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RCFE

<p><b>AB 1946 (Corbett)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/12/2002</p> <p>Location: SEN APPR</p>	<p><b>Written materials for patients</b></p>	<p>This bill would require that printed materials provided to a patient/resident by a licensed health facility or RCFE be printed clearly and legibly, in no smaller than 12-point type (contracts, correspondence, grievance and patient rights information, and advance directives forms and instructions). The bill contains other related provisions.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1946&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1946&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Seeking clarification</b></p>
<p><b>AB 1961 (Canciamilla)</b></p> <p>Chaptered: 07/05/2002</p>	<p><b>Residential care facilities for the elderly: terminally ill persons</b></p>	<p>This bill would permit a residential care facility for the elderly to obtain a waiver from the department to allow a terminally ill person to become a resident of the facility if that person is already receiving hospice services and would continue to receive those services without disruption. [Sponsored by the Hospice and Palliative Care Assn.]</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1961&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1961&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Support</b></p>
<p><b>AB 1989 (Liu)</b></p> <p>Amended: 04/30/2002</p> <p>Location: SEN CONSENT CALENDAR</p>	<p><b>Care facilities: change in health status: violations: notice</b></p>	<p>This bill would require a skilled nursing facility, intermediate care facility, congregate living health facility, or RCFE to make reasonable efforts to contact the person named on the admission agreement or the resident's responsible person within 24 hours of a significant change in health or mental status. [CALA proposed amendments to mirror current regulations were adopted]</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1989&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1989&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Support; Opposition removed</b></p>
<p><b>SB 309 (Ortiz)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/28/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM APPR</p>	<p><b>Continuing care retirement communities</b></p>	<p>Recently amended to become CCRC legislation that requires providers to share specific financial information and states that residents have the right to organize and participate in resident associations. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws. [Sponsored by CALCRA.]</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_309&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_309&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Neutral</b></p>

<p><b>SB 1898 (Soto)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/28/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM APPR</p>	<p><b>Residential care facilities for the elderly: fees and charges</b></p>	<p>This bill would extend the notice of a rate increase from 30 to 60 days; require additional disclosures related to preadmission fees and rate increases; prohibit security deposits; and prohibit lump sum assessments, among other things. [Sponsored by California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform. CALA proposed amendments adopted.]</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1898&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1898&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Support; Opposition Removed</b></p>
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**Criminal Background Checks**

<p><b>AB 1957 (Pacheco, Robert )</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/27/2002</p> <p>Location: 08/06/2002 SENATE PUBLIC SAFETY</p>	<p><b>Public guardians: criminal history information</b></p>	<p>This bill would permit, until January 1, 2007, a public guardian, as specified, or a county conservatorship investigator, as defined, upon a referral from a court or an adult protective services agency, to submit fingerprints and related information to the Department of Justice on a person being considered as a conservator or potential conservator, except as specified. The bill would require the Department of Justice to provide a record of specified convictions and arrests. The bill would require that the information be disclosed to the subject of the background check. The bill would also require the Judicial Council to make a specified report to the Legislature.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1957&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1957&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Support</b></p>
<p><b>SB 900 (Ortiz)</b></p> <p>Amended: 07/25/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM APPR</p>	<p><b>Criminal history information</b></p>	<p>Consolidates DOJ background check criteria (dissemination criteria) for specified agencies for use for employment, licensing or certification purposes.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_900&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_900&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>

**Development**

<p><b>AB 890 (Cedillo)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/17/2002</p> <p>Location: 08/05/2002 SENATE FLOOR ASSEMBLY</p>	<p><b>Health facilities: sale of assets</b></p>	<p>Existing law requires any nonprofit corporation that is subject to the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law and that operates or controls a health facility or operates or controls a health facility that provides similar health care, to provide written notice to, and obtain the written consent of, the Attorney General prior to selling or otherwise disposing of a material amount of its assets to a for-profit corporation or entity or to a mutual benefit corporation or entity. This bill would instead make these requirements applicable to any nonprofit corporation that operates or controls a health facility or operates or controls a facility that provides similar health care. The bill would also authorize the Attorney General to consider, before consenting to an agreement to sell or dispose of assets to a for-profit corporation, whether the terms and conditions of the agreement or transaction are fair and reasonable to the</p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
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<p>BILLS-THIRD READING FILE</p>		<p>nonprofit corporation, and whether agreement or transaction is at fair market value, as specified.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_890&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_890&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	
<p><b>AB 2917 (Chan)</b></p> <p>Amended: 04/29/2002</p> <p>Chaptered: 06/30/2002</p>	<p><b>California Health Facility Construction Loan Insurance Law</b></p>	<p>Existing law, the California Health Facility Construction Loan Insurance Law, provides an insurance program administered by the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development for health facility construction, improvement, and expansion loans made to a political subdivision or nonprofit corporation, as defined. In order for a loan to be eligible for insurance under this law, it is required to be secured by a first mortgage, first deed of trust, or other first priority lien on a fee interest of the borrower. This bill would expand the security for these loan purposes to include a leasehold interest of a nonprofit corporation. [Sponsored by Elder Care Alliance and CALA]</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2917&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2917&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Co-Sponsor/Support</b></p>

