



Contra
Costa
County

To: Board of Supervisors
From: LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
Date: March 28, 2017

Subject: Support for State Legislation of Interest to Contra Costa County

RECOMMENDATION(S):

ADOPT a position of "Support" on the following bills, as recommended by the Contra Costa County Legislation Committee (*Chair Burgis, Vice Chair Mitchoff*) at their March 13, 2017 meeting:

1. AB 210 (Santiago): Homeless Multidisciplinary Personnel Team, a bill that authorizes counties to establish a multidisciplinary team with the goal of facilitating the expedited identification, assessment, and linkage of homeless individuals to housing and supportive services and to allow provider agencies to share information for the purpose of coordinating services;
2. AB 211 (Bigelow): State Responsibility Area Fire Prevention Fees, as amended, a bill that reinstates annual reporting requirements regarding the expenditure of state responsibility area (SRA) fire fees;
3. AB 236 (Maienschein): CalWORKs: Housing Assistance, a bill that adopts changes to CalWORKs housing assistance for temporary shelter to remove the requirement that the assistance only be available for a consecutive period of time, increase the daily assistance amount, and make the assistance available to certain families receiving reunification services through the child welfare services system;

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☒ APPROVE

☐ OTHER

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF CNTY ADMINISTRATOR

☒ RECOMMENDATION OF BOARD COMMITTEE

Action of Board On: **03/28/2017** ☒ APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED ☐ OTHER

Clerks Notes:

VOTE OF SUPERVISORS

AYE: Candace Andersen, District II
Supervisor
Diane Burgis, District III
Supervisor
Karen Mitchoff, District IV
Supervisor
Federal D. Glover, District V
Supervisor

ABSENT: John Gioia, District I
Supervisor

I hereby certify that this is a true and correct copy of an action taken and entered on the minutes of the Board of Supervisors on the date shown.

ATTESTED: March 28, 2017

David Twa, County Administrator and Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By: June McHuen, Deputy

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RECOMMENDATION(S): (CONT'D)

AB 435 (Thurmond): Child Care Subsidy Plans: County of Contra Costa, a bill that authorizes the County of Contra Costa to develop and submit an individualized county child care subsidy plan; and

- SB 222 (Hernandez): Inmates: Health Care Enrollment, a bill that requires the suspension of Medi-Cal benefits to end on the date he or she is no longer an inmate of a public institution or is no longer otherwise eligible for benefits under the Medi-Cal program.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no direct impact to the County related to the advocacy for these bills.

BACKGROUND:

At its March 13, 2017 meeting, the Legislation Committee considered and voted unanimously to support the following bills:

1. AB 210 (Santiago): Homeless Multidisciplinary Personnel Team, a bill that authorizes counties to establish a multidisciplinary team with the goal of facilitating the expedited identification, assessment, and linkage of homeless individuals to housing and supportive services and to allow provider agencies to share information for the purpose of coordinating services; (*Attachment A*)
2. AB 211 (Bigelow): State Responsibility Area Fire Prevention Fees, a bill that reinstates annual reporting requirements regarding the expenditure of state responsibility area (SRA) fire fees; (*Attachment B*)
3. AB 236 (Maienschein): CalWORKs: Housing Assistance, a bill that adopts changes to CalWORKs housing assistance for temporary shelter to remove the requirement that the assistance only be available for a consecutive period of time, increase the daily assistance amount, and make the assistance available to certain families receiving reunification services through the child welfare services system; (*Attachment C*)
4. AB 435 (Thurmond): Child Care Subsidy Plans: County of Contra Costa, a bill that authorizes the County of Contra Costa to develop and submit an individualized county child care subsidy plan; (*Attachment D*) and
5. SB 222 (Hernandez): Inmates: Health Care Enrollment, a bill that requires the suspension of Medi-Cal benefits to end on the date he or she is no longer an inmate of a public institution or is no longer otherwise eligible for benefits under the Medi-Cal program. (*Attachment E*)

AB 210 was recommended for support by Lavonna Martin, Director of the Health, Housing, and Homeless Services Division, and Dr. Walker, Director of Health Services.

Disposition: Pending

Committee: [Assembly Human Services Committee](#)

Hearing: [04/04/2017 1:30 pm, State Capitol, Room 437](#)

AB 211 is related to bills previously supported by the Board of Supervisors. Although the adopted 2017 State Platform does not contain a policy that relates directly to the fire prevention fee, the Board of Supervisors in 2012 supported a bill that would repeal the fee (AB 1506), and the Board of Supervisors also supported AB 203 (Obernolte) in 2015 which would have extended the period for paying or disputing a fire prevention fee from 30 days to 60 days from the date of assessment. (AB 203 died in committee)

Disposition: Pending

Location: Assembly Appropriations Committee

AB 236 was recommend for support by the Employment and Human Services Department (EHSD).

Disposition: Pending

Location: Assembly Appropriations Committee

AB 435 was recommended for support by Camilla Rand, Director of the Community Services Bureau of EHSD. It is sponsored by First 5 Contra Costa and the Contra Costa County Office of Education.

Disposition: Pending

Location: Assembly Human Services Committee

SB 222 was recommended for support by EHSD and the Director of the Office of Reentry and Justice.

Disposition: Pending

Committee: [Senate Health Committee](#)

Hearing: [04/05/2017 1:30 pm, John L. Burton Hearing Room \(4203\)](#)

CONSEQUENCE OF NEGATIVE ACTION:

The Board will not have an official position on these bills from which to advocate unless action is taken.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A: AB 210 Bill Text

Attachment B: AB 211 Bill Text

Attachment C: AB 236 Bill Text

Attachment D: AB 435 Bill Text

Attachment E: SB 222 Bill Text

