2019 Selected Signed and Vetoed Bills Affecting Persons with Disabilities

INTRODUCTION

The first year of the 2019-20 legislative session came to an end on October 13, the deadline for Governor Newsom to sign or veto bills passed by the legislature. In the first year of the 2019-2020 legislative session 2,576 bills were introduced (not including constitutional amendments and resolutions). Over one-half of those bills either died in the legislature or were made two-year bills which are eligible to be considered in 2020. Of those introduced bills 1,042 made it to the Governor’s desk. The Governor signed 870 bills and vetoed 172 (16.5%). See, How Often do Governors Say No, California Senate Office of Research, October 2019, for a historical analysis: https://sor.senate.ca.gov/sites/sor.senate.ca.gov/files/SOR%20report%20governors%20veto%20record%2009.19%20CEQA%20ED.PDF

Over the course of the 2019 legislative year, the Disability Rights California Legislation Unit formally analyzed or reviewed 422 bills, resolutions and constitutional amendments in 56 subject areas and took either a support or oppose position on 165 of them and monitored the remainder throughout the year. The majority of the bills were in the health, housing, intellectual/developmental disabilities, mental health, public safety and voting issue areas. A summary of the subjects and number of bills DRC monitored is also included.

This year, Disability Rights California sponsored or cosponsored thirteen bills. Six of them made it to the Governor’s desk. Of the remaining bills, the contents of two of them were included in the 2019-20 Budget Act and
accompanying trailer bills, one died in the Assembly Appropriations Committee, and five were made two-year bills which are eligible to be considered in the 2020 legislative year. Three of the bills sent to the Governor were signed and three were vetoed. The DRC bills signed or vetoed are included within this summary.

This summary is intended to highlight selected enacted bills affecting persons with disabilities and includes the reasons provided by the Governor for the bills he vetoed.
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Signed Bills:

Abuse/Neglect

**AB 328 (Maienschein) – Estates and Trusts: Undue Influence**
Subjects to the presumption of fraud or undue influence a gift made to a care custodian who commenced a marriage, cohabitation, or domestic partnership with a transferor who is a dependent adult while providing services to that dependent adult, or within 90 days after those services were last provided to the dependent adult, if the donative transfer occurred less than 6 months after the marriage, cohabitation, or domestic partnership commenced.

[link](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB328)
Signed 06/26/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-10

**AB 1396 (Obernolte) – Protective Orders: Elder and Dependent Access**
Authorizes the court to order a restrained party, if appropriate, to participate in mandatory clinical counseling or anger management courses when the court issues a protective order for abuse involving acts of physical abuse or acts of deprivation by a care custodian of goods or services that are necessary to avoid physical harm or mental suffering.

[link](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB1396)

**SB 303 (Wieckowski) – Guardians and Conservators**
Authorizes a conservator to sell the present or former residence of the conservatee, if the sale provides specified benefits and the guardian or conservator complies with applicable procedures and provides required notice. Authorizes the sale of a conservatee's present or former personal residence only if the court finds by clear and convincing evidence that the conservator demonstrated a compelling need to sell the residence for the benefit of the conservatee. (DRC had a support position)

[link](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB303)
SB 304 (Hill) – Criminal Procedure: Jurisdiction: Elder Abuse Cases
Creates an authority for the prosecution of specified financial elder abuse felony offenses occurring in multiple jurisdictions.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB304

SB 314 (Dodd) – Elders and Dependent Adults: Abandonment
Extends specified remedies under the Elder Abuse and Dependent Adult Civil Protection Act, to cases in which the defendant is liable for abandonment, as defined, and specified conditions have been met.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB314
Signed 06/26/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-21

SB 338 (Hueso) – Senior and Disability Victimization: Law Enforcement
Eliminates the duty imposed on long term care ombudsman programs to revise or include in their policy manuals specified information regarding elder and dependent adult abuse. Authorizes local law enforcement agencies to adopt a policy regarding senior and disability victimization that includes specified provisions, including enforcement and training.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB338

SB 398 (Durazo) – Protection and Advocacy Agency
Makes various changes to the Protection and Advocacy Agency's access to facilities, programs, and records by, among other things, authorizing the Agency to exercise the authority to take certain actions, if the Agency receives a complaint or report of alleged abuse or neglect, or makes a related determination. (DRC sponsored this bill)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB398

SB 496 (Moorlach) – Financial Abuse of Elder or Dependent Adults
Expands the category of mandated reporters of suspected financial abuse to include a broker-dealer and an investment adviser. Authorizes a broker-dealer or investment adviser who makes a report to notify any trusted
contact person who had previously been designated by the elder or dependent adult of any known or suspected financial abuse.  
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB496  
Signed 09/06/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-272

Accessibility

**AB 1100 (Kamlager-Dove) – Electric Vehicles: Parking Requirements**  
Requires a parking space served by electric vehicle supply equipment and a parking space designated as a future electric vehicle charging space to be counted as a least one standard automobile parking space for the purpose of complying with any applicable minimum parking requirements established by a local jurisdiction. Requires an accessible parking space with an access aisle serviced by electric vehicle supply equipment.  
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB1100  

Alcohol/Drugs

**AB 919 (Petrie-Norris) - Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Recovery Treatment Program**  
Requires the Department of Health Care Services to establish an enforcement program focused on the duties to enforce provisions that prohibit persons working at an alcoholism or drug abuse treatment facility from giving or receiving anything of value for referrals. Requires staff of the enforcement program to provide the Department with analytical support, general oversight and monitoring, and legal guidance regarding those provisions.  
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB919  

Blindness

**AB 947 (Quirk-Silva) - Visually Impaired Pupils: Expanded Core Curriculum**  
Expresses legislative findings and declarations relating to the need for blind or visually impaired pupils to receive instruction in the expanded core curriculum. Authorizes school districts, county offices of education, and charter schools to consider elements of the expanded core curriculum
when developing individualized education programs for a pupil who is blind, has low vision, or is visually impaired. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB947

CalFresh

AB 942 (Weber) – CalFresh: Restaurant Meals Program
Enacts the Access to Safe Food Choices and Food Security Act. Requires the Department of Social Services, to the extent permitted by federal law and in consultation with various stakeholders, to establish a statewide RMP. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB942

Civil Law

SB 616 (Wieckowski) – Enforcement of Money Judgements: Exemptions
Relates to a judgment creditor levy. Authorizes a claimant to file a claim of exemption with the levying officer either in person or by mail and would specify that the period for filing the claim is 15 days if the judgment debtor is personally served with a notice of levy on the property claimed to be exempt, and 20 days if the claimant is served with notice by mail. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB616

Conservatorships

SB 40 (Wiener) – Conservatorships: Serious Mental Illness and Substance Use Disorders
Authorizes a court to establish a temporary conservatorship for a person incapable for caring for themselves due to a serious mental illness and substance use disorder. Requires a court or jury trial making a determination regarding the issue of whether a person meets the criteria for appointment of a conservator to make that determination beyond a reasonable doubt. (DRC had an oppose position)
Courts/Procedures

**AB 9 (Reyes) – Employment Discrimination: Limitation of Actions**
Relates to existing law which authorizes a person claiming to be aggrieved by an alleged unlawful practice to file a complaint with the Department of Fair Employment and Housing one year from the date upon which the unlawful practice occurred. Extends this period to 3 years for complaints alleging employment discrimination. Specifies that the operative date of the verified complaint is the date that the intake form was filed with the Labor Commissioner. (DRC had a support position)

**AB 497 (Santiago) – Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program**
Extends the sunset date of the collection of the surcharge applied to a subscriber's intrastate telephone service pursuant to the Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program. (DRC had a support position)

**AB 1514 (Patterson) – Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program**
Authorizes a nurse practitioner to certify the needs of an individual who has been diagnosed by a physician and surgeon as being deaf or hard of hearing to participate in the program to provide a telecommunications device capable of serving the needs of individuals who are deaf or hearing impaired after reviewing the medical records or copies of the medical records containing that diagnosis. (DRC had a support position)
Disabilities

SB 280 (Jackson) – Building Standards: Fall Prevention
Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to investigate possible changes to the building standards in the California Residential Code for adoption by the California Building Standards Commission to promote aging-in-place design. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB280

Disaster Relief

AB 477 (Cervantes) – Emergency Preparedness: Vulnerable Populations
Requires a county, or a city and county, to include representatives from the access and functional needs population in the next regular update to its emergency plan. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB477

