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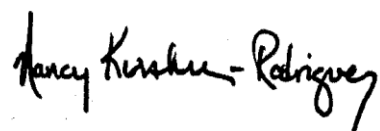
Letter from the Executive Director

California leads the nation in protecting and advancing gender equality. In the 2015–16 legislative session, state lawmakers championed efforts to redress pay inequity, restore funding to the state’s childcare infrastructure, and repeal discriminatory laws, including the CalWORKs Maximum Family Grant Rule. Legislators who sponsored several of the new laws are current members of the California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls.

As a part of the Commission’s ongoing role examining laws, practices, and conditions impacting women and girls in California, we now prioritize compliance with and implementation of new laws. We recently completed an analysis of all newly signed laws, identified those likely to have a significant impact on California’s women and girls, and developed the attached compilation of 145 laws, which includes provisions incorporated into the 2016–2017 State Budget. This compilation also corresponds to the Commission’s statutory priorities: civil and political rights of women; economics and social pressures; the educational needs of women and girls; gender equity in the media; gender in the workplace and employment; health and safety of women and girls; and women in the military, women veterans, and military families. We hope this analysis will be used by agencies at the state and local level as well as businesses, advocates, and researchers. The Commission will monitor implementation of several of these laws in the coming year.

As a government agency, the state commission also spearheads partnerships and initiatives that advance and protect equity, access, and justice for California’s women and girls. In the last two years, these activities have included convening the Commission’s California Pay Equity Task Force; expanding our work with the California Department of Education and UC Davis to advance women and girls in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM); and joining with the California Commission on Aging and California Women’s Law Center to bring attention to the needs of aging women living in poverty.

Thank you for your support of the Commission’s work.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nancy Kirshner-Rodriguez". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nancy Kirshner-Rodriguez

Introduction

For more than 50 years, the California Commission on the Status of Women and Girls has identified and worked to eliminate inequities in state laws, practices, and conditions that affect California's women and girls. Currently, this means we serve the needs of 19.5 million women and girls—62 percent of whom are women and girls of color, and 18 percent of whom live below the federal poverty level. And, despite an increasing number of women earning higher-level degrees, something that often leads to better paying jobs, the gender pay gap for California women is 84 cents on the dollar.¹ As a part of our work, we produce a compilation of newly enacted laws impacting the well-being of our increasingly diverse female population in the following core priority areas:²

Civil and political rights of women. While California laws have some of the most comprehensive civil rights protections in the nation, there are still issues regarding race, gender, sexual orientation, and immigration status that need to be addressed.

Economics and social pressures. Women in California are more likely than men to live in poverty and to live in extreme poverty. As more women become the primary breadwinners of their families these inequities must be addressed to create healthier and happier communities in California.

The educational needs of women and girls. Women have made tremendous gains in education equality over the last several decades. In California, women hold 52% of all college degrees, including associate's degrees, and 51% of all degrees at the bachelor's level and higher. Women across all age groups hold the majority of degrees in education and in the arts/humanities/other categories but continue to underperform in business and STEM.

Gender equity in the media. Representation of women in the media has become more diverse, granting a range of women from various backgrounds the chance to explore new roles and professions than before. While gains have been made there are still negative impacts of gender stereotyping impacting women and girls today, and women continue to be underrepresented both onscreen and offscreen.

¹ The Report on the Status of Women and Girls in California: 2016 Fifth Anniversary Edition. Mount Saint Mary's University. Retrieved from <https://www.msmu.edu/status-of-women-and-girls/#demographics> February 28, 2017.

² The bill histories, committee analyses, and voting records information cited, referenced, or otherwise included in this document are from the California Legislative Information website at <http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/>. Legislative policy committees also publish comprehensive summaries of bills heard in their committees, organized by legislative session, on the California Senate and Assembly websites.

Gender in the workplace and employment. Gender equity in the workforce has remained a priority of Commission activity since it began its work in 1965. In July 2016, the Commission convened the California Pay Equity Task Force to provide a forum for diverse interests to engage in a dialogue that will encourage compliance with the California Fair Pay Act and facilitate an informed understanding of the importance of gender equity in the workplace.

Health and safety of women and girls. The needs of women and girls in California are as diverse as we are. Women and girls are the populations most at risk of domestic violence, sexual exploitation, and teen dating violence. California women are more likely than men to seek mental health care for serious psychological distress. Elder care in California needs to improve to meet the demands of our aging women who have longer life expectancies than their counterparts across the country. The goal of the Commission is to improve access for women and girls to all the health services that they need.

Women in the military, women veterans, and military families. While California has one of the largest populations of women veterans in the country, women veterans often do not develop relationships with their local veteran services. Thus, women veterans continue to go without benefits to which they are entitled, adding to their higher rates of poverty. In 2014, the Commission partnered with CalVet to create the California Women Veterans Outreach Toolkit to help local veterans' affairs offices reach out to women veterans.