Elder Abuse

<p><b>AB 255 (Zettel)</b></p> <p>Amended: 05/14/2002</p> <p>Chaptered: 06/17/2002</p>	<p><b>Elder abuse</b></p>	<p>Revises the definition of mandated reporter by including a 'clergy member,' as defined, and redefining 'care custodian' to include certain employees of humane societies, animal control agencies, fire departments, and offices of environmental health and code enforcement. The bill would also add abduction to the conduct that is required to be reported under the act, would redefine 'multidisciplinary personnel team,' and 'neglect,' and would define 'imminent danger.' It would also exclude from the definition of 'health practitioner' religious practitioners who diagnose, examine, or treat elders or dependent adults. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_255&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_255&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>AB 2140 (Simitian)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/25/2002</p> <p>Location: SEN APPR</p>	<p><b>Elder abuse</b></p>	<p>This bill would increase the maximum period of imprisonment in a county jail to one year for a battery committed against the person of an elder or a dependent adult, with knowledge that he or she is an elder or a dependent adult. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2140&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2140&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>AB 2735 (Chan)</b></p>	<p><b>Elder and dependent adult abuse</b></p>	<p>This bill would add to the exceptions to the provisions restricting disclosure, a disclosure between persons who are trained and qualified to serve on defined multidisciplinary personnel teams that are involved in the prevention, identification, and treatment of abuse of elderly or dependent persons. The bill would require that the</p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>

<p>Amended: 06/11/2002</p> <p>Location: SEN DESK</p>		<p>information and records sought to be disclosed shall be relevant to the prevention, identification, management, or treatment of an abused elder or dependent adult. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2735&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2735&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	
<p><b>SB 1803 (Scott)</b></p> <p>Location: ASM JUD</p>	<p><b>Elder and dependent adult abuse</b></p>	<p>Existing law provides that when it is proven by clear and convincing evidence that a defendant is liable for physical abuse, neglect, or fiduciary abuse, as defined, against an elder or dependent adult, and that the defendant committed this abuse with recklessness, oppression, fraud, or malice, the court shall award to the plaintiff reasonable attorney's fees and costs and certain provisions of law limiting the amount of damages for pain and suffering do not apply. This bill would change this reference from fiduciary abuse to financial abuse. This bill would also make a technical, nonsubstantive change. [Sponsored by California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform]</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1803&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1803&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>

Employment

<p><b>SB 1471 (Romero)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/19/2002</p> <p>Location: ASSEMBLY FLOOR - SENATE SECOND READING FILE</p>	<p><b>Sick leave</b></p>	<p>Existing law requires an employer who provides sick leave to employees, as defined, to permit an employee to use sick leave to attend to an illness of a child, parent, or spouse. An employer is prohibited from retaliating against an employee who uses sick leave for this purpose. An employee aggrieved by a violation of this law may recover legal and equitable relief from his or her employer. This bill would provide that if an employer maintains an absence control policy that counts sick leave used to attend to an illness of a child, parent, or spouse as a basis for discipline, discharge, demotion, or suspension, the policy would constitute a per se violation of the law, entitling an employee working under the policy to appropriate relief.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1471&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1471&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Study</b></p>
<p><b>SB 1661 (Kuehl)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/24/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM APPR</p>	<p><b>Disability compensation: family temporary disability insurance</b></p>	<p>Existing law provides for the payment of disability compensation for the wage loss sustained by an individual unemployed because of sickness or injury, and finances that compensation by means of employee contributions to the Disability Fund. This bill instead provide disability compensation for any individual who is unable to work due to the employee's own sickness or injury, the sickness or injury of a family member, or the birth, adoption, or foster care placement of a new child. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?</a></p>	<p><b>Oppose</b></p>