AB 911 (Rodriguez) – Office of Emergency Services: Emergency Information
Requires the Office of Emergency Services to complete a study, as provided, to determine the feasibility of developing a statewide system that would enable all Californians, including older adults, individuals with disabilities, and other at-risk persons, to voluntarily provide vital health and safety information, with an encrypted connection, to be made available to all first responders in an emergency if a 911 call is placed. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB911

SB 160 (Jackson) – Emergency Services: Cultural Competence
Requires a county to integrate cultural competence into its emergency plan upon the next update to its emergency plan. Requires a county to provide a forum for community engagement in geographically diverse locations in
order to engage with culturally diverse communities. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB160
Signed 10/02/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-402

**Discrimination**

**AB 241 (Kamlager-Dove) – Courts: Attorneys: Implicit Bias: Training**
Requires the Board of Registered Nursing and the Physician Assistant Board, by a specified date, to adopt regulations requiring the curriculum for continuing education for its licensees to include specified instruction in the understanding of implicit bias in treatment. Requires the Boards to audit education providers for compliance. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB241

**AB 242 (Kamlager-Dove) - Courts: Attorneys: Implicit Bias: Training**
Authorizes the Judicial Council to develop training on implicit bias with respect to certain characteristics. Requires all court staff who interact with the public to complete 2 hours of any training developed by the Judicial Council pursuant to this authorization every 2 years. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB242
Signed 10/02/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-418

**SB 41 (Hertzberg) – Civil Actions: Damages (Discrimination/Court Proceedings)**
Prohibits the estimation, measure, or calculation of past, present, or future personal injury or wrongful death damages from being reduced based on race, ethnicity, gender, religion, or sexual orientation.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB41

**SB 229 (Hertzberg) - Discrimination: Complaints: Administrative Review**
Requires the Labor Commissioner, within a certain number of days, to file a certified copy of a final citation with the Superior Court for judicial
enforcement in any county in which the person assessed the penalty has, or had property or a place of business, unless the person cited requests an informal hearing to challenge the citation. Requires the Clerk of the Court to immediately enter judgment for the amount in the citation.  
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 SB229  

SB 329 (Mitchell) - Discrimination: Housing: Source of Income  
Defines the term source of income, for purposes of provision of the Fair Employment and Housing Act, to mean verifiable income paid directly to a tenant or to a representative thereof, or paid to a housing owner or landlord on behalf of a tenant, including federal, state, or local public assistance and housing subsidies. Specifies that a housing owner is not considered a representative of a tenant. (DRC had a support position)  
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 SB329  

Education

AB 34 (Ramos) - Pupils: Bullying and Harassment Prevention Handbook  
Requires each local educational agency to ensure that specified information on bullying and harassment prevention is readily accessible in a prominent location on the local educational agency's existing internet website in a manner that is easily accessible to parents or guardians and pupils. Requires local educational agencies to include policies adopted by a local educational agency relating to hate violence, bullying, harassment, discrimination, and suicide prevention and related resources. (DRC had a support position)  
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB34  

AB 419 (Skinner) - Pupil Discipline: Suspensions: Willful Defiance  
Applies certain provisions relating to suspension to charter schools. Prohibits the suspension of a pupil enrolled in a school district or charter school in grades 4 and 5, inclusive, for disrupting school activities or otherwise willfully defying the valid authority of those school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties. (DRC had a support position)
AB 1127 (Rivas) – Interdistrict Attendance: Prohibition on Transfers
Requires a school district of residence to approve an intradistrict transfer request for a victim of an act of bullying, as provided. Prohibits a school district of residence, regardless of whether there is an agreement or permit, from prohibiting the interdistrict transfer of a victim of an act of bullying if there is no available school for an intradistrict transfer and the school district of proposed enrollment approves the application for transfer. (DRC had a support position)

AB 1319 (Arambula) - Migrant Education: Pupil Residency
Requires local educational agencies to allow a pupil who is a migratory child to continue attending their school of origin, regardless of any change of residence of the pupil. Requires a local educational agency to inform a pupil, who is a migratory child, and that pupil's parent or guardian of the impact of remaining in the school of origin on the eligibility of that pupil to receive migrant education services.

AB 1240 (Weber) - School Accountability: Local Control
Requires school districts and county boards of education to measure pupil achievement in their respective local control and accountability plans by, and as applicable, among other things required by existing law, separate calculations for the percentage of pupils who have successfully completed courses that satisfy the requirements for entrance to the University of California and the California State University.

AB 1354 (Gipson) – Juvenile Court School Pupils: Transition Planning
Requires, as part of the joint transition planning policy, the County Office of Education to assign transition oversight responsibilities to existing Office
personnel who will work in collaboration with the County Probation Department, as needed, and relevant local educational agencies to ensure that specified transition activities are completed for the pupil, and to facilitate the transfer of complete and accurate education records.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200
AB1354

AB 1767 (Ramos) – Pupil Suicide Prevention Policies
Requires the governing board or body of a local educational agency that serves pupils in kindergarten and grades 1 to 6, inclusive, to, before the beginning of the 2020-21 school year, adopt, and update as prescribed, a policy on pupil suicide prevention that specifically addresses the needs of high-risk groups.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200
AB1767

SB 265 (Hertzberg) - Child Hunger Prevention and Fair Treatment Act of 2017
Requires local educational agencies to ensure that a pupil whose parent or guardian has unpaid school meal fees is not denied a reimbursable meal of the pupil's choice because of the fact that the pupil's parent or guardian has unpaid meal fees and ensure that the pupil is not shamed or treated differently from other pupils.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200
SB265

SB 419 (Skinner) – Pupil Discipline: Suspensions: Willful Defiance
Applies certain provisions relating to suspension to charter schools. Prohibits the suspension of a pupil enrolled in a school district or charter school in grades 4 and 5, inclusive, for disrupting school activities or otherwise willfully defying the valid authority of those school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties. (DRC had a support position)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200
SB419
Employment

**AB 51 (Gonzalez) – Employment Discrimination: Enforcement**
Prohibits a person from requiring any applicant for employment or any employee to waive any right, forum, or procedure for a violation of any provision of the California Fair Employment and Housing Act, or other specific statutes governing the receipt of any employment related benefit. Prohibits an employer from harassing an employee for exercising those rights. Makes violations of such prohibitions unlawful employment practices.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB51
Signed 10/10/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-711

**AB 673 (Carrillo) – Failure to Pay Wages: Penalties**
Authorizes an affected employee to bring an action to recover specified statutory penalties against an employer as part of a hearing held to recover unpaid wages. Removes the authority for the Labor Commissioner to recover civil penalties in an independent civil action. Modifies the list of statutes that a statutory penalty may be recovered for violation of by adding a provision relating to wages paid to an employee who is licensed under the Barbering and Cosmetology Act.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB673

**AB 1554 (Gonzalez) – Employers: Dependent Care Assistance Program**
Requires an employer to notify, in a prescribed manner, an employee who participates in a flexible spending account of any deadline to withdraw funds before the end of the plan year.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB673
Signed 08/30/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-195

**SB 688 (Monning) – Failure to Pay Wages: Penalties**
Provides that if the Labor Commissioner determines that an employer has paid a wage set by contract in excess of minimum wage, the Labor Commissioner may issue a citation to the employer to recover restitution of the amounts owed.
Fees/Fines

**SB 164 (McGuire) – Infractions: Community Service**
Authorizes a person who has been convicted of an infraction to elect to perform community service in the county in which the infraction violation occurred, the county of the person’s residence, or any other county to which the person has substantial ties if the court determines that the person has shown that payment of the total fine would pose a hardship on the person and the person has elected to perform community service in lieu of paying the total fine. (DRC had a support position)


Healthcare

**AB 1004 (McCarty) – Developmental Screening Services**
Requires, consistent with federal law, that screening services provides as an Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment, or EPSDT, benefit include developmental screening services for individuals of a certain age, inclusive. Requires MediCal managed care plans to ensure that providers who contract with these plans render those services in conformity with specified standards.