For more information about the Commission, our partnerships and initiatives, and to find resources for women and girls throughout our state, contact us at (916) 651-5405, or visit our website at www.women.ca.gov.

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Civil and Political Rights of Women

AB 560 Gomez

Chapter 151, Statutes of 2015

Civil actions: immigration status.

For the purposes of enforcing state labor, employment, civil rights, and employee housing laws, the immigration status of a child seeking recovery under any applicable law is irrelevant to the issues of liability or remedy. In a civil action or proceeding, prohibits discovery or other inquiry into a child's immigration status, with some exceptions.

An act to add Section 3339.5 to the Civil Code, relating to civil actions.

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AB 830 Eggman

Chapter 202, Statutes of 2015

Civil actions: gender violence.

This bill provides the existing remedies available to victims of gender-related violence to victims of sexual orientation-based violence and otherwise defines "gender," in accordance with the Unruh Civil Rights Act, to include "gender expression" and "gender identity."

An act to amend Section 52.4 of, and to add Section 52.45 to, the Civil Code, relating to civil actions.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB830

AB 856 Calderon

Chapter 521, Statutes of 2015

Invasion of privacy.

This bill renders a person liable for physical invasion of privacy when that person knowingly enters upon the land of another, including by entry into the airspace above the land, without permission, in order to capture any type of visual image, sound recording, or other physical impression of a person engaging in a private, personal, or familial activity and the invasion occurs in a manner that is offensive to a reasonable person.

An act to amend Section 1708.8 of the Civil Code, relating to privacy.

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AB 1887 Low

Chapter 687, Statutes of 2016

Government: discrimination: travel.

This bill prohibits a state agency, including the Legislature, from requiring any of its employees, officers, or members to travel to, or approving a request for state-funded travel to, any state that, after June 26, 2015, has enacted a law that discriminates or has the effect of discriminating against persons on the basis of sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. The bill requires the Attorney General to develop, maintain, and post a list of applicable states on its Internet site and makes it the responsibility of state entities to consult the list in order to comply with the restrictions imposed by the bill.

An act to add Section 11139.8 to the Government Code, relating to discrimination.

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SB 1146 Lara

Chapter 888, Statutes of 2016

Postsecondary education: non-discrimination.

This bill requires an institution that has an exemption from either the Equity in Higher Education Act or Title IX of the federal Education Act of 1972 to make specified disclosures to the institution's current and prospective students, faculty members, and employees, and to the Student Aid Commission, concerning the institution's basis for having the exemption. The bill requires the commission to collect the information it receives and post and maintain a list on the commission's Internet site of all institutions with the exemption and their respective bases for having the exemption.

An act to add Sections 66290.1 and 66290.2 to the Education Code, relating to discrimination.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB1146**Child Custody and Adoption****AB 365 Garcia**

Chapter 69, Statutes of 2015

Child custody: testimony by electronic means.

This bill requires the court to allow a party, whose deportation or detention by the federal Department of Homeland Security materially affects his or her ability to appear at a child custody proceeding, to present testimony and evidence, and participate in in mandatory child custody mediation, by electronic means.

An act to add Section 3012 to the Family Code, relating to family law.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB365**SB 594 Wieckowski**

Chapter 130, Statutes of 2015

Child custody evaluations.

This bill provides that any child custody evaluation, investigation or assessment and any resulting report may only be considered by the court if it is conducted in accordance with the requirements set by the Judicial Council, but also allows a court to consider a child custody evaluation that contains non-substantive or inconsequential errors, or both.

An act to amend Section 3111 of the Family Code, relating to child custody.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB594**AB 2872 Patterson**

Chapter 702, Statutes of 2016

Adoption.

This bill makes changes to the adoption process to do the following: (1) clarify that the investigation required as part of a stepparent adoption may be, at the request of the adoption petitioner, completed by a licensed social worker or therapist or a private adoption agency, in which case the petitioner is not required to pay any investigation fees; (2) require, at the request of a birth parent of a newborn, that appropriate hospital personnel complete a Health Facility Minor Release Report, which allows a hospital to release a minor to someone other than the parents, and provide copies of the report as specified; and (3) provide that a statutorily-

authorized or court-appointed investigator, who is conducting an investigation as part of a) a stepparent adoption, b) a court procedure to terminate parental rights in order to identify alleged fathers and presumed parents, or c) a court procedure to free a child from parental custody and control, is authorized to inspect a juvenile court case file, provided that the investigator is acting within the scope of his or her investigative duties for an active case.

An act to amend Section 9001 of the Family Code, and to amend Sections 305.6 and 827 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to children.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2872

Child, Spousal, and Family Support

AB 610 Jones-Sawyer

Chapter 629 Statutes of 2015

Child support: suspension of order during incarceration.

