

Bill Track as of 10/2015	
Bill Number and Author	Summary
<b>SPECIAL SESSION LEGISLATION</b>	
<b>SBX2 1 Beall</b> Developmental Services	This bill would require the department, subject to an appropriation by the Legislature for these purposes, to increase the funding paid to a regional center for the regional center's operating budget by 10%, and to increase funding to enable the regional center and the regional center's purchase-of-service vendors to fund certain costs related to minimum wage requirements. The bill would also require the department to develop a 10-year financial sustainability plan to ensure that the state's community-based developmental services system effectively serves all individuals with developmental disabilities. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws. (Based on text date 9/3/2015)
<b>SBX2 2 Hernandez</b> Medi-Cal: developmental services: provider rate increases.	Current law establishes the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, and under which qualified, low-income individuals receive health care services. Current law provides for the reimbursement of providers under the Medi-Cal program. The bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact statutory changes that would stabilize funding for the Medi-Cal program and provide rate increases for providers of Medi-Cal and developmental services. This bill contains other current laws.
<b>SBX2 3 Hernandez</b> Medi-Cal: developmental services: funding: access	Current law establishes the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, and under which qualified, low-income individuals receive health care services. This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature that would enact legislation to establish funding sources and mechanisms to provide additional support and access to services for the state's Medi-Cal and developmental services programs. This bill contains other current laws.
<b>SBX2 4 Nielsen</b> Developmental services: Medi-Cal: rate increases.	Would, to the extent that General Fund revenues for the 2014-15 fiscal year exceed the revenues estimated for that fiscal year in the Budget Act of 2015 and that General Fund revenues for the 2015-16 fiscal year are expected to exceed the revenues estimated for that fiscal year in the Budget Act of 2015, appropriate certain sums to the State Department of Developmental Services to increase rates for certain developmental service providers and to increase regional center operating budgets, and appropriate certain sums to the State Department of Health Care Services for the purpose of increasing Medi-Cal provider rates for providers whose rates were reduced.
<b>SBX2 11 Stone</b> Developmental services: developmental center closures.	Would require the Department of Finance, upon the closure of the Sonoma Developmental Center, Fairview Developmental Center, or the nonsecured portion of the Porterville Developmental Center, to deposit the net savings from the closure of each center, as defined, into the Lanterman Act Community-Based Services Fund, s newly created fund. The bill would make the moneys in the fund available to the department, upon appropriation, to be used to supplement existing purchase-of-service funds used by regional centers to purchase services and supports for persons with developmental disabilities
<b>SBX2 12 McGuire</b> Developmental centers: downsizing and closures: funds.	Would, commencing January 1, 2017, require the Department of Finance to include in the Governor's Budget and the May Revision a report on the estimated net savings derived from the downsizing or closure of developmental centers in the previous fiscal year, including the net savings calculated by computing the difference between the total General Fund savings or gains reasonably associated with the downsizing or closure of a developmental center and the aggregate General Fund costs of care of all consumers who move from a developmental center and into the community, as specified. This bill contains other existing laws.
<b>SBX2 14 Hernandez</b> Tobacco: electronic cigarettes: taxes: managed care organization provider tax: in-home supportive services.	Would expand the definition of tobacco products for purposes of the Cigarette and Tobacco Products Licensing Act of 2003 to include electronic cigarettes, as defined, thereby subjecting manufacturers, importers, distributors, wholesalers, and retailers of electronic cigarettes to the same licensing requirements imposed pursuant to the act on manufacturers, importers, distributors, wholesalers, and retailers of tobacco products. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.
<b>ABX2 1 Bonta</b> Medi-Cal: Developmental Services funding	Would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that establishes funding sources and mechanisms in order to provide additional support for, and access to, Medi-Cal and developmental services and that uses those funding sources and mechanisms to increase access, ensure network adequacy, improve quality, and minimize geographic and service shortages in the Medi-Cal program and to increase access to services provided through regional centers. This bill contains other existing laws.
<b>ABX2 2 Bonta</b> Medi-Cal and developmental services: funding: rates.	Would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to stabilize funding for the Medi-Cal program and to provide rate increases for Medi-Cal and developmental services providers. This bill contains other existing laws.
<b>ABX2 3 Chu</b> Developmental Services: provider rates: minimum wage	Would authorize an adjustment in prescribed provider rates as necessary to adjust employee wages to meet the state minimum wage law. This bill contains other existing laws.

