

CSR Legislative Report 1/10/2025

Watch

AB 83 (Pacheco D) Department of Financial Protection and Innovation: elder abuse prevention plan.

Current Text: Introduced: 12/20/2024 html pdf

Introduced: 12/20/2024

Status: 1/6/2025-Read first time. **Location:** 12/20/2024-A. PRINT

Summary: Existing law establishes in the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency a Department of Financial Protection and Innovation under the direction of the Commissioner of Financial Protection and Innovation. Under existing law, the department has charge of the execution of specified laws relating to various financial institutions and financial products and services. This bill would direct the department to require companies to submit to the department an elder abuse prevention plan.

ABX1 1 (Gabriel D) Budget Act of 2024.

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Status: 1/9/2025-Referred to Com. on Budget. (Ayes 48. Noes 17.)

Location: 1/9/2025-A. BUDGET

Calendar: 1/14/2025 9:00 a.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100 ASSEMBLY BUDGET, GABRIEL, JESSE, Chair **Summary:** The Budget Act of 2024 made appropriations for the support of state government for the 2024–25 fiscal year. This bill would amend the Budget Act of 2024 by making changes to existing

appropriations, as provided. This bill contains other related provisions.

ACA 1 (Valencia D) Public finance.

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Status: 12/3/2024-From printer. May be heard in committee January 2.

Location: 12/2/2024-A. PRINT

Summary: The California Constitution prohibits the total annual appropriations subject to limitation of the State and of each local government from exceeding the appropriations limit of the entity of government for the prior year adjusted for the change in the cost of living and the change in population. The California Constitution defines "appropriations subject to limitation" of the State for these purposes. The California Constitution establishes the Budget Stabilization Account and requires, for every fiscal year and based on the Budget Act for that fiscal year, the Controller to transfer from the General Fund to the Budget Stabilization Account, no later than October 1, a sum equal to 1.5% of the estimated amount of General Fund revenues for that fiscal year. The California Constitution requires other transfers between the General Fund and the Budget Stabilization Account, as specified. The California Constitution prohibits the amount transferred pursuant to these provisions for any fiscal year from exceeding an amount that would result in a balance in the account that, when the transfer is made, exceeds 10% of the amount of the General Fund proceeds of taxes for the fiscal year estimate, as specified. This measure would change the 1.5% required transfer to an undetermined percentage of the estimated amount of General Fund revenues for that fiscal year. The measure would change the 10% limit on the balance in the Budget Stabilization Account to 20% of the amount of the General Fund proceeds of taxes for the fiscal year estimate, as specified. The measure would specify that funds transferred under these provisions to the Budget Stabilization Account do not constitute appropriations subject to the above-described annual appropriations limit.

ACA 2 (<u>Jackson</u> D) Legislature: retirement.

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Summary: The California Constitution prohibits Members of the Legislature from accruing any pension or retirement benefit other than participation in the federal Social Security program as a result of legislative service. This measure, the Legislative Diversification Act, would repeal that prohibition and instead require the Legislature to establish a retirement system for Members elected to or serving in

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the Legislature on or after November 1, 2010. The measure would require a Member to serve at least 10 years in the Legislature to be eligible to receive benefits under the retirement system. The measure would authorize a Member who serves fewer than 10 years to transfer the service credit earned as a result of service in the Legislature to any other public employees' pension or retirement system in which the Member participates.

SB 40 (Wiener D) Health care coverage: insulin.

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Status: 1/6/2025-Read first time. **Location:** 12/3/2024-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law, the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975, provides for the licensure and regulation of health care service plans by the Department of Managed Health Care and makes a willful violation of the act's requirements a crime. Existing law provides for the regulation of health insurers by the Department of Insurance. Existing law requires a health care service plan contract or disability insurance policy issued, amended, delivered, or renewed on or after January 1, 2000, that covers prescription benefits to include coverage for insulin if it is determined to be medically necessary. This bill would generally prohibit a health care service plan contract or disability insurance policy issued, amended, delivered, or renewed on or after January 1, 2026, from imposing a copayment of more than \$35 for a 30-day supply of an insulin prescription drug or imposing a deductible, coinsurance, or any other cost sharing on an insulin prescription drug, except as specified. On and after January 1, 2026, the bill would prohibit a health care service plan or disability insurer from imposing step therapy protocols as a prerequisite to authorizing coverage of insulin. Because a willful violation of these provisions by a health care service plan would be a crime, the bill would impose a statemandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 41 (Wiener D) Pharmacy benefits.

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Status: 1/6/2025-Read first time. **Location:** 12/3/2024-S. RLS.

Summary: Existing law, the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975, provides for the licensure and regulation of health care service plans by the Department of Managed Health Care, and makes a willful violation of the act a crime. Existing law requires a pharmacy benefit manager under contract with a health care service plan to, among other things, register with the Department of Managed Health Care. Existing law provides for the regulation of health insurers by the Department of Insurance. This bill would additionally require a pharmacy benefit manager to apply for and obtain a license from the Department of Insurance to operate as a pharmacy benefit manager no later than January 1, 2027. The bill would establish application qualifications and requirements, and would require initial license and renewal fees to be collected into the newly created Pharmacy Benefit Manager Account in the Insurance Fund to be available to the department for use, upon appropriation by the Legislature, as specified, for costs related to licensing and regulating pharmacy benefit managers. The bill would impose specified duties on pharmacy benefit managers and requirements for pharmacy benefit manager services and pharmacy benefit manager contracts, including requiring a pharmacy benefit manager to file specified reports with the department, the contents of which are not to be disclosed to the public. The bill would require the department, at specified intervals, to submit reports to the Legislature based on the reports submitted by pharmacy benefit managers, and would require the department to post the reports on the department's internet website. This bill would make a violation of these provisions subject to specified civil penalties. The bill would create the Pharmacy Benefit Manager Fines and Penalties Account in the General Fund, into which fines and administrative penalties would be deposited. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SBX1 1 (Wiener D) Budget Act of 2024.

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Location: 1/9/2025-S. BUDGET & F.R.

Calendar: 1/14/2025 2 p.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1200 SENATE BUDGET AND FISCAL

REVIEW, WIENER, SCOTT, Chair

Summary: The Budget Act of 2024 made appropriations for the support of state government for the 2024–25 fiscal year. This bill would amend the Budget Act of 2024 by making changes to existing appropriations, as provided. This bill contains other related provisions.

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