July 30, 2018

Honorable Lorena S. Gonzalez Fletcher
Chair, Appropriations Committee
California State Assembly
Capitol Building, Room 2114
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 1191 (HUESO) as amended July 5, 2018 – SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Gonzalez Fletcher:

Disability Rights California (DRC), a non-profit advocacy organization that advances and protects the rights of Californians with disabilities, supports SB 1191. This bill is scheduled for hearing in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

This bill makes an important addition to current law by ensuring that law enforcement and adult protective services agencies have recent and critical information in their policy manuals on understanding the legal definition of abuse and neglect.

Although the bill has been amended since leaving the Senate, the amendments do not appear to change anything in a manner that would add any significant costs. The bill moved to the Senate Floor pursuant to Senate Rule 28.8 and should not be held up in the Assembly’s fiscal committee.
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.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

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