

as of Thursday, April 23, 2015

[AB 449](#) ([Irwin D](#)) **Income taxation: savings plans: Qualified ABLE Program.**

Current Text: Amended: 3/19/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 3/23/2015-A. REV. & TAX SUSPENSE FILE

Calendar: 4/27/2015 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 126 ASSEMBLY REVENUE AND TAXATION SUSPENSE, TING, Chair

Summary: Current federal law, the Stephen Beck Jr., Achieving a Better Life Experience Act of 2014 (ABLE) Act, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2015, encourages and assists individuals and families to save private funds for the purpose of supporting persons with disabilities to maintain their health, independence, and quality of life by excluding from gross income distributions used for qualified disability expenses by a beneficiary of a qualified ABLE program established and maintained by a state, as specified. This bill would conform to these federal income tax law provisions relating to the ABLE Act under the Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Income Tax Law, as provided.

[AB 571](#) ([Brown D](#)) **Property taxation.**

Current Text: Introduced: 2/24/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 3/9/2015-A. REV. & TAX

Calendar: 4/27/2015 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 126 ASSEMBLY REVENUE AND TAXATION, TING, Chair

Summary: The California Constitution and existing property tax law authorize persons over the age of 55 and persons who are severely and permanently disabled, as specified, to transfer the base year value, as defined, of property to replacement property, if certain conditions are met. This bill would additionally authorize the transfer of the base year value of property to replacement property for persons who have a severely and permanently disabled child.

[AB 987](#) ([Levine D](#)) **Employment discrimination, unlawful employment practices.**

Current Text: Introduced: 2/26/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 4/22/2015-A. SECOND READING

Calendar: 4/23/2015 #26 ASSEMBLY ASSEMBLY SECOND READING FILE

Summary: Would prohibit an employer or other covered entity from retaliating or otherwise discriminating against a person for requesting accommodation of his or her disability or religious beliefs, regardless of whether the accommodation request was granted. The bill would make related findings and declarations. This bill contains other existing laws.

[AB 1335](#) ([Atkins D](#)) **Building Homes and Jobs Act.**

Current Text: Amended: 4/20/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 4/21/2015-A. H. & C.D.

Calendar: 4/29/2015 9 a.m. - State Capitol, Room 126 ASSEMBLY HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CHAU, Chair

Summary: Would enact the Building Homes and Jobs Act. The bill would make legislative findings and declarations relating to the need for establishing permanent, ongoing sources of funding dedicated to affordable housing development. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position

[SB 490](#) (Beall D) Regional centers: audits.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/26/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 4/22/2015-S. SECOND READING

Calendar: 4/23/2015 #6 SENATE SENATE BILLS-SECOND READING FILE

Summary: Would require an entity to obtain an independent audit or review report of its financial statements relating to payments made by regional centers if it receives payments between \$500,000 and \$2,000,000 from one or more regional centers and would authorize these entities to apply for, and require the regional center to grant, a 2-year exemption from this requirement if the regional center does not find issues in the audit or review that have an impact on regional center services.

Position

Support and
Comment

[SB 644](#) (Hancock D) Limited Examination and Appointment Program: persons with developmental disabilities.

Current Text: Amended: 4/7/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 4/14/2015-S. APPR.

Calendar: 4/27/2015 10 a.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, LARA, Chair

Summary: Current law authorizes the Department of Human Resources to conduct competitive examinations to determine eligibility for appointment under LEAP and requires the department to refer the names of eligible applicants who meet the minimum qualifications of a job classification to the appointing powers for examination appointments as specified. This bill would preclude an examination for a person with a developmental disability from including a written examination or readiness evaluation and would, instead, require that the competitive examination consist of an internship with a state agency that is not less than 1,024 hours in duration and require the department to refer the names of eligible applicants who successfully complete the internship to the appointing powers for examination appointments.

[SB 589](#) (Block D) Voting: voter registration: individuals with disabilities and conservatees.

Current Text: Amended: 4/6/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 4/22/2015-S. JUD.