**AB 824 (Wood) – Business: Preserving Access to Affordable Drugs**
Provides that an agreement resolving or settling, on a final or interim basis, a patent infringement claim, in connection with the sale of a pharmaceutical product, is to be presumed to have anticompetitive effects if a nonreference drug filer receives anything of value from another company asserting patent infringement and if the nonreference drug filer agrees to limit or forego research, development, manufacturing, marketing, or sales of the nonreference drug filer's product for any period of time.
SB 165 (Atkins) – Medical Interpretation Services
Requires the Department of Health Care Services to establish a pilot project concerning medical interpretation services concurrent with the specified study. Requires that the pilot project be designed to evaluate certain factors, including whether disparities in care are reduced, with respect to LEP Medi-Cal beneficiaries compared with Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are proficient in English.

SB 227 (Leyva) – Health and Care Facilities: Inspections and Penalties
Requires the periodic inspections of specified health facilities to include reviews of compliance with the nurse to patient ratios and staff assignment regulations. Requires the State Department of Public Health to conduct these inspections in a manner that is not announced in advance of the date of inspection. Requires the Department to assess specified administrative penalties for a violation of the nurse to patient ratios and staff assignment regulations.

AB 139 (Quirk-Silva) - Emergency and Transitional Housing Act
Authorizes a local government to apply a written objective standard that provides sufficient parking to accommodate the staff working in an emergency shelter. Requires the need for an emergency shelter to be assessed based on the capacity necessary to accommodate the most recent homeless point in time count, the number of shelter beds available on a year round and seasonal basis, and the number of beds that go unused on an average monthly basis, among other factors. (DRC had a support position)
AB 728 (Santiago) – Homeless Multidisciplinary Personnel Teams  
Expands the goals of the Homeless Adult and Family Multidisciplinary Personnel Team in the Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, Santa Clara, and Ventura, to include facilitating the expedited identification, assessment, and linkage of individuals at risk of homelessness to housing and supportive services, and the expedited prevention of homelessness.


AB 761 (Nazarian) - State Armories: Homeless Shelters  
Authorizes the use of any armory deemed vacant by the Military Department throughout the year by the county or city in which the armory is located for the purpose of providing temporary shelter from hazardous weather conditions for homeless persons, at the sole discretion of the Adjutant General.


AB 1188 (Gabriel) – Dwelling Units: Persons at Risk of Homelessness  
Requires a landlord to give seven days' notice to a tenant in order to evict a person at risk of homelessness from the unit, unless specified exceptions apply. Gives the tenant an opportunity to cure any violations cited by the landlord for evicting the person at risk of homelessness.


AB 1235 (Chu) - Youth Homelessness Prevention Centers  
Renames certain facilities youth homelessness prevention centers. Expands the categories of youth for which the center is required to provide services to also include youth at risk of homelessness and youth exhibiting status offender behavior.
AB 1745 (Kalra) – Shelter Crisis: Emergency Bridge Housing Community
Extends the repeal date of provisions relating to emergency bridge housing communities for the homeless upon a declaration of a shelter crisis by the City of San Jose. Extends the date that an affordable housing unit identified in the city's housing plan is required to be available for a resident of an emergency bridge housing community to live in.

SB 450 (Umberg) – Supportive Housing
Exempts from California Environmental Quality Act projects related to the conversion of a structure with a certificate of occupancy as a motel, hotel, apartment hotel, transient occupancy residential structure, or hostel, to supportive housing or transitional housing that meet certain conditions.

SB 744 (Caballero) – California Environmental Quality
Requires the lead agency to prepare concurrently the record of proceeding for a No Place Like Home project, with the performance of the environmental review of the project if that project is not eligible for approval as a use by right, as described. Requires the lead agency to file and post a notice of determination within 2 working days of the approval of the project.

AB 1110 (Friedman) – Rent Increases: Noticing
Requires a certain amount of notice if a landlord of a residential dwelling with a month-to-month tenancy increases the rent by a certain percentage of the amount of the rent charged to a tenant annually.
SB 18 (Skinner) – Keep Californians Housed Act  
Deletes the current repeal date, thereby extending the operation of these provisions indefinitely.  

SB 330 (Skinner) – Housing Crisis Act  
Requires a local agency that proposes to disapprove a housing development project that complies with applicable, objective general plan and zoning standards and criteria that were in effect at the time the application was deemed to be complete, or to approve it on the condition that it be developed at a lower density, to base its decision upon written findings supported by substantial evidence on the record that specified conditions exist, and places the burden of proof on the local agency to that effect.  

IHSS  
AB 426 (Maienschein) – In Home Supported Services Program  
Prohibits a licensed health care professional from charging a fee for the completion of the certification form. (DRC had a support position)  

Immigration  
AB 32 (Bonta) – Detention Facilities: Private, For-profit  
Prohibits the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation from entering into or renewing a contract with a private, for-profit prison to incarcerate state prison inmates, but would not prohibit the department from renewing or extending a contract to house state prison inmates in order to comply with any court-ordered population cap. (DRC had a support position)
AB 1563 (Santiago) – State Census Bill of Rights and Responsibilities
Authorizes the Secretary of State to work with the State Census Office and the State Complete Count Committee to promulgate a Census Bill of Rights and Responsibilities no later than a specified date. Makes it a misdemeanor for any person to falsely represent themselves as a census taker, or to falsely assume some or all of the activities of such, with the intent to interfere with the operation of the census or with the intent to obtain information or consent to an otherwise unlawful search or seizure.

ACR 1 (Bonta) – Immigration: Public Charges
Condemns regulations recently adopted by the Department of Homeland Security to prescribe how a determination of inadmissibility for a person who is not a citizen or national is made based on the likelihood that the person will become a public charge. Urges the federal government to repeal the new regulations. (DRC had a support position)

Insurance

AB 174 (Wood) – Health Care
Corrects an erroneous cross references relating to the Attorney General's written waiver as to a proposed agreement or transaction of a nonprofit corporation that operates or controls a health facility.

AB 406 (Limon) - Disability Compensation: Paid Family Leave: Application
Requires the Employment Development Department to distribute the application for family temporary disability insurance benefits, in addition to the application in English, in all non-English languages spoken by a
substantial number of non-English-speaking applicants.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB406


**AB 567 (Calderon) – Long-Term Care Insurance**

Establishes the Long Term Care Insurance Task Force in the Department of Insurance, chaired by the Commissioner or a designee, and composed of specified stakeholders and representatives of government agencies to examine the components necessary to design and implement a statewide long-term care insurance program. Requires the task force to recommend options for establishing this program and to comment on their respective degrees of feasibility in a report.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB567


**SB 407 (Monning) – Medicare Supplement Benefit Coverage**

Excludes outpatient prescription drugs benefits as a new or innovative benefit. Authorizes the Director of the Department of Managed Health Care and the Insurance Commissioner to issue guidance on specified requirements. Excludes new or innovative benefits from the determination of whether benefits are equal to or lesser than those provided by the previous coverage.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB407


**Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (I/DD)**

**AB 189 (Kamlager-Dove) - Child Abuse and Neglect: Mandated Reporters: Autism**

Adds qualified autism service providers, qualified autism service professionals, and qualified autism service paraprofessionals to the list of individuals who are mandated reporters under the Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act. (DRC had a support position)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB189

**AB 439 (Stone) – Juveniles: Competency**
Deletes a statement that specified provisions do not authorize or require the placement of a minor, who is incompetent, in a developmental center or community facility operated by the State Department of Developmental Services without a determination by a regional center director, or the director’s designee, that the minor had a developmental disability and is eligible for services. Removes developmental centers from the alternatives to juvenile hall that a court is required to consider.


**AB 640 (Frazier) – Sex Crimes: Investigation and Prosecution**
Requires the training course for District Attorneys in the investigation and prosecution of sexual assault cases to also cover the investigation and prosecution of sexual abuse cases involving victims with developmental disabilities. (DRC had a support position)

Signed 08/30/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-177

**AB 1019 (Frazier) – Apprenticeship: Developmentally Disabled Persons**
Adds, to the ex officio members of the Interagency Advisory Committee on Apprenticeship, the Director of Rehabilitation and the Executive Director of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities. Requires the Committee to create a subcommittee to address apprenticeship for the disabled community. (DRC had a support position)


**AB 1199 (Petrie-Norris) - State Property: Fairview Developmental Center**
Requires, if land within the grounds of the Fairview Developmental Center is reported as excess and the Department of Developmental Services determines that the land is needed by more than one state agency, that the Department conduct a public hearing and receive public input regarding the use of the land before transferring it to any state agency. (DRC had a support position)
Juvenile Justice

AB 1394 (Daly) – Juveniles: Sealing of Records
Prohibits a superior court or probation department from charging an applicant a fee for filing a petition to seal records relating to the juvenile's case. (DRC had a support position)


AB 1423 (Wicks) – Transfer to Juvenile Court
Authorizes a person whose case was transferred from juvenile court to a court of criminal jurisdiction to file a motion to return the case to juvenile court for disposition under specified circumstances, among others, when the person is convicted at trial only of an offense that was not the basis for transfer from juvenile court to the criminal court.