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## Home & Community Based Services

<p><b>SB 827 (Perata)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/11/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM APPR</p>	<p><b>Adult day services</b></p>	<p>Establishes the Consumer Access to Adult Day Services Act and designs an integrated model for adult day health care and services.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_827&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=sb_827&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>SB 1982 (Perata)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/20/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM APPR</p>	<p><b>Community care facilities: definition</b></p>	<p>This bill would delete the definition of an adult day care facility for purposes of the act, and would revise the definition of an adult day support center to mean any community-based facility that provides care to persons 18 years of age or older in need of personal services, supervision, or assistance essential for sustaining the activities of daily living or for the protection of these individuals on less than a 24-hour basis. The bill would also redesignate adult day support centers as adult day programs. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1982&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=sb_1982&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Study</b></p>

## Misc

<p><b>AB 2041 (Vargas)</b></p> <p>Amended: 04/16/2002</p> <p>Location: 08/06/2002 SENATE JUDICIARY</p>	<p><b>Liability: emergency care</b></p>	<p>Existing law provides immunity from civil liability to any person who completes a basic cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) or automatic external defibrillator (AED) course that complies with regulations adopted by the Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) and the standards of the American Heart Association or the American Red Cross, and who, in good faith, renders emergency care by the use of an AED at the scene of an emergency, without the expectation of receiving compensation for providing the emergency care. This bill would revise these provisions by deleting the requirement that a person complete a basic CPR or AED course. The bill would further provide immunity to a person or entity that acquires an AED for emergency use, if in compliance with specified requirements. This bill contains other related provisions.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2041&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=ab_2041&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>AB 2330 (Migden)</b></p> <p>Amended: 05/21/2002</p>	<p><b>Landlord and tenant</b></p>	<p>This bill would redefine security to include any charges imposed at the beginning of tenancy, excepting application screening fees, and would specifically include within the definition costs associated with processing a new tenant and costs associated with cleaning the property, as specified. The bill would require a landlord to pay interest to the tenant on security, as specified. The bill would define ordinary wear and tear with regard to the application of security to</p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>

<p>Location: SEN JUD</p>		<p>repairs of the dwelling, and would impose on the landlord the burden of proving that a tenant is liable for damages beyond ordinary wear and tear. The bill would require the landlord, after receiving a specified notice from the tenant, to notify the tenant in writing of the tenant's option to request an initial inspection and the tenant's right to be present at the inspection. If the tenant requests an initial inspection, the bill would require the landlord to make that inspection prior to a final inspection, after the tenant vacates, and to provide the tenant with an itemized list of potential deductions from the security, as specified. The bill would require that the tenant have the opportunity to make repairs or clean during the period following the initial inspection until the end of the tenancy. The bill would change the amount of statutory damages for certain violations from \$600 to twice the amount of the security. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2330&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2330&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	
<p><b>AB 2504 (Jackson)</b></p> <p>Amended: 05/28/2002</p> <p>Location: 08/06/2002 SENATE JUDICIARY</p>	<p><b>Judges: arbitration</b></p>	<p>Existing law sets forth the grounds for the required disqualification a judge, as specified. This bill would require the disqualification of a judge who has engaged or participated in negotiations or discussions, or has any arrangement concerning prospective employment with, a private judging company, as defined. This bill contains other related provisions.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2504&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2504&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>AB 3029 (Steinberg)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/26/2002</p> <p>Location: 08/05/2002 SENATE FLOOR ASSEMBLY BILLS- THIRD READING FILE</p>	<p><b>Consumer arbitration agreements: private arbitration companies</b></p>	<p>Existing law provides for the enforcement of arbitration agreements and requires a court to vacate an arbitration award in specified circumstances. This bill would define attorney for a party, consumer arbitration, consumer party, neutral arbitrator, and private arbitration company for these purposes. The bill would specify that if a consumer arbitration agreement, entered into or renewed on or after January 1, 2003, designates one or more specific arbitrators or private arbitration companies or incorporates the arbitration rules of a private arbitration company, the consumer party shall have the option, as specified, after a dispute arises, to choose a different arbitrator or private arbitration company, and the arbitration agreement shall plainly notify the consumer of this right, as specified, as well as the right to obtain information about private arbitration companies, as specified. The bill would prohibit an arbitrator or private arbitration company from administering or otherwise participating in a consumer arbitration, unless the agreement complies with these requirements and the consumer chooses the arbitrator or private arbitration company after the dispute arises. The bill would also prohibit a private arbitration company from administering a consumer arbitration if, on or after January 1, 2003, it provides specified services or products to a party or attorney for a party to arbitration. The bill would specify the remedies for these violations. This bill contains other related provisions.</p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>

<p><b>AB 3030 (Corbett)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/19/2002</p> <p>Enrolled: 07/08/2002</p>	<p><b>Arbitration</b></p>	<p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_3029&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=ab_3029&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p> <p>This bill would provide that a private arbitration company is not immune from liability in a civil action, except when its immunity is based on a theory of vicarious liability for the acts of an arbitrator and the arbitrator is personally immune from liability for those acts. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_3030&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=ab_3030&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>AB 3054 (Committee on Aging and Long Term Care)</b></p> <p>Amended: 05/29/2002</p> <p>Location: SEN INACTIVE FILE</p>	<p><b>Long-term care integration pilot projects</b></p>	<p>Existing law requires the State Department of Health Services to administer a pilot program, for the establishment of not more than 5 sites around the state, to integrate the financing and administration of long-term care services. This bill would require the department to develop at least, one alternative model to the pilot program. The bill would require the department to consult with an established waiver technical advisory committee to assist in the development of an alternative model, and would require the department to report the recommendations of the committee to the Legislature on or before December 1, 2003 .</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_3054&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=ab_3054&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>

Senior Related General

<p><b>AB 1916 (Matthews)</b></p> <p>Amended: 03/20/2002</p> <p>Location: 08/07/2002 SENATE REVENUE AND TAXATION</p>	<p><b>Sales and use taxes: exemptions: medicines: lancets and blood glucose strips used in the treatment of diabetes</b></p>	<p>The Sales and Use Tax Law imposes a tax on the gross receipts from the sale in this state of, or the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of, tangible personal property. That law provides various exemptions from that tax, including an exemption for specified products, used in the treatment of diabetes, that are furnished by a registered pharmacist as directed by a physician. This bill would expand this exemption to also include lancets and blood glucose strips b furnished for the treatment of diabetes .</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1916&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=ab_1916&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>ACR 202 (Corbett)</b></p> <p>Amended: 05/13/2002</p> <p>Location: 08/05/2002 SENATE FLOOR</p>	<p><b>Seniors: bill of rights</b></p>	<p>This bill would declare that it is the goal of the Legislature that every senior in California receive the best possible health care and that, in order to achieve this goal, the Legislature finds and declares that seniors ought to have specified rights.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=acr_202&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=acr_202&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>

<p>ASSEMBLY BILLS- THIRD READING FILE</p>			
<p><b>SB 620 (Ortiz)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/04/2001</p> <p>Location: ASM APPR</p>	<p><b>Suicide treatment and prevention</b></p>	<p>Establishes the California Suicide Prevention Act of 2001, and requires the Department of Mental Health to convene a California Comprehensive Suicide Prevention Strategy Council, which is to develop and submit to the Governor and the Legislature no later than May 1, 2002, a statewide comprehensive suicide prevention strategy. Also creates demonstration projects to provide training and programs aimed at preventing suicide in older adults.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_620&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_620&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Suppc</b></p>
<p><b>SB 953 (Vasconcellos)</b></p> <p>Amended: 07/09/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM APPR</p>	<p><b>Aging</b></p>	<p>Intended to improve the lives of aging Californians, advance the recognition of seniors as wise elders, and design a program that recognizes seniors as precious resources.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_953&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_953&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>SB 1082 (Vasconcellos)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/26/2001</p> <p>Location: ASM REV &amp; TAX</p>	<p><b>Income taxes: designations: senior citizens</b></p>	<p>Continues funding for the California Senior Legislature.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1082&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1082&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>SB 1278 (Speier)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/10/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM APPR</p>	<p><b>Pharmacies: prescription benefits: Medicare beneficiaries</b></p>	<p>Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, administered by the State Department of Health Services, under which qualified low-income persons are provided with health care services, including prescription benefits. Under existing law, the department pays participating pharmacists a discounted price for drugs on the Medi-Cal drug formulary. Existing law, the Pharmacy Law, separately regulates the operation of pharmacies and makes the violation of its provisions a crime. This bill would indefinitely extend these provisions and would specify that they do not apply to a prescription covered by insurance. The bill would require the department to conduct an outreach program to inform Medicare beneficiaries of this program and require participating pharmacists to prominently display a sign pertaining to its provisions. By imposing this requirement on a pharmacist and by extending the provisions of this program, the violation of which is punishable as a criminal offense, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>