<b>ABX2 4 Levine</b> Managed care organization provider tax.	Would repeal the support services sales tax and would establish a new managed care organization provider tax, to be administered by the State Department of Health Care Services in consultation with the Department of Managed Health Care. The tax would be assessed by the department on licensed health care service plans and managed care plans contracted with the department to provide Medi-Cal services, except as excluded by the bill.	
<b>ABX2 5 Santiago</b> Developmental services: regional center contracts	Would require all regional center contracts or agreements with contracting entities that provide in-home respite services and that have an annual revenue attributable to in-home respite services provided to regional center consumers of at least \$7,000,000, as specified, to expressly require that at least 85% of regional center funds be spent on direct service expenditures, as defined. This bill contains other existing laws.	
<b>ABX2 18 Bonilla</b> Taxation: distilled spirits: Cocktails for Healthy Outcomes Act.	This bill, on and after January 1, 2017, would impose a surtax on every individual for each purchase of a cocktail from an on-sale licensee for consumption or other use on the licensed, in-state premises of that on-sale licensee at the rate of \$0.05 per cocktail, as defined. This bill would require the surtax rate to be adjusted annually, as specified. This bill would require an on-sale licensee to separately state and collect the surtax from an individual, as specified.	
<b>BILLS SIGNED BY GOVERNOR IN 2015</b>		
<b>SB 11 Beall</b> Peace officer training: mental health	10/3/2015 Chaptered	This bill would require Peace Officer Standards & Training (POST) to include in its basic training course in its basic training course an evidence-based behavioral health classroom training course to train law enforcement officers to recognize, deescalate, and refer persons with mental illness or intellectual disability who are in crisis.
<b>SB 29 Beall</b> Peace officer training: mental health	10/3/2015 Chaptered	This bill would require Peace Officer Standards & Training (POST) to require field training officers who are instructors for the field training program to have 40 hours of evidence-based behavioral health training.
<b>SB 172 Liu</b> Pupil testing: high school exit examination: suspension.	10/7/2015 Chaptered	This bill would suspend the administration of the high school exit examination and would remove the high school exit examination as a condition of receiving a diploma of graduation or a condition of graduation from high school for each pupil completing grade 12, for the 2015–16, 2016–17, and 2017–18 school years. The bill would, until July 31, 2018, require the governing board or body of a local educational agency, as defined, and the State Department of Education on behalf of state special schools, to grant a diploma of graduation from high school to any pupil who completed grade 12 in the 2003–04 school year or a subsequent school year and has met all applicable graduation requirements other than the passage of the high school exit examination.
<b>SB 644 Hancock</b> State employment: Limited Examination and Appointment Program.	9/28/2015 Chaptered	This bill would require the competitive examination for a person with an intellectual or developmental disability, as defined, to consist of a competitive 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. The bill would also authorize a state agency that provides the internship or appoints a person with an intellectual or developmental disability to a position under LEAP to allow that person to receive on-the-job support and finance the internship or position with personnel funds assigned to a vacant or unfilled position, as specified.
<b>AB 881 Garcia</b> Pupils: grounds for suspension and expulsion: bullying	7/14/2015 Chaptered	Current law prohibits the suspension, or recommendation for expulsion, of a pupil from school unless the superintendent of the school district or the principal of the school determines that the pupil has committed any of various specified acts, including, but not limited to, engaging in an act of bullying by means of electronic act. This bill would for purposes of pupil suspension or recommendation for expulsion from a school, define “electronic act” as either the creation of transmission of that communication, as specified.
<b>AB 918 Stone</b> Health and care facilities: seclusion and behavioral restraints	9/28/2015 Chaptered	This bill would require the department to ensure the consistent, timely, and public reporting of data it receives from regional centers and other specified facilities regarding the use of physical or chemical restraint and to publish that information on its Internet Web site.  This bill would also require regional center vendors that provide residential services or supported living services, long-term health care facilities, as defined, and acute psychiatric hospitals, as defined, to report each death or serious injury of a person occurring during, or related to, the use of seclusion, physical restraint, or chemical restraint, as specified.

<b>BILLS AWAITING GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE</b>		
<b>AB 449 Irwin</b> Individuals with disabilities: savings accounts ABLE ACT	9/17/2015 Enrolled	Existing federal law, the Achieving a Better Life Experience (ABLE) Act, would create tax-free savings accounts for individuals with disabilities. The ABLE Act aims to ease financial strains faced by individuals with disabilities by making tax-free savings accounts available to cover qualified expenses. This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would implement the federal ABLE Act in California to ensure that people with disabilities can save for the future to achieve greater independence.
<b>SB 324 Pavley</b> Individuals with disabilities: savings accounts ABLE ACT	9/11/2015 Enrolled	The Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law, in specified conformity with federal income tax laws regarding qualified tuition programs, provide that distributions from a qualified tuition program are generally not included in the income of the donor or the beneficiary, as specified. This bill would conform to these federal income tax law provisions relating to the ABLE
<b>AB 662 Bonilla</b> Public accommodation: disabled adults: changing facilities	9/11/2015 Enrolled	Would require a person, private firm, organization, or corporation that owns or manages a commercial place of public amusement, as defined, constructed on or after January 1, 2020, or renovated on or after January 1, 2025, to install and maintain at least one adult changing station, as defined.
<b>2016 LEGISLATION</b>		
<b>AB 796 Nazarian</b> Health care coverage: autism and pervasive developmental disorders.	To be reintroduced in 2016	This bill would expand the eligibility for a person to be a qualified autism service professional to include a person who possesses a bachelor of arts or science degree and meets other specified requirements, a registered psychological assistant, a registered psychologist, or an associate clinical social worker. The bill would also expand the eligibility for a person to be a qualified autism service paraprofessional to include a person with a high school diploma or equivalent and, among other things, 6 months experience working with persons with developmental disabilities.
<b>SB 479 Bates</b> Behavior Analyst: Licensure	To be reintroduced in 2016	This bill would declare the intent of the legislature to enact legislation to license and regulate the profession of applied behavioral analysis.