Calendar: 4/28/2015 1:30 p.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203) SPECIAL ORDER
AT 1:30 P.M. SENATE JUDICIARY, JACKSON, Chair

Summary: Would authorize an individual with a disability who is otherwise qualified to vote to complete an affidavit of registration with reasonable accommodations as needed. The bill would also authorize an individual with a disability who is under a conservatorship to be registered to vote if he or she has not been disqualified from voting. The bill would authorize an affiant who is an individual with a disability to complete the affidavit of registration with reasonable accommodations as needed. The bill would find and declare that by explicitly adding the concept of reasonable accommodation to state laws on voter qualification, the bill brings the state into compliance with federal standards. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Tracking:

[AB 286](#) **(Achadjian R) Developmental services: supported living services.**

Current Text: Introduced: 2/11/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 2/23/2015-A. HUM. S.

Summary: The Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act requires the State Department of Developmental Services to contract with regional centers to provide services and supports, including supported living services, to individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. This bill would require direct care workers providing supported living services to satisfactorily complete 15 hours of training in behavioral intervention within 3 months from the date the provider was hired.

[AB 563](#) **(Lopez D) Developmental services.**

Current Text: Amended: 4/21/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 4/22/2015-A. AGING & L.T.C.

Summary: Would require the State Department of Developmental Services and the California Department of Aging to develop best practices for providing services and supports to aging consumers with developmental and intellectual disabilities, as specified. The bill would require the State Department of Developmental Services to conduct a 2-year pilot program that implements those best practices in 3 regional centers that reflect the geographic diversity of California and, after the conclusion of the pilot program, by January 1, 2020, submit a report, as specified, evaluating the pilot program to the Legislature. These provisions would be repealed January 1, 2021.

[AB 564](#) **(Eggman D) Regional centers: parental fees.**

Current Text: Amended: 4/22/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 4/22/2015-A. HUM. S.

Summary: Current law requires the Director of Developmental Services to establish, annually review, and adjust as needed, a schedule of parental fees for services received through the regional centers. This bill would require the Director of Developmental Services to account for major unusual expenses in establishing the amount of the parental fee, and to adjust the parental fee schedule for the level of annual gross income and the number of persons living in the family home.

[SB 638](#) **(Stone R) Developmental services: funding.**

Current Text: Amended: 4/21/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 4/21/2015-S. HUM. S.

Summary: Would require the State Department of Developmental Services to submit a plan to the Legislature by August 1, 2016, to ensure the sustainability, quality, and transparency of community-based services for individuals with developmental disabilities. The bill would require the department to regularly consult with stakeholders in developing the plan and would require the plan to address specified topics, including, among others, recommendations for a comprehensive approach to funding regional center operations in a sustainable and transparent manner that provides incentives for regional centers to deliver high-quality services to consumers.

other existing laws.

AB 1404 (Grove R) Income taxes: credit: employees with disabilities.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/27/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 3/26/2015-A. REV. & TAX

Summary: The Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law allow various credits against the taxes imposed by those laws. This bill, for taxable years beginning January 1, 2016, would allow a credit under those laws to an employer who employs in this state, an individual with a disability who may be paid a special minimum wage, and pays the qualified employee a wage equal to or exceeding the minimum wage during the taxable year. The credit would be allowed in an amount equal to the difference between the special minimum wage and the minimum wage. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 1405 (Grove R) Developmental centers: closure.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/27/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 4/9/2015-A. HUM. S.

Summary: Would require the State Department of Developmental Services to close the Fairview Developmental Center and the Sonoma Developmental Center on or before an unspecified date. The bill would create a taskforce for to determine the use of the properties and a plan for benefiting individuals with developmental disabilities in community-based programs and settings, and would require the task force to consist of 15 members, as specified This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 243 (Hernandez D) Medi-Cal: reimbursement: provider rates.

Current Text: Amended: 4/13/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Location: 4/22/2015-S. APPR.

Summary: Would require claims for payments pursuant to the inpatient hospital reimbursement methodology as described to be increased by 16 percent for the 2015-16 fiscal year, and would require, commencing July 1, 2016, and annually thereafter, the State Department of Health Care Services to increase each diagnosis-related group payment claim amount based , at a minimum, on increases in the medical component of the California Consumer Price Index. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws