



# CALIFORNIA SENIOR LEGISLATURE

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### CSL LEGISLATIVE SESSION STATE TOP PRIORITIES

**AP-2 Sr. Asy. Member Young-IHSS Provider Auto Insurance.** Bill would prohibit a vehicle covered under an auto liability policy from being classified as a common carrier, etc., solely for the reason that the named insured or applicant is operating or using the vehicle to provide transportation incidental to the provision of the in-home supportive services

**AB 2139 Asy. Member DE LA TORRE. SENATE Bus. & Finance Comm.- 3<sup>d</sup> READING**

**AP-4 Sr. Asy. Member Krohn-Expanded Elder Abuse Reporting.** Bill requires long-term health care facilities and local ombudsmen to report suspected elder abuses to Attorney General and district attorney. **AB 2100 Asy. Members Wolk/Berg/ Krekorian- FAILED**

**AP 10 Sr. Assembly Member Monck- Electronic Prescription Writing.** Would institute a State electronic prescription writing system. Assembly Member Mendoza. AB 2516.  
**FAILED**

**(AP-12) Senior Assembly Member Loh (TWO YEAR BILL) Assembly Member Blakeslee-Elder Abuse: Mandated reporters.** Bill provides if abuse occurs any place other than a long-term care facility, the mandated reporter shall report to the adult protective services agency or the local law enforcement agency. **Assembly Member Blakeslee-AB 1765— FAILED**

**AP -12-Senior Assembly Member Serrin: Senior Shared Housing Option.** Requires HUD Section 8 housing authorization be expanded to allow two bedroom shared rental options for seniors - **Assembly Member Portantino SB 2521- NOTE: REVISED TO AJR 21- Senate Housing & transportation.**

**AP-13 Senior Assembly Member Feingold: Acute Care Hospital Infection Screening.** Requires general acute care hospitals to administer weekly screenings of infections and to publicly disclose the number of patients developing infections. **-SB 1058 Senators Alquist/Florez Assembly Health Committee**

**AP-19 Senior Assembly Member Trotter (2-YEAR BILL). Senior Facility Infrastructure Upgrades. SB-977-Senator Correa.** Bill declares the intent of the legislature to enact legislation that would require the preparation of a statewide study to determine the current and future infrastructure needs created by increases of the elderly persons in the state. **Asy. Aging & Long-term Care Comm.**

**AP-22- Senior Assembly Member Tucker \*(combined with SP-8)-Senior Senator Fromm AB 1900-Assembly Member Nava.** Bill would authorize county board of supervisors, to increase copies of death record to maximum increase of \$3.00 to support senior services.  
**Senate Public Safety**

**(OVER)**

**AP-28 Senior Asy. Member Krohn: Elder Abuse Offender Registry-AB 2051 Asy. Member Anderson** Requires the State to compile elder physical and financial abuse conviction details in an elder abuse offender registry, publicly accessible on the internet. **FAILED**

**Sr. Asy. Member Krohn-AB 2543 –Asy. Member Berg.-WORK FORCE EXPANSION ACT.** Would establish the Geriatric and Gerontology Workforce Expansion Act to provide loan repayment assistance to professional medical workers working in a geriatric care setting, as specified. The fee would be raised \$10. or \$50 as specified. **Senate Business & Professional Comm.**

**SP-16 Sr. Sen. Wright: Oral Health in Nursing Homes.** Requires that the DHS review the oral health component of nursing home treatment plans on a quarterly basis for proper completion and that appropriate referrals to dental professionals be made, with failures reported as abuse.  
**AB 2229 Senator Huffman** **FAILED**

**SP- 18 Sr. Asy. Member Messler – Mellow-Granlund Definition of Disability.**  
Amends Mellow-Granlund Older Californians Act to define disability. **AB 2160 Asy. Member Carter.**  
**Senate Judiciary Comm**

**SP-22-Sr. Senator Goldman-. SB 2460 Asy Member Davis–Housing Loan Counseling**  
Would require lenders to refer prospective senior citizen borrowers to housing loan counseling prior to accepting a final application. **FAILED**

**SP -29 –Sr. Senator Kim-Selby--Senior Volunteer Month.** Proclaims the month of May to honor Volunteers. **Assembly Member Huffman. ACR 111** **--Chaptered 34 by State**  
**NOTE: SENIOR ADVOCATES ARE REQUESTED TO CONTACT THEIR CONGRESSMAN AND URGE THEM TO SPONSOR AND SUPPORT ACR 111.**

## **TOP FEDERAL PRIORITIES**

**SFP 5-Sr. Sen. Lundin–Add section 25405 to the Corporation Code relating to securities. “Broker, Dealers and Investment Advisors”. AB 2149- Assemblymember Berg. CSL-WATCH.**

**AFP- 7 Sr. Asy. Member Loh: Government Negotiated Drug Prices.** Proposal authorizes Medicare to negotiate prices and pass the savings to beneficiaries-**AJR 31 Assembly Member Jones/Machado** -Would urge the President and Congress to negotiate Medicare Prescription Part D of Medicare Moderation Act of 2003. **Senate 3<sup>rd</sup> READING**  
**Health Committee.**

## **CSL SUPPORT AND TRACKING**

**AB 1022 –Assembly Member Saldana – Continuing Home Care Services** –By revising the provisions relating to continuing care provides, this bill would change the definition of an existing crime, thus imposing a state mandated local program. **Senate Human Services comm.**

**AB 1444 – Assembly Member Benoit –Physical Therapists: scope of practice.** California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. **FAILED**

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