Landlord/Tenant

AB 1482 (Chiu) - Tenant Protection Act of 2019: Tenancy: Rent Caps
Prohibits an owner, of residential real property from terminating a tenancy without just cause, which the bill would require to be stated in the written notice to terminate tenancy when the tenant has continuously and lawfully occupied the residential real property for 12 months. (DRC had a support position)


Long-Term Services & Supports (LTSS)

SB 228 (Jackson) – Master Plan on Aging
Requires the secretary, in coordination with the Director of the California Department of Aging, to lead the development and implementation of the master plan established pursuant to that executive order. Requires the
secretary and the director, with the assistance of the workgroup, to work with specified agencies, as needed, to identify policies, efficiencies, and strategies necessary to implement the master plan.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 SB228

AB 1695 (Carrillo) – Health Facilities
Requires a licensee of a skilled nursing facility, a certain number of days prior to the finalization of a sale, transfer of operation, or other change or transfer of ownership interests, to give a written notice of the proposed change in licensee or management company to all residents of the facility and their representatives that contains specified information relating to the prospective licensee, transferee, assignee, lessee, or licensee's parent company or management company. Imposes a civil penalty. (DRC had a support position)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB1695

Medi-Cal

AB 678 (Flora) – Medi-Cal: Podiatric Services
Prohibits the requirement of prior authorization for podiatric services provided by a doctor of podiatric medicine if a physician and surgeon rendering the same services would not be required to provide prior authorization.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB678

AB 715 (Nazarian) – Richard Paul Hemann Parkinson's Disease Program
Extends the Richard Paul Hemann Parkinson's Disease Program until a specified date.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB715
Signed 10/12/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-806
AB 781 (Maienschein) – MediCal: Family Respite Care
Specifies that pediatric day health care services may be provided at any
time of the day and on any day of the week, so long as the total number of
authorized hours is not exceeded. Authorizes pediatric day health care
services to be covered for a specified number of hours per calendar day.
(DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200
AB781

AB 1088 (Wood) – MediCal: Eligibility
Requires the State Department of Health Care Services to seek a Medicaid
state plan amendment or waiver to implement an income disregard that
would allow an aged, blind, or disabled individual who becomes ineligible
for MediCal benefits because of the state's payment of the individual's
Medicare Part B premiums to remain eligible for the MediCal program if
their income and resources otherwise meet all eligibility requirements.
(DRC cosponsored this bill)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200
AB1088
Signed 10/02/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-450

AB 1642 (Wood) – MediCal: Managed Care Plans
Requires a MediCal managed care plan to provide information in a request
for alternative access standards and to demonstrate the delivery of
MediCal services to enrollees. Requires the information compiled by the
EQRO to include the extent to which each MediCal managed care plan
uses clinically appropriate telecommunications technology to meet
established time and distance standards.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200
AB1642

AB 1705 (Bonta) – MediCal: Emergency Medical Transportation
Services
Requires the State Department of Health Care Services to implement,
subject to any necessary federal approvals, the Public Provider
Intergovernmental Transfer. Authorizes the Department to continue
conducting any administrative duties related to the specified supplemental
MediCal reimbursement. Exempts an eligible provider from the quality
assurance fee and add on increase for the duration of any MediCal
managed care rating during which the Public Provider Intergovernmental Transfer Program is implemented.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB1705

**AB 1723 (Wood) – Pharmacy: Clinics: Purchasing Drugs At Wholesale**
Increases the number of hours a licensed clinic permitted to purchase drugs at wholesale for administration or dispensing is authorized to be open.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB1723

**Mental Health**

**AB 46 (Carrillo) – Individuals with Mental Illness: Change of Terms**
States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to replace derogatory terms with more culturally sensitive terms when referring to individuals with mental illness. (DRC sponsored this bill)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB46

**AB 577 (Eggman) – Health Care Coverage: Maternal Mental Health**
Requires an individual, who presents written documentation of being diagnosed with a maternal mental health condition from the individual's treating health care provider, to complete those covered services for that condition, not exceeding a certain number of months. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB577

**AB 845 (Maienschein) – Continuing Education: Physicians and Surgeons**
Requires the Medical Board, in determining the continuing education requirements for physicians and surgeons, to consider including a course in maternal mental health. Requires the board to periodically update any curricula developed pursuant to the bill to account for new research.
AB 984 (Lackey) – Suicide Prevention Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund
Allows a taxpayer to designate an amount in excess of personal income tax liability to be transferred into the Suicide Prevention Voluntary Contribution Fund. Requires moneys transferred to the Fund to award grants to nonprofit organizations providing suicide prevention services.

AB 1352 (Waldron) - Community Mental Health Services: Mental Health Boards
Revises the membership and duties of mental health boards. States that a mental health board serves in an advisory role to the governing body, and would require the board to review and evaluate the local public mental health system and advise the governing body on community mental health services delivered by the local mental health agency or local behavioral health agency. (DRC had a support position)

SB 36 (Hertzberg) - Pretrial Release: Risk Assessment Tools
Requires pretrial services agency that uses a pretrial risk assessment tool to validate the tool on a regular basis and to make specified information regarding the tool, including validation studies, publicly available. Requires the Judicial Council to maintain a list of pretrial services agencies that have satisfied those validation requirements and complied with those transparency requirements.

SB 377 (McGuire) – Juveniles: Psychotropic Medications
Requires the forms developed by the Judicial Council to include a request for authorization by a child or that child's attorney to release the child's medical information to the Medical Board of California, in order to ascertain
whether there is excessive prescribing of psychotropic medication inconsistent with a specified standard of care. Limits the authorization to medical information relevant to the investigation of such. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 SB377

SB 389 (Hertzberg) – Mental Health Services Act
Amends the Mental Health Services Act to authorize the counties to use MHSA moneys to provide services to persons who are participating in a presentencing or postsentencing diversion program or who are on parole, probation, postrelease community supervision, or mandatory supervision.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 SB389
Signed 08/30/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-209

SB 544 (Umberg) – State Bar: Admission: License: Moral Character Review
Prohibits the staff of the State Bar or members of the examining committee, in reviewing whether an applicant is of good moral character, from reviewing or considering the person’s medical records relating to mental health, except as specified. Prohibits the staff of the State Bar or members of the examining committee from requesting or seeking to review any medical records relating to mental health, including by obtaining the consent of the applicant to disclose the records. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 SB544
Signed 7/30/2019. Eff. 01/01/2010. Chapter No. 2019-152

SB 557 (Jones) - Criminal Proceedings: Mental Competence
Relates to a defendant's mental competency. Makes all documents submitted to a court pursuant to this process presumptively confidential, except as otherwise provided by law. Requires the documents to be retained in the confidential portion of the courts file, and would require counsel for the defendant and the prosecution to maintain the documents as confidential.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 SB557
Signed 09/05/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-251
Paratransit

**AB 1351 (Lackey) – Paratransit and Dial a Ride Services: Assessment**
Requires the Transportation Agency, in consultation with public transit operators, to conduct an assessment of the procedures public transit operators use to provide dial a ride and paratransit services to individuals with disabilities who are visiting their service territories and are certified to use another in state public transit operator's similar dial a ride and paratransit services. Requires the agency to publish the assessment on its internet website. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB1351

Patients’ Rights

**AB 333 (Eggman) - Whistleblower Protection: Patients' Rights Advocates**
Establishes whistleblower protections specifically for county patients' rights advocates. Applies prohibitions against retaliation by an employer to a local contracting agency. Establishes a private right of action to enforce the rights and protections afforded to county patients' rights advocates. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB333
Signed 10/02/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-423

