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Honorable Blanca Rubio  
Chair, Human Services Committee  
California State Assembly  
Capitol Building, Room 5175  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**RE: AB 2030 (LIMON) – SUPPORT**

Dear Assembly Member Rubio:

Disability Rights California (DRC), a non-profit advocacy organization that advances and protects the rights of Californians with disabilities, **supports AB 2030**. This bill is scheduled for hearing in the Assembly Human Services Committee on March 20, 2018.

Longstanding state and federal law prohibit disability-based discrimination by state and local governmental entities. The same law requires that governmental entities provide reasonable modifications in policies and practices to people with disabilities to ensure that they have equal access to government services. However, as is often the case, there is not clear direction on ensuring that reasonable accommodations are made in the delivery of state and local services and benefits.

AB 2030 requires that the Department of Social Services make an inquiry into the applicant's need for an accommodation by including questions in the application and then provide a notice on the first page of the applicant's file to inform the applicant's caseworker of the applicant's need for an accommodation. This seemingly simple process can provide a very important process for informing applicants of their right to an accommodation and put the caseworkers on notice that an accommodation

is required. This will provide an important procedure for ensuring that state and county departments delivering CalWORKs services will deliver them equally to persons with disabilities.

For these reasons, DRC supports this bill. Please contact me if you have any questions about our position or if I can provide any further information.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Curtis Child". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Curtis" and last name "Child" clearly distinguishable.

Curtis Child  
Legislative Director  
Disability Rights California

cc: Honorable Monique Limon, California State Assembly  
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