This urgency bill provides, until January 1, 2020, that the suspension of a child support order occurs by operation of law for any period exceeding 90 consecutive days in which an obligor is incarcerated or involuntarily institutionalized, subject to specified exceptions and allows for administrative adjustment of the arrears. This bill requires the Department of Child Support Services and the Judicial Council to evaluate the effectiveness of the administrative adjustment process and report to the Legislature by January 1, 2019.

An act to repeal and add Section 4007.5 of the Family Code, relating to child support, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB610

SB 28 Wieckowski

Chapter 137, Statutes of 2015

Spousal support factors: domestic violence.

This bill clarifies that pleas of nolo contendere to allegations of domestic violence are included in the documented history of domestic violence that a court must consider when making an award of spousal support.

An act to amend Section 4320 of the Family Code, relating to spousal support.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB28

SB 646 Jackson

Chapter 493, Statutes of 2015

Uniform Interstate Family Support Act.

This bill revises and recasts the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act to provide guidelines for the registration, recognition, enforcement and modification of foreign support orders from countries that are parties to The Hague Convention on the International Recovery of Child Support and Other Forms of Family Maintenance.

An act to amend Section 1731 of the Code of Civil Procedure, to amend Sections 5260, 5601, 17212, 17406, and 17505 of, to add Part 6 (commencing with Section 5700.101) to Division 9 of, to add Sections 17404.1, 17404.2, 17404.3, 17404.4, and 17407.5 to, to repeal Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 4900) of Part 5 of Division 9 of, and to repeal Section 6322.5 of, the

Family Code, to amend Section 11478.1 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, and to repeal Chapter 349 of the Statutes of 2002, relating to family support.

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Immigrant Women

SB 4 Lara

Chapter 709, Statutes of 2015

Health care coverage: immigration status.

Requires undocumented individuals under 19 years of age enrolled in Medi-Cal at the time the Director of the Department of Health Care Services makes the determination to begin enrollment to be enrolled in full scope of Medi-Cal benefits, if otherwise eligible, pursuant to an eligibility and enrollment plan.

An act to amend Section 14007.8 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to health care coverage.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB4

SB 10 Lara

Chapter 22, Statutes of 2016

Health care coverage: immigration status.

Requires Covered California to apply to the United States Department of Health and Human Services for a Section 1332 waiver authorized under the Affordable Care Act to allow persons who are not otherwise able to obtain coverage through Covered California by reason of immigration status to obtain coverage from Covered California by waiving the requirement that Covered California offer only qualified health plans.

An act to add Section 100522 to the Government Code, relating to health care coverage, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

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SB 247 Lara

Chapter 705, Statutes of 2016

Dream Centers: educational support services.

Authorizes the governing board of a school district or county office of education, the governing board of a California Community College district, and the trustees of the California State University and encourages the Regents of the University of California to establish on-campus Dream Centers for the purposes of providing educational support services for undocumented students. This bill, an urgency measure, was subsequently amended to relate to operating and equipment requirements on charter buses.

An act to add Section 34505.8 to, and to add Article 3.6 (commencing with Section 27425) to Chapter 5 of Division 12 of, the Vehicle Code, relating to transportation safety.

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Marriage

AB 380 Waldron

Chapter 196, Statutes of 2015

Marriage: putative spouses.

This bill requires the court, only upon request of a party who is declared a putative spouse (a party who believes in good faith that the marriage was valid), to divide the quasi-marital property (that would have been community property or quasi-community property if the marriage were valid) as if it were community property.

An act to amend Section 2251 of the Family Code, relating to marriage.

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SB 340 Anderson

Chapter 46, Statutes of 2015

Dissolution: disclosure declarations.

This bill provides that a preliminary declaration of disclosure is not required by a petitioner if the petitioner served the summons and petition by publication or posting pursuant to court order and the respondent has defaulted. This bill requires, when a petitioner has served the summons and petition by publication or posting pursuant to court order and the respondent files a response prior to default judgment being entered, the petitioner to serve the respondent with a preliminary declaration of disclosure within 30 days of the response being filed.

An act to amend Sections 2103, 2104, 2107, and 2110 of the Family Code, relating to dissolution.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB340

SB 1005 Jackson

Chapter 50, Statutes of 2016

Marriage.

The bill replaces the terms “husband” or “wife” with “spouse,” and, consistent with existing law, defines “spouse” as including “registered domestic partner.”

