broad change in law is warranted when there is limited evidence of a problem.

SERVICE ANIMALS

AB 1865 (Lackey) – Guide, signal, and service dogs: injury or death. Expands the situations in which an individual can be charged with causing injury to, or the death of, any guide, signal, or service dog, and adds the medical bills and lost wages of the owner to the existing list of recoverable restitution costs. (DRC had a support position.)

Vetoed 09/27/2018 – Veto Message:

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 1865 without my signature. This bill would expand the definition of a guide, signal or service dog for purposes of charging certain crimes. It would also make the owner of a dog that is injured or killed due to a criminal act eligible for victim compensation regardless of whether the dog was performing its duties at the time. In 2016 I vetoed AB 1824 (Chang), which, like this bill, would have expanded the scope of certain crimes against guide dogs, and would allow for victims compensation in those instances. That bill also lowered the standard for convicting an individual who causes injury or death to such a dog. While this bill does not lower the standard for conviction, it nonetheless expands the scope of several crimes.
without commensurate evidence that this is needed. Moreover, the existing provisions allowing compensation for crimes against service dogs have been in place for over three years and have not resulted in a single eligible claim. No claim has been denied because a dog was not in the performance of its duties at the time of a crime—the subject matter of this bill. Accordingly I don't believe the proposed changes are warranted.
Unless provided in the act, statutes enacted by a bill passed by the Legislature on or before the first year joint recess go into effect the following January 1st. Statutes enacted in the 2nd year of Regular Session go into effect January 1st following a 90-day period from the enactment date. Special Session laws are effective 91 days after session adjourns (1st yr. excl. redistricting acts). Urgency measures take effect immediately after they are signed or after they are allowed to become law without signature. Urgency statutes are those necessary for immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety and must be passed with a two thirds vote. Cal. Const. Art. 4 Sec 8. Effective dates are noted. [Return to Main Document]

Surfing is one of the oldest practiced sports in the world, and one of the few sports that has created its own culture and lifestyle. The act of riding waves with a wooden board originated in Western Polynesia over three thousand years ago. The first surfers were fishermen who discovered riding waves as an efficient method of getting to shore with their catch. The original Polynesian settlers to land in Hawaii were likely skilled in simple surfing, and after a few hundred years of riding the waves, the well-known Hawaiian form of the sport emerged.

Over the past century, California has provided great leaps and advancements in surfing technology that has enabled the sport to spread around the world. From lighter, more hydrodynamic boards, to wave forecasting, to wetsuits that expanded surfing into colder climates, much of that technology came from the military and aerospace research going on at Caltech and throughout the California's university system.

Additionally, California has been instrumental in the national and worldwide popularization of surfing and surf culture. Examples include Gidget, a 1959 film about a teenager’s initiation into the California surf culture which is often cited for bringing surfing to mainstream America; Beach Party, a 1963 film about an anthropologist secretly studying Southern California teenagers who hang out at the beach and use strange surfing jargon, which created the beach party film genre; and the Beach Boys, a Southern California band that gained national prominence in 1963 with a string of top-ten hits off their first album, Surfin’ Safari, which reflected the California youth culture and surfing, later dubbed the "California Sound."

Today California is home to a number of world-famous surf breaks up and down the coast from La Jolla to Leo Carrillo, and up to Pismo. A number of these surf breaks are also the ancestral homeland for indigenous peoples, including many who continue to live in these homelands and have embraced surfing in these areas. Additionally, California annually hosts numerous domestic and international surfing events, and is home to the Surfers’ Hall of Fame, the International Surfing Museum, and the California Surf Museum. In 2028, Los Angeles will host the Summer Olympics, which will feature surfing as a competitive event for the first time during the 2020 Olympics in Japan.

Further inland, California recently hosted the World Surf League's Founders' Cup at the Surf Ranch in Lemoore, more than 100 miles from the nearest beach. An estimated 5,000 attended the event and witnessed what a number of people in the surf industry have described as the perfect wave, a 700-yard long artificial wave created by a moving 100-ton hydrofoil in a man-made lagoon in the middle of California's Central Valley.

California's 1,100-mile coastline boasts the largest ocean economy in the nation with a gross state product of approximately $41.9 billion. Annually, surfers spend between $1.9 and $3.3 billion on local surf trips, and the surf industry, based almost exclusively in California, generates over $6 billion in United States annual retail sales.

See also, SCR 122 (Nguyen) designating September 20 of each year as California Surfing Day. Chaptered by the Secretary of State 5/21/18. Resolution Chapter No. 2018-68. [Return to Main Document]
There is a larger packet of bills relating to wildfire prevention and recovery that can be viewed at the following web link. https://www.gov.ca.gov/2018/09/21/governor-brown-signs-legislation-to-strengthen-wildfire-prevention-and-recovery/ [Return to Main Document]