Public Benefits

**AB 1278 (Gabriel) – Public Postsecondary Education: Website Notifications**
Requires each public postsecondary institution to include on the internet website based account for an enrolled student notification of, and a link to information on, specified public services and programs, including the CalFresh program, county or local housing resources, and county or local mental health services. Authorizes each of these institutions to use existing resources for these activities. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB1278
SB 735 (Leyva) – Public Social Services: Accommodation: Notification
Requires the Department of Social Services to include in any amendment of or revision to a form or report that is adopted after a certain date, and that is to be completed by an applicant for, or a recipient of, public assistance, using the single statewide automated welfare system, questions that permit the applicant or recipient to disclose a disability, the need for accommodation due to disability, and any experience of domestic violence. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB735

Public Safety

AB 45 (Stone) – Inmates: Medical Care: Fees
Prohibits the Director or a Sheriff, Chief or Director of Corrections, or Chief of Police from charging a fee for an inmate initiated medical visit of an inmate of the state prison or a county or city jail. Prohibits those officials from charging an inmate of the state prison or a city or county jail a fee for durable medical equipment or medical supplies, as defined. (DRC had support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB45
Signed 10/08/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-570

AB 392 (Weber) – Peace Officers: Deadly Force
Redefines the circumstances under which a homicide by a peace officer is deemed justifiable to include when the officer reasonably believes, based on the totality of the circumstances, that deadly force is necessary to defend against an imminent threat of death or serious bodily injury to the officer or to another person, or to apprehend a fleeing person for a felony that threatened or resulted in death or serious bodily injury. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB392
Signed 08/19/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-170

AB 701 (Weber) - Prisoners: Exoneration: Housing Costs
Requires the payment of $5,000 to a person who is exonerated, upon release, to be used to pay for housing and would entitle the exonerated person to receive direct payment or reimbursement for reasonable housing
costs, including, among others, rent and hotel costs, not to exceed specified limits, for a period of not more than 4 years.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200

AB 701

AB 1390 (Stone) – Deferred Entry of Judgement Pilot Program
Authorizes a defendant who is 21 years of age or older, but under 25 years of age on the date the offense was committed, to participate in the program if approved by the multidisciplinary team established by the county. (DRC had a support position)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200

AB 1390

AB 1421 (Bauer-Kahan) – Supervised Release: Revocation
Relates to probation. Prohibits the revocation of supervision for failure of a person to pay fines, fees, or assessments, unless the court makes the same determinations. (DRC had a support position)

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AB 1421
Signed 07/12/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-111

SB 230 (Caballero) – Law Enforcement: Use of Deadly Force: Training: Policy
Requires each law enforcement agency to maintain a policy that provides guidelines on the use of force and to make their use of force policy accessible to the public by a specified date. Requires the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training to implement courses of instruction for the regular and periodic training of law enforcement officers in the use of force.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200

SB 230

SB 394 (Skinner) – Criminal Procedure: Diversion for Primary Caregivers
Authorizes the presiding Judge of the Superior Court, in consultation with the presiding Juvenile Court Judge and criminal court Judges, to create a pretrial diversion program for defendants who are primary caregivers of a child under a specified age, who are charged with a misdemeanor or a
nonserious, nonviolent felony, and who are not being placed into diversion for a crime alleged to have been committed against a person for whom the defendant is the primary caregiver. (DRC had a support position)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200

SB394

Residential Care Facilities

AB 737 (Eggman) – Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly: Licensing and Regulation
Clarifies that the application requirements for any person seeking a license for a residential care facility for the elderly apply to entities and agents signing on behalf of entities and that an applicant is required to provide or cause to be provided, at the department's request, any additional information related to consideration of the application regarding any entity that is an applicant or holds a beneficial ownership interest of 10 percent or more.

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AB737
Signed 08/30/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-180

Seniors

AB 1128 (Petrie-Norris) - Program Of All-Inclusive Care For The Elderly
Exempts from licensure by the State Department of Public Health a primary care clinic, an adult day health care center, or a home health agency, that is approved by the State Department of Health Care Services to operate exclusively as part of a PACE organization or that provides services to individuals who are being assessed for eligibility to enroll in the PACE program for not more than 60 calendar days after an individual submits an application for enrollment. (DRC had a support position)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200

AB1128

SB 453 (Hurtado) – Older Adults
Requires the Department of Aging to develop a core model of best practices under the Aging and Disability Resource Connection Program. Requires the Department to consider specified practices, including a
person centered counseling process. Requires the Department to take specified actions with regard to the implementation of a No Wrong Door System and determine if the Medicaid claiming process may be used to fund the System. (DRC had a support position)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200

SB453


Service Animals

AB 169 (Lackey) – Guide, Signal and Service Dogs: Injury or Death
Requires the defendant, convicted of certain crimes, to make restitution to the person for medical or medical-related expenses, or for loss of wages or income, as defined, incurred by the person with a disability. Includes in the definition of replacement costs for this purpose the training costs for a new dog, if needed, the cost of keeping the now-disabled dog in a kennel while the handler travels to receive the new dog. (DRC had a support position)

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AB169


Special Education

AB 605 (Maienschein) – Special Education: Assistive Technology Devices
Requires a local educational agency, including a charter school, to provide the use of school-purchased assistive technology devices in a child's home or in other settings if the child's individualized education program team determines that the child needs access to those devices in order to receive a free appropriate public education. Requires the agency to be responsible for providing continued access. (DRC had a support position)

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AB605

Signed 09/05/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-228

AB 1172 (Frazier) – Special Education: Nonpublic, nonsectarian schools or agencies
Requires a contracting local educational agency to pay the full amount of the tuition or fees, as applicable, for individuals with exceptional needs who are enrolled in programs or receiving services provided pursuant to such a contract. Requires a nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency to include in
its certification application documentation that the nonpublic, nonsectarian school or agency will train staff who will have contact or interaction with pupils during the school day. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB1172
Signed 10/02/2019. Eff. 01/01/2020. Chapter No. 2019-454

Taxes

AB 115 (Committee on Budget) – Medi-Cal: Managed Care Organization Provider Tax
Establishes a managed care organization provider tax, with substantially similar provisions, that would become effective and operative on the effective date of the federal approval necessary for receipt of federal financial participation. Specifies the applicable tax amounts for each taxing tier for certain fiscal years. Establishes the Health Care Services Fund. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB115

Voting

AB 59 (Kalra) – Elections: Polling Places: University Campuses
Directs a county elections official conducting an all-mailed ballot election to consider vote center location on a public or private university or college campus. Expands the definition of "public building" for purposes of that provision to include buildings owned or controlled by community college districts, the California State University, and the University of California, and it would also clarify that the University of California is encouraged, but not required, to comply with such a request. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB59

AB 623 (Berman) - Elections: Printing Requirements and Ballot Design
Deletes various provisions requiring certain text be printed in a particular font and makes other ballot related changes allowing more flexibility. Deletes the requirement that the notice be in gothic type. Requires the
Secretary of State to establish a ballot design advisory committee. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB623

SB 72 (Umberg) – Conditional Voter Registration: Provisional Ballots
Requires the county elections official to offer conditional voter registration and provisional voting at satellite offices of the County Elections Office and all polling places in that county. Requires the elections official to provide the voter with a ballot for the voter's precinct, if the elections official is able to determine a conditionally registered voter's precinct, and the ballot for that precinct is available. Provides a caveat of certain additional changes. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB72

SB 523 (McGuire) – Elections: Vote by Mail Ballots
Requires, in the case of a voter whose signatures do not match, the elections official to notify the voter, a minimum number of days before the certification of the election, of an opportunity to verify the voter's signature. Extends the deadline for a voter who did not sign the ballot identification envelope to sign the envelope, or sign and deliver an unsigned ballot statement. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB523

Wildfires/Utilities

SB 167 (Dodd) – Electrical Corporations: Wildfire Mitigation Plans
Requires each electrical corporation, as part of specified protocols, to additionally include protocols related to mitigating the public safety impacts of disabling reclosers and deenergizing portions of the electrical distribution system that consider the impacts on customers who are receiving medical baseline allowances. Authorizes electrical corporations to deploy backup electrical resources or provide financial assistance for backup electrical resources to those customers.
Youth

AB 1454 (Jones-Sawyer) - Trauma-informed Diversion Programs for Youth
Authorizes grants to be awarded to nonprofit organization applicants to administer the diversion programs. Increases the maximum grant award to $2,000,000 and would require an applicant to provide a cash or in-kind match.