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<p><b>SB 1426 (Romero)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/11/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM APPR</p>	<p><b>Medi-Cal: drugs: Alzheimer's disease</b></p>	<p>This bill would require that any drug approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease be added to the Medi-Cal list of contract drugs and be a Medi-Cal benefit under the same circumstances as described above with regard to any drug approved for the treatment of cancer. This bill contains other existing laws. [Sponsored by the Alzheimer's Assn.]</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1426&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=sb_1426&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Supp</b></p>
<p><b>SB 1531 (Speier)</b></p> <p>Amended: 07/25/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM APPR</p>	<p><b>Health care coverage</b></p>	<p>Existing law provides for the regulation of health care service plans by the Department of Managed Health Care and for the regulation of health insurers by the Department of Insurance. Under existing law, a violation of the provisions governing health care service plans is punishable as a crime. This bill would expand eligibility for the guaranteed issuance of a Medicare supplement policy to include an individual enrolled in a Medicare+Choice plan if the plan reduces its benefits, increases the cost-sharing amount, or discontinues for other than good cause relating to the quality of care, a provider currently furnishing services to the individual. The bill would expand the ability of a qualified applicant to obtain a Medicare supplement policy or contract by, among other things, deleting the age requirement and expanding the open enrollment timeframe, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1531&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=sb_1531&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>SB 1669 (Chesbro)</b></p> <p>Amended: 04/30/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM DESK</p>	<p><b>Health care service plans</b></p>	<p>This bill would require a health care service plan that is providing health care coverage in one of three designated regions of the state to also operate and provide coverage in one of three other designated regions of the state. The bill would also require a health care service plan to provide full advance disclosure to its subscribers and enrollees prior to terminating its operations and coverage in any of these regions.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1669&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=sb_1669&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>SB 1727 (Soto)</b></p> <p>Amended: 07/01/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM</p>	<p><b>University of California: Pharmaceutical Evaluation Commission</b></p>	<p>Existing law provides for various prescription drug programs. This bill would request the Regents of the University of California to establish a Pharmaceutical Evaluation Commission (commission) consisting of 7 members with certain experience and training. The bill would provide that the commission construct a list of reference drugs, as defined, for various therapeutic classes that are evaluated based on evidence-based health care literature, as defined, using certain criteria. The bill would request the Regents of the University of California to solicit and accept public and private funds to carry out its provisions. The bill would provide that its provisions be implemented only if the Regents of the University of</p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>

HEALTH		<p>California and other interested parties have received sufficient private funding to finance the commission .</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1727&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1727&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	
<p><b>SB 2040 (McPherson)</b></p> <p>Amended: 05/23/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM APPR</p>	<p><b>Arthritis prevention and control</b></p>	<p>This bill would establish the Arthritis Prevention and Control Act, which would require the department to establish, promote, and maintain the Arthritis Prevention and Control Program, to promote public awareness and education, and appropriate treatment for persons with arthritis and their families. The bill would provide that the program shall emphasize the needs of persons in medically underserved ethnically diverse communities.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_2040&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_2040&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>SJR 37 (Romero)</b></p> <p>Amended: 05/13/2002</p> <p>Chaptered: 05/30/2002</p>	<p><b>Alzheimer's disease</b></p>	<p>The measure would memorialize the President and Congress to immediately invest in various activities to prevent Alzheimer's disease, such as increasing the number of large-scale clinical trials, increasing funding of Alzheimer's disease research grants, launching an initiative on vascular disease and dementia, conducting additional research on Alzheimer's disease risk factors, and developing specified early detection methods. This bill contains other existing laws. Sposored by the Alzheimer's Assn.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sjr_37&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sjr_37&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	

