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Honorable Ed Chau
Chair, Privacy and Consumer Protection Committee
California State Assembly
Capitol Building, Room 5016
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 1274 (MCGUIRE) as amended June 6, 2018 – SUPPORT

Dear Assembly Member Chau:

Disability Rights California (DRC), a non-profit advocacy organization that advances and protects the rights of Californians with disabilities, **supports SB 1274**. This bill is scheduled for hearing in the Assembly Privacy and Consumer Protection Committee on June 19, 2018.

SB 1274 requires the State Department of Social Services (DSS) to provide the eligibility and enrollment data for the CalWORKs, CalFresh, and Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment programs to the State Department of Developmental Services (DDS). This requirement is for the purposes of monitoring and evaluating employment outcomes to determine the effectiveness of the Employment First Policy and to support consumers in the achievement of competitive integrated employment. This measure builds upon AB 1696, which was signed last year, and authorized the Employment Development Department (EDD) to disclose specified wage related information to assist DDS to achieve the same goals.

California's Employment First Policy directs the state to make opportunities for competitive integrated employment a clear priority. Collecting the additional data from DSS, as required by this bill, creates another means to monitor and measure progress towards competitive integrated employment

and assists in developing effective strategies to improve employment outcomes for Californians with intellectual and developmental 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.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Evelyn M. Abouhassan".

Evelyn Abouhassan
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