Vetoed Bills:

Abuse/Neglect

SB 622 (Durazo) – Civil Detention Facilities: State Investigation
Requires the custodian of a civil detention facility in which a death has occurred to notify the Bureau of Investigation within the Department of Justice immediately, but in any case, no more than 2 hours after the individual is pronounced dead. Requires the Bureau to immediately open an investigation into the cause and circumstances of the death, including an examination and determination of whether the entity that was responsible for the civil detention of the individual was in compliance. (DRC had a support position)

Vetoed 10/13/2019 – Veto Message
To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 622 without my signature, as I am concerned its goal of providing for state investigations of deaths of individuals under federal custody will not be achieved. The Trump Administration has weaponized our immigration and detention systems for political gain, demonizing migrants and asylum seekers and instilling fear in immigrant communities. Time and time again, we have seen reports of deplorable living conditions, disease outbreaks and human rights abuses in these detention centers. That is why California is leading by prohibiting private,
for-profit prisons and detention facilities. I believe that closing these facilities needs to be our focus as it is the best way to address these injustices.

**Discrimination**

**AB 403 (Kalra) – Division of Labor Standards Enforcement: Complaint**
Amends existing law which authorizes a person who believes they have been discharged or otherwise discriminated against in violation of any law under the jurisdiction of the Labor Commissioner to file a complaint with the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement. Extends the period to file a complaint to within 2 years after the occurrence of the violation, except that violations of certain provisions may be filed within one year.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB403

**Vetoed 10/12/2019 – Veto Message**
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 403 without my signature. This bill would extend the period to file a whistleblower retaliation complaint with the Labor Commissioner from six months to within two years after the retaliation has occurred. This bill would also authorize a court to award reasonable attorney’s fees to a plaintiff who brings a successful anti-retaliation action. I commend the Legislature’s recent work to enact strong anti-retaliation measures, including providing the Labor Commissioner's Office with authority to investigate retaliation when workers are too fearful to file a formal complaint, as well as the power to issue an administrative citation to enforce anti-retaliation statutes. The Legislature has recognized that swift enforcement action by the Labor Commissioner is one of the most effective tools to combat retaliation and mitigate against its chilling effect on the rights of workers. I urge the Legislature to consider an approach that is consistent with other anti-retaliation statute of limitations in the Labor Code which are set to one year.

**AB 1478 (Carrillo) – Employment Discrimination**
Authorizes an employee aggrieved under specified provisions to bring a private civil action against the employee's employer and would not require that employee to pursue any other remedy prior to bringing that action.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB1478
Vetoed 10/12/2019 – Veto Message
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 1478 without my signature as it is unnecessary. Under current law, employers are prohibited from retaliating against survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking when they seek time off work to obtain relief that helps ensure the health and safety of survivors or their children. AB 1478 expressly states that employees may file a private lawsuit when such anti-retaliation provisions are violated by an employer, and they may recover attorney's fees in addition to reinstatement and damages. Survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking already have the ability under current law to file a retaliation claim through the Labor Commissioner's Office, file a Private Attorneys General Act (PAGA) claim, and to seek reinstatement and reimbursement for lost wages and benefits. I look forward to continuing to work with the Legislature to ensure the state vigorously enforces laws that protect workers and survivors of abuse.

SB 218 (Bradford) – Employment: Discrimination Enforcement
Authorizes the legislative body of a local government, located within the County of Los Angeles to enact a local antidiscrimination ordinance relating to employment, including establishing remedies and penalties for violations. Authorizes a local government to create a local agency to enforce local antidiscrimination laws.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 SB 218

Vetoed 10/12/2019 – Veto Message
To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 218 without my signature. This bill would amend the Fair Employment and Housing Act (FEHA) to permit local jurisdictions in Los Angeles County to enact and enforce their own laws prohibiting employment discrimination as long as they are at a minimum as protective as the FEHA. I am committed to combating and eradicating discrimination and have signed several measures this year to address discriminatory practices. However, I don't support lifting a preemption that has been in place for decades in the manner proposed in this bill. As crafted, this measure could create confusion, inconsistent enforcement of the law and increase costs without a corresponding increase in worker protections. This bill leaves ambiguities about local governments' ability to enforce both local ordinances and FEHA. I invite
the Legislature to come back with a measure that makes it clear that local enforcement measures are exclusively focused on local ordinances.

**Early Childhood Education**

**AB 197 (Gonzalez) – Full-Day Kindergarten**
Requires school districts offering kindergarten and charter schools serving pupils in early primary grades to implement at least 1 full-day kindergarten program. Provides that a minimum schoolday for full-day kindergarten is the same number of minutes per schoolday that is offered to pupils in 1st grade. (DRC had a support position)

[Link to bill information](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB197)

**Vetoed 10/13/2019 – Veto Message**

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 197 without my signature. This bill requires all elementary schools, as well as all charter schools that offer kindergarten, to offer at least one full-day kindergarten program, commencing with the 2022-23 school year. Enrollment in full-day kindergarten has grown for more than a decade. Some school districts opt for part-day programs due to facilities constraints. In order to address this limitation, the 2019 Budget Act includes $300 million one-time non-Proposition 98 General Fund specifically for facilities construction designed to expand full-day kindergarten offerings. While I support increased access to full-day kindergarten, I cannot sign this bill as it would impose new costs outside the budget.

**Education**

**AB 16 (Rivas) - Homeless Children and Youths: Reporting**
Requires a local educational agency to ensure that each school within the local educational agency identifies all homeless children and youths enrolled at the school, and requires the local educational agency to annually report to the Department of Education the number of homeless children and youths enrolled. Establishes state coordinator positions to serve pupils who are experiencing homelessness. Requires posting a liaison's contact information on a school’s website.

[Link to bill information](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB16)

**Vetoed 10/13/2019 – Veto Message**
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 16 without my signature. This bill would require local educational agencies (LEA) to post the name and contact information of their homeless liaison, and establish three technical services providers to assist LEAs in serving their homeless students contingent on appropriation. I support the effort to help our homeless students succeed in school. That is why I supported increased funding in the 2019 Budget to the California Department of Education to improve the support for homeless students throughout the state. However, this bill adds additional costs which are better considered during the annual budget process.

SB 428 (Pan) – Pupil Health: School Employee Training
Requires the State Department of Education to identify an evidence based training program for a local educational agency to use to train classified and certificated school employees having direct contact with pupils on youth mental and behavioral health. (DRC had a support position) [http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB428]
Vetoed 10/13/2019 – Veto Message
To Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 428 without my signature. This bill would require the California Department of Education (CDE) to identify an evidence-based training program on youth mental health for Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) to use to train classified and certificated employees who have direct contact with students at each school site. Providing support for students facing mental health is of critical importance. Multiple public agencies beyond CDE hold a responsibility for addressing the mental health crisis impacting young people today. That is why I worked with the Legislature to appropriate $50 million in this year's budget to create the Mental Health Student Services Act. Mental health partnerships among county mental health or behavioral health departments, school districts, charter schools and county offices of education are best positioned to address the diverse mental health needs of young people.

Employment
AB 365 (C. Garcia) – State Civil Service: Examination and Hiring Processes
Amends existing state civil service law relating to the Limited Examination and Appointment Program, or LEAP, to provide an alternative to the
traditional civil service examination and appointment process to facilitate the hiring of persons with disabilities. Extends all LEAP program provisions indefinitely. (DRC sponsored this bill)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB365

Vetoed 10/09/2019 – Veto Message
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 365 without my signature. Being inclusive and accommodating of people with disabilities is critical to creating a diverse workforce. Assembly Bill 365, however, would make permanent, at a significant cost, a pilot program that is still in need of improvement. Furthermore, this effort can be addressed administratively. As a result, I am directing the Government Operations Agency, in collaboration with CalHR, to ensure that disability policies are included in the newly established Diversity Taskforce. This Taskforce has been created in order to ensure we achieve a state workforce that reflects the Californians we serve. The Taskforce will bring together civil and public servants to improve the State’s hiring and retention of persons with disabilities, among other diversity issues. For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill but remain determined in our efforts to address this important issue.