### Skilled Nursing Facilities

<p><b>AB 2329 (Florez)</b></p> <p>Amended: 05/09/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM JUD (stalled)</p>	<p><b>Health facilities: plans of correction</b></p>	<p>Existing law provides that the State Department of Health Services may provide consulting services upon request to a health facility to assist in the identification or correction of deficiencies or the upgrading of the quality of the care provided by the health facility. This bill would provide that the plan is admissible in a legal action or administrative proceeding if it is probative on an issue other than as an admission by the health facility, its licensee, or personnel of the violation that led the plan to be developed. This bill contains other existing laws.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2329&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2329&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Oppos</b></p>
<p><b>SB 1824 (Ortiz)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/20/2002</p>	<p><b>Long-term health care facilities: status changes and patient transfers</b></p>	<p>This bill would revise the provisions relating to the transfer of long-term health care facility patients, by, among other things, replacing references to a 'patient' in these facilities with the term 'resident.' The bill would also require the facility to obtain a social and physical functioning assessment, as well as a medical assessment, of each patient prior to giving the patient notice of the transfer. This bill would give a resident the right to remain in the facility for up to 60 days after notification of the intent to transfer, if an appropriate</p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>

<p>Location: ASM HEALTH (stalled)</p>	<p>placement has not been made, and would impose staffing requirements upon facilities under these conditions. This bill would revise the procedures for submission by a facility, and review and approval by the department, of relocation plans for 10 or more residents. By changing the definition of an existing crime, this bill would create a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1824&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=sb_1824&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>
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<p><b>AB 2077 (Koretz)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/12/2002</p> <p>Location: 08/07/2002 SENATE EDUCATION</p>	<p><b>Nursing: education resources</b></p>	<p>This bill would establish the Community College Nursing Education Fund, which would be administered by the chancellor on behalf of the board of governors, to make additional allocations per nursing student, as defined, to eligible community college districts, as defined, that are beyond the FTES allocation for students that are not nursing students , with priority consideration in the allocation of funds to those community college districts that demonstrate certain factors, including the receipt of matching funds or contributions . This bill contains other related provisions.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2077&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=ab_2077&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>AB 2202 (Alquist)</b></p> <p>Amended: 06/05/2002</p> <p>Location: 08/05/2002 SENATE APPROP- RIATIONS</p>	<p><b>Gerontology: service delivery personnel: training</b></p>	<p>The bill would require the CSU system to provide academic courses and training in the field of gerontology for specified professional service delivery personnel. The bill would impose requirements on each CSU campus that educates professional service delivery personnel, relating to curriculum guidelines and recruitment. The bill would require the trustees to submit a progress report to the Legislature on or before a specified date, on the status of the establishment and implementation of the gerontology curricula required by the bill. This bill contains other existing laws.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_2202&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=ab_2202&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>SB 1493 (Alpert)</b></p> <p>Amended: 05/07/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM CONSENT CALENDAR</p>	<p><b>Nursing education</b></p>	<p>This bill would establish a nursing shortage pilot project in San Diego County under the administration of the State Department of Education. The project would consist of nursing academies at each of 4 public high schools in that county. This bill contains other related provisions.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_1493&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery? bill_number=sb_1493&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>
<p><b>SB 2008 (Speier)</b></p>	<p><b>Nursing: Assumption</b></p>	<p>This bill would establish, until January 1, 2010, an Assumption Program of Loans for Nursing Education, under the administration</p>	<p><b>Watch</b></p>

<p>Amended: 05/23/2002</p> <p>Location: ASM APPR</p>	<p><b>Program of Loans for Nursing Education</b></p>	<p>of the Student Aid Commission, with provisions similar to APLE. Under the Assumption Program of Loans for Nursing Education, an applicant enrolled in a participating institution of postsecondary education, or an applicant who agrees to participate in an associate degree program, a baccalaureate degree program, or an entry-level master's degree program, or any other precicensure registered nursing program approved by the Board of Registered Nursing, and who further agrees to provide at least 4 years of full-time or full-time equivalent service as a registered nurse in a general acute care hospital, as defined, a community clinic, free clinic, or a clinic conducted, maintained, or operated by a federally recognized Indian tribe or tribal organization, as defined, or an acute psychiatric hospital, as defined, would be eligible to enter into an agreement for loan assumption. This bill contains other related provisions.</p> <p><a href="http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_2008&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B">www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_2008&amp;sess=CUR&amp;house=B</a></p>
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