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NOTE: CHAPTERED---SEE PAGE 2 FOR DEFINITION

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. VETOED

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- CHAPTERED**

AP-13 Senior Assembly Member Fingold: 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 CHAPTERED**

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 **VETOED**

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. **VETOED**

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. VETOED**

SP -29 –Sr. Senator Kim-Selby--Senior Volunteer Month. Proclaims the month of May to honor Volunteers. **.Assembly Member Huffman. ACR 111 --CHAPTERED**

AJR 21 –Assembly Member Portantino- -State Housing Agencies—Bill would urge Public Housing Agencies to include Section 8 certificates for shared housing. **CHAPTERED**

(OVER)

TOP FEDERAL PRIORITIES

AFP- 7 Sr. Asy. Member Loh: Government Negotiated Drug Prices. Proposal authorizes Medicare to negotiate prices and pass the savings to beneficiaries-AJR 31 Member Jones/Machado -Would urge the President and Congress to negotiate Medicare Prescription Part D of Medicare Moderation Act of 2003. CHAPTERED

STATE LEGISLATION-----CSL SUPPORT AND TRACKING

AB 2149- Assemblymember Berg. Investment advisors
CHAPTERED

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. VETOED

AB 2967 – Assembly Member – Lieber – Health Care Cost and Quality Transparency
PLACED ON INACTIVE FILE—FAILED.

AB 152 – Assembly Member Beall – Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority
VETOED

AB 725 – Assembly Member Lieber – Housing Universal Housing Application
VETOED

AB 2038 – Assembly Member Lieber – Persons with Disabilities – Victims of Crime.
Senate Appropriations Comm.—SUSPENSE FILE--FAILED

AB 2105 – Assembly Member DeSaulnier – Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse.
VETOED

(DEFINITION)

CHAPTERED – SIGNED BY GOVERNOR – NOW CALIFORNIA LAW.

THE CALIFORNIA SENIOR LEGISLATURE (CSL) CONVENED THEIR ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE SESSION, 2008-2009 IN THE STATE CAPITOL, OCTOBER 20 – 22. THE PUBLIC WAS INVITED TO WITNESS DEMOCRACY AT WORK.

PLEASE NOTE: The California State Income Tax form has changed line designations for contributions. The CALIFORNIA FUND FOR SENIORS – *LINE 52 has been changed to CODE 402.* When filing your income tax for 2008, remember your contribution to CSL, Tax Deductible. CSL is again challenged to raise \$250,000 for the year 2009. Your contribution will help to continue legislative advocacy for Seniors.

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