

OTAC
Bi-Weekly Bill Summary Friday, April 19, 2024

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[AB 2200](#) (Kalra D) Guaranteed Health Care for All.

Status: 4/10/2024-Re-referred to Com. on HEALTH.

Location: 3/21/2024-A. HEALTH

Calendar: 4/23/2024 3:00 PM TO 4:00 PM - 1021 O Street, Room 1100 ASSEMBLY HEALTH SPECIAL ORDER, BONTA, MIA, Chair

Summary: 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. Current law provides for the regulation of health insurers by the Department of Insurance. Current law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid program provisions. This bill, the California Guaranteed Health Care for All Act, would create the California Guaranteed Health Care for All program, or CalCare, to provide comprehensive universal single-payer health care coverage and a health care cost control system for the benefit of all residents of the state. The bill, among other things, would provide that CalCare cover a wide range of medical benefits and other services and would incorporate the health care benefits and standards of other existing federal and state provisions, including the federal Children's Health Insurance Program, Medi-Cal, ancillary health care or social services covered by regional centers for persons with developmental disabilities, Knox-Keene, and the federal Medicare Program. The bill would make specified persons eligible to enroll as CalCare members during the implementation period, and would provide for automatic enrollment.

Position

Watch

[AB 2725](#) (Rubio, Blanca D) Teacher credentialing: administrative services credential: occupational and physical therapists.

Status: 4/16/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Location: 4/10/2024-A. APPR.

Summary: Current law requires the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to, among other things, establish standards for the issuance and renewal of credentials, certificates, and permits. This bill would provide that a valid license to practice occupational therapy or physical therapy and verification of meeting a basic skills requirement, as specified, and 3 years of experience as a school-based occupational therapist or physical therapist may be used to satisfy respective requirements for a preliminary services credential with a specialization in administrative services, as provided.

Position

Sponsor/Support
w/ letter

[AB 2756](#) (Boerner D) Pelvic Floor and Core Conditioning Pilot Program.

Status: 4/11/2024-In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.

Location: 3/4/2024-A. HEALTH

Calendar: 4/23/2024 1:30 p.m. - 1021 O Street, Room 1100 ASSEMBLY HEALTH, BONTA, MIA, Chair

Summary: Would, commencing January 1, 2026, until January 1, 2029, authorize the County of San Diego to establish a pilot program for pelvic floor and core conditioning group classes that would be provided to people twice a week between their 6 to 12 week postpartum window to help people rebuild their pelvic floor after pregnancy. The bill would require the program to record specified information to directly assess pelvic floor changes, and would require the program to annually report all the information and outcomes to the department. The bill would require the department to provide a final report on the program to the Legislature by June 1, 2029.

Position

Watch

1(b)

AB 2289 (Low D) Vehicles: parking placards and special license plates for disabled veterans and persons with disabilities.

Status: 4/11/2024-Re-referred to Com. on APPR. pursuant to Assembly Rule 96.

Location: 4/11/2024-A. APPR.

Summary: Current law authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to issue a temporary distinguishing placard bearing a specified symbol to a disabled veteran or person with a disability, as specified. Prior to issuing a placard or license plate, current law requires the submission of a certificate signed by a physician and surgeon, nurse practitioner, certified nurse-midwife, or physician assistant, substantiating the disability, as specified, unless the applicant's disability is readily observable and uncontested. Prior to issuing a temporary distinguishing placard, current law requires the submission of a certificate substantiating the temporary disability and stating the date upon which the disability is expected to terminate. For the disability of a person who has lost, or has lost use of, one or more lower extremities or one hand, for a disabled veteran, or both hands, for a person with a disability, or who has significant limitation in the use of lower extremities, existing law additionally authorizes a licensed chiropractor to certify these disabilities. This bill would additionally authorize a licensed physical therapist to certify the loss, or loss of use, of the lower extremities or hands, as described above. The bill would also authorize a physical therapist to substantiate a temporary disability for the purpose of issuing a temporary distinguishing placard.

Position

Watch

SB 607 (Portantino D) Controlled substances.

Status: 1/22/2024-Read third time. Passed. (Ayes 39. Noes 0.) Ordered to the Assembly. In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

Location: 1/22/2024-A. DESK

Summary: Current law requires a prescriber, with certain exceptions, before directly dispensing or issuing for a minor the first prescription for a controlled substance containing an opioid in a single course of treatment, to discuss specified information with the minor, the minor's parent or guardian, or another adult authorized to consent to the minor's medical treatment. This bill would extend that requirement for the prescriber by applying it to any patient, not only a minor, under those circumstances.

Position

Watch

Total Measures: 5