Health

AB 512 (Ting) - Medi-Cal: Specialty Mental Health Services
Requires each mental health plan to prepare a cultural competence plan to address mental health disparities in access, utilization, and outcomes by various categories, such as race, ethnicity, and immigration status. Requires the convening of a committee to review and approve the cultural competence plan, to annually update its cultural competence plan and progress, and to post this material on its internet website. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB512

Vetoed 10/13/19 – Veto Message
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 512 without my signature. This bill would require each county mental health plan to meet mental health disparities reduction targets developed by the Department of Health Care Services and imposes additional reporting requirements and processes on county mental health plans. Although I support the intent and efforts of this bill
to reduce mental health disparities, the new requirements imposed by this bill would result in significant General Fund cost pressures that are better considered through the state's annual budget process.

Housing

**AB 344 (Calderon) – New Beginnings California Program**
Establishes the New Beginnings California Program in the Department of Community Services and Development. Creates the New Beginnings California Account for the purpose of providing matching grant funding to cities and local continuum of care programs to implement, expand, or continue employment programs for homeless individuals. (DRC had a support position)

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB344

**Vetoed 10/13/2019 – Veto Message**
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 344 without my signature. This bill establishes the New Beginning California Program within the Department of Community Services and Development, which would provide a maximum of 50 grants annually to award matching funds of up to $50,000 to cities, counties, and local continuum of care programs to implement or expand employment programs for homeless individuals. While the intent of this measure is laudable, it creates General Fund cost pressures and should be considered in the annual budget process. Moreover, the 2019 Budget Act includes $650 million for local jurisdictions to combat homelessness, of which employment programs are an eligible use.

Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities

**SB 163 (Portantino) – Health Care Coverage: Pervasive Developmental Disorder**
Revises the definition of behavioral health treatment to require the services and treatment programs provided to be based on behavioral, developmental, relationship-based, or other evidence-based models. Removes the exception for health care service plans and health insurance policies in the Medi-Cal program. Expands the definition of a qualified autism service professional to include behavioral service providers who meet specified educational and professional or work experience qualifications. (DRC had a support position)
Vetoed 10/12/2019 – Veto Message
To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 163 without my signature. This bill seeks to change the qualification standards necessary to be a qualified autism service professional or paraprofessional. When the Legislature enacted SB 946 (Steinberg, Chapter 650, Statutes of 2011), it clearly anticipated subsequent action to develop a comprehensive structure to license providers of behavioral health treatment to individuals with autism spectrum disorder. A formal licensing scheme that includes clinical expertise and administrative oversight is a more appropriate venue to address qualification standards for practitioners, ensure quality of care, and provide effective consumer protection. I encourage the Legislature to complete the work begun by SB 946. In addition, by removing the health plan coverage exemption for contracts in the Medi-Cal program, this bill inadvertently creates conflicting requirements within the Medi-Cal program that could result in unintentional delays in access to care and jeopardizes continued receipt of federal financial participation for behavioral health treatment.

Juvenile Justice

SB 284 (Beall) - Juvenile Justice: County Support of Wards
Increases an annual rate, as specified, by persons committed to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Division of Juvenile Justice, if the offense on which the commitment is based, had it been filed in a court of criminal jurisdiction at the time of adjudication, had a maximum aggregate sentence of fewer than 7 years or if the offense on which the commitment is based occurred when the person was 15 years of age or younger. (DRC had a support position)

Vetoed 10/12/2019 – Veto Message
To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 284 without my signature. This bill increases the annual rate that a county must pay to the state to commit a juvenile to the Division of Juvenile Justice. I applaud the author's commitment to promoting effective rehabilitation for the youth in our criminal justice system. I disagree, however, that a financial disincentive to counties is necessarily the right approach to managing our state-level population. I have initiated the transfer of the Division of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) to the
California Health and Human Services Agency, and the Administration is working on the creation of a new Department of Youth and Community Restoration (DYCR). This new department will, as DJJ does now, serve a specific cohort of high-need youth who have often times have been unable to receive needed services at the county level. It is important that any re-evaluation of what type of population is served at DYCR be done with this global shift in mind, and in a manner that does not enact a blanket financial disincentive when there may be more targeted ways to meet the author’s goals. I am committed to working with the Legislature on ensuring that the transformation of DJJ into DYCR is a success and that we manage this population of young Californians appropriately and with great care.

Long-Term Services and Supports

AB 506 (Kalra) – Long Term Care Facilities
Amends the Long Term Care, Health, Safety, and Security Act. Defines a class A violation as one that the Department of Public Health determines presents either imminent danger to patients or residents or substantial probability of the same. Redefines a class AA violation. Increases the civil penalties for violations by a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care. (DRC sponsored this bill)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB506

Vetoed 10/12/2019 – Veto Message
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 506 without my signature. This bill revises the criteria used by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) to impose class "AA" violations in long-term care facilities. Patient safety and quality care is of the utmost importance, and I am committed to protecting the vulnerable residents of long-term health care facilities. This bill began as a laudable effort to update the standard for determining a facility's responsibility for the death of a patient or resident. However, I am concerned that the language, in its current form, would create more confusion than clarity and would not help CDPH to enforce the law. I encourage the Legislature and stakeholders to work with CDPH toward a resolution that enables the Department to better hold facilities accountable for causing the death of an agent or resident.
Medi-Cal

**AB 318 (Chu) – MediCal Materials: Readability**
Requires the field testing of all Medi-Cal beneficiary materials and informing materials, be translated into threshold languages and released by the Department of Health Care Services and managed care plans. Defines field testing as a review of translations for accuracy, cultural appropriateness, and readability. Defines a managed care plan for these purposes. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB318

**Vetoed 10/13/2019 – Veto Message**
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 318 without my signature. This bill would require field testing of translated materials for Medi-Cal consumers. While I share the author’s goal of ensuring limited-English proficient consumer share access to readable information about their health care coverage, the bill’s requirements would create significant costs that should be evaluated in the annual budget process.

**AB 914 (Holden) – MediCal: Inmates: Eligibility**
Requires the suspension of MediCal eligibility for inmates to end either on the date that the individual is no longer an inmate of the public institution or is no longer otherwise eligible for benefits under the MediCal program, whichever is sooner. Requires the Department of Healthcare Services, in consultation with specified stakeholders, to develop and implement a simplified annual redetermination of eligibility for individuals whose eligibility is suspended pursuant to these provisions.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB914

**Vetoed 10/13/2019 – Veto Message**
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 914 without my signature. This bill would, commencing October 1, 2020, require an indefinite suspension of Medi-Cal benefits for incarcerated individuals under 26 years of age to either end on the date of release from incarceration or when the individuals are no longer otherwise eligible for Medi-Cal benefits, whichever is sooner. The bill has different age thresholds for indefinite suspension of benefits from those in federal law, resulting in violation of federal comparability requirements that would result in significant General Fund costs.
AB 1175 (Wood) – Medi-Cal: Mental Health Services
Requires a county mental health plan and Medi-Cal managed care plan that are unable to resolve a dispute to submit a request for resolution to the department, and to ensure that there is no delay in the provision of medically necessary services pending the resolution of the dispute. Requires the department to issue a written decision to the plans within 30 calendar days from receipt of the request. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB1175
Vetoed 10/13/2019 – Veto Message
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 1175 without my signature. This bill would require Medi-Cal managed care health plans (MCPs) and county mental health plans (MHPs) to exchange specific data, on a monthly basis, in order to identify individuals receiving specialty mental health services. The data would be shared pursuant to guidance from the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS). I support the author's goal of improving care coordination for consumers who receive treatment from multiple delivery systems. As such, I am directing DHCS to exercise its administrative authority over MCPs and MHPs and identify and implement the most efficient and effective method for ensuring these entities coordinate care for Medi-Cal beneficiaries receiving these critically important services.

SB 154 (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, to the extent that federal financial participation is available and any necessary federal approvals have been obtained.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 SB154
Vetoed 10/13/2019 – Veto Message
To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 154 without my signature. This bill would allow Medi-Cal dental providers to provide and be reimbursed for the application of silver diamine fluoride when used as an arresting agent for cavities on a per-tooth basis to prevent further decay, and under specified conditions. Expanding the options available for treating dental decay is a
worthwhile policy goal, but this bill would require significant General Fund spending not included in the state budget. As such, his change should be considered in the annual budget process.