An act to amend Section 17537.1 of, and to add Section 14.2 to, the Business and Professions Code, to amend Sections 14, 50, 51.3, 51.11, 682, 682.1, 683, 1099, 1569, and 3390 of the Civil Code, to amend Sections 17, 116.540, 371, 703.140, and 704.930 of the Code of Civil Procedure, to amend Section 1201 of the Commercial Code, to amend Sections 158, 704, 5612, 7612, 12482, 25102, and 25206 of, and to add Section 12.2 to, the Corporations Code, to amend Sections 21100, 24803, and 68062 of, and to add Section 73.2 to, the Education Code, to add Section 356.5 to the Elections Code, to amend Sections 917 and 980 of, and to add Section 215 to, the Evidence Code, to add Section 143 to the Family Code, to amend Sections 14860, 18220, 18523, and 22327 of, and to add Section 11.2 to, the Financial Code, to amend Section 8552.3 of, and to add Section 9.2 to, the Fish and Game Code, to add Section 36 to the Food and Agricultural Code, to amend Sections 9359.9, 9374, 21571, 21572, and 21573 of, and to add Section 12.2 to, the Government Code, to add Section 12.2 to the Harbors and Navigation Code, to amend Sections 1373.5, 18080, 25299.54, and 32501 of, and to add Section 12.2 to, the Health and Safety Code, to amend Sections 10112, 10121.5, 10320, 10493, and 10494.6 of, and to add

Section 12.2 to, the Insurance Code, to amend Section 3503 of, and to add Section 12.2 to, the Labor Code, to add Section 19 to the Military and Veterans Code, to amend Sections 7, 152.3, 197, 270e, 273.5, 281, 282, 284, 534, 4002, and 13700 of the Penal Code, to amend Sections 59, 78, 100, 101, 103, 2407, 5040, 5042, 5203, 6122, 6227, 6240, 13500, and 13600 of, and to add Section 72 to, the Probate Code, to add Section 11005 to the Public Contract Code, to add Section 12.2 to the Public Resources Code, to add Section 12.2 to the Public Utilities Code, to amend Sections 17021, 17039, 17045, 17053.5, 17054, 17077, 17555, 18501, 18522, 18530, 18531.5, 18532, 19006, 19035, 19107, 19110, 19701.5, and 20542 of, and to add Section 12.2 to, the Revenue and Taxation Code, to amend Section 2804 of, and to add Section 12.2 to, the Streets and Highways Code, to amend Section 13003 of, and to add Section 11.2 to, the Unemployment Insurance Code, to add Section 12.2 to the Vehicle Code, to add Section 12.2 to the Water Code, and to amend Sections 742.16, 7275, 12003, 14140, and 18291 of, and to add Section 12.2 to, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to marriage.

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SB 1255 Moorlach

Chapter 114, Statutes of 2016

Dissolution of marriage: date of separation.

This bill defines “date of separation” for purposes of the Family Code as the date when a complete and final break in the marital relationship occurs, as evidenced by a spouse’s expression of his or her intent to end the marriage and conduct that is consistent with that intent, and updates the Family Code to reflect this definition.

An act to amend Sections 771, 910, 914, and 4338 of, and to add Section 70 to, the Family Code, relating to family law.

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Parentage

AB 960 Chiu

Chapter 566, Statutes of 2015

Parentage: assisted reproduction.

This bill provides that the donor of semen provided to a licensed physician or to a licensed sperm bank for use in assisted reproduction shall be treated as if he were not the natural parent of a child thereby conceived, unless otherwise agreed to in a writing prior to the conception of the child. The bill also provides, if the semen is not provided to a licensed physician or a licensed sperm bank for use in assisted reproduction by a woman other than the donor’s spouse, the donor shall be treated in law as if he were not the natural parent of the child if either: (1) the donor and the woman agreed in a writing prior to conception that the donor would not be a parent; or (2) a court finds by clear and convincing evidence that the child was conceived through assisted reproduction and that, prior to the conception of the child, the woman and the donor had an oral agreement that the donor would not be a parent.

An act to amend Sections 7613 and 7613.5 of the Family Code, relating to parentage.

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AB 1049 Patterson

Chapter 91, Statutes of 2015

Parentage.

This bill states that a person's offer or refusal to sign a voluntary declaration of paternity may be considered as a factor, but shall not be determinative as to the issue of legal parentage in any proceedings regarding the establishment or termination of parental rights. This bill additionally requires a non-attorney donor facilitator to direct his or her client to deposit client funds in an independent, bonded escrow account or a trust account maintained by an attorney.

An act to amend Sections 7612, 7960, and 7961 of, and to amend the heading of Part 7 (commencing with Section 7960) of Division 12 of, the Family Code, relating to children.

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AB 2349 Chiu

Chapter 385, Statutes of 2016

Assisted reproduction agreements: jurisdiction and venue.

This bill provides that California has subject matter jurisdiction to determine parentage of a child conceived pursuant to an assisted reproduction agreement for gestational carriers if certain conditions are satisfied