Mental Health

**AB 512 (Ting) – Medi-Cal: Specialty Mental Health Services**
Requires each mental health plan to prepare a cultural competence plan to address mental health disparities in access, utilization, and outcomes by various categories, such as race, ethnicity, and immigration status. Requires the convening of a committee to review and approve the cultural competence plan, to annually update its cultural competence plan and progress, and to post this material on its internet website. (DRC had a support position)


**Vetoed 10/13/2019 – Veto Message**
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 512 without my signature. This bill would require each county mental health plan to meet mental health disparities reduction targets developed by the Department of Health Care Services and imposes additional reporting requirements and processes on county mental health plans. Although I support the intent and efforts of this bill to reduce mental health disparities, the new requirements imposed by this bill would result in significant General Fund cost pressures that are better considered through the state’s annual budget process.

**SB 10 (Beall) - Mental Health: Peer Support Specialist Certification**
Requires the State Department of Health Care Services to establish a statewide peer support specialist certification program, as a part of the state’s comprehensive mental health and substance use disorder delivery system and the Medi-Cal program. Provides for components of the certification program. Requires applicants to meet specified requirements. Requires the Department of Health Care Services to amend the Medicaid state plan to include a certified peer support specialist as a provider type. (DRC had a support position)

[http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 SB10](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 SB10)

**Vetoed 10/13/2019 – Veto Message**
To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 10 without my signature. This bill would require the Department of
Health Care Services (DHCS) to establish a new state certification program for mental health and substance use disorder peer support specialists. Peer support services can play an important role in meeting individuals' behavioral health care needs by pairing those individuals with trained "peers" who offer assistance with navigating local community behavioral health systems and provide needed support. Currently, counties may opt to use peer support services for the delivery of Medicaid specialty mental health services. As the Administration, in partnership with the Legislature and counties, works to transform the state's behavioral health care delivery system, we have an opportunity to more comprehensively include peer support services in these transformation plans. I look forward to working with you on these transformations efforts in the budget process and future legislation, as improving the state of the state's behavioral health system is a critical priority for me.

Public Safety

**AB 927 (Jones-Sawyer) – Crimes: Fines and Fees: Ability to Pay**

Requires a court imposing a fine, fee, or assessment related to a criminal or juvenile proceeding involving a misdemeanor or a felony to make a finding that the defendant or minor has the ability to pay. Requires that a defendant be presumed to not have the ability to pay if the defendant or minor is homeless, lives in a shelter, or lives in a transitional living facility, receives need-based public assistance, is very low income, or is sentenced to state prison for an indeterminate term.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB927

**Vetoed 10/09/2019 – Veto Message**

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 927 without my signature. This bill would prohibit a court from imposing fines, fees and assessments, without having first made a finding that the defendant has the ability to pay. I support this bill's intent. We must tackle the issue of burdensome fines, fees and assessments that disproportionately drag low-income individuals deeper into debt and away from full participation in their communities. However, I do not believe that requiring a hearing on defendants’ ability to pay is the best approach in every case. There are many ongoing conversations about how we can build a fairer criminal justice system while ensuring adequate funding for courts and victims' compensation. I believe this issue needs to be tackled in a comprehensive manner, through the
budget process, and I am committed to working with the Legislature and stakeholders on ensuring this gets done.

**SB 42 (Skinner) – The Getting Home Safe Act**
Requires the sheriff to make the release standards, release procedures, and release schedules of a county jail available to incarcerated persons. Requires a person scheduled to be released from jail between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. or sundown, whichever is later, to be released during that time. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB42

**Vetoed 10/12/2019 – Veto Message**
To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 42 without my signature. Jails should not be releasing people onto the streets during overnight hours. This is simply an unsafe practice, resulting in many tragic and preventable outcomes over the years. At a very minimum, facilities should absolutely provide a safe place to wait and arrange safe transportation when late night discharges do occur. However, this bill requires that individuals are permitted to stay in jail until morning if desired, therefore creating a significant state reimbursable mandate. The bill's intent can be accomplished through a more tailored approach that does not put the state treasury on the hook for local jail operations costs which are a local responsibility.

**Sober Living**

**AB 920 (Petrie-Norris) - Substance Abuse Recovery or Treatment Providers**
Requires an outpatient alcoholism, drug abuse recovery, or treatment program that provides those services to the public and is not otherwise licensed under existing law, to be licensed by the Department of Health Care Services. Requires the Department to develop regulations to establish program licensure standards and would integrate existing quality assurance provisions into the licensure requirements.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB920

**Vetoed 10/12/2019 – Veto Message**
To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 920 without my signature. This bill would eliminate an existing voluntary outpatient certification program. Beginning January 1, 2021, it would attempt to require an outpatient substance use disorder
(SUD) recovery or treatment services facility which is not licensed under existing law, to obtain licensure from the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to provide SUD services. The bill attempts to do this by replacing references to program certification in existing Health and Safety Code references to program licensure. I am supportive of the Legislature's intent to license all SUD recovery and treatment services. However, developing a new licensing schema is a significant undertaking, and would require a significant departure from the bill as enrolled. This bill would need to be revised to provide adequate statutory authority for DHCS to effectively monitor and ensure compliance with outpatient licensure requirements. In addition, establishing the associated administrative oversight is not without significant cost. After reviewing this bill, it is clear that a substantial amount of work is still needed to develop a program that my administration can implement. As such, I commend the Legislature and sponsors of this bill work closely with DHS on a more robust proposal for my consideration. Costs for implementation of such a bill would need to be considered in the budget process.

Special Education

SB 695 (Portantino) - Special Education: Individualized Education Programs
Revises the definition of parent to specify that it also includes the educational rights holder and the conservator of a child. Requires that a person who meets the definition of parent, including all categories of people included in that definition, be determined to be the parent for purposes of these provisions, if there is a judicial decree or order identifying that person. Revises the definition of local educational agency to include a charter school. (DRC sponsored this bill)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200SB695
Vetoed 10/12/2019 – Veto Message
To the Members of the California State Senate: I am returning Senate Bill 695 without my signature. This bill requires a local educational agency (LEA), upon a parent's request, to translate a student's individualized education plan (IEP) and other related documents to the native language of the parent within 30 calendar days of the IEP team meeting. Current law already requires that non-English speaking parents and guardians understand their child's IEP, and LEAs must take any action needed to ensure that pupil's non-English speaking parent
understands the IEP process and LEAs must also provide any materials used to assess or place a student with exceptional needs in the parent's native language. By establishing more prescriptive requirements, particularly specifying a 30-day timeline within which those documents must be translated, the bill would exceed the requirements of federal law (the Individuals with Disabilities Act), thereby creating a costly reimbursable state mandate that will reduce funding available to support broader educational programs for these students. If a California school district’s practices of providing translation services are inadequate, avenues already exist to remedy these problems. For this reason, I cannot support this bill.

Voting

**AB 773 (Gonzalez) – Voter Education: High School Pupils**
Makes January and September high school voter education months. Requires a school district, county office of education, or charter school to offer pupils the opportunity to register or preregister to vote during a presentation or assembly at the high school campus. Specifies methods through which the registration or preregistration could be accomplished. (DRC had a support position)
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200 AB773

**Vetoed 10/07/2019 – Veto Message**
To Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 773 without my signature. This bill requires the Secretary of State, in coordination with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, to develop educational programming for pupils in grade 12 on voting registration and participation. The State has already made a significant investment to increase turnout among young voters, and there is evidence that these efforts are working. The Secretary of State's Office reported that in 2018 there was a significant increase in turnout for voters ages 18-22. Rather than imposing a prescriptive requirement that imposes a one-size-fits-all requirement on each high school, I would prefer that the Secretary of State and the Superintendent of Public Instruction continue their coordination to help register and preregister young people to vote.

**AB 1391 (Bonta) – Elections: Voter Language Preference**
Requires the application materials of a voter notification to allow the applicant to specify the preferred language in which the applicant would like
to receive future election materials. Requires the voter notification described above to include a statement of the voter's language preference. [http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB1391](http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201920200AB1391)

**Vetoed 10/13/2019 – Veto Message**

To the Members of the California State Assembly: I am returning Assembly Bill 1391 without my signature. This bill requires vote by mail ballot applications to provide a means for the applicant to specify the preferred language in which he or she would like to receive future election materials. It also requires voter notifications to include a statement of the voter's language preference and instructions to receive election materials in the voter's preferred language. While this bill is laudable, I must veto it because of the new obligations it imposes on county elections officials and the state-reimbursable mandate it creates. However, I will propose funding in the 2020-21 budget for the Secretary of State to fulfill its responsibilities in this bill in demonstration of California's commitment to empowering all eligible Californians to exercise their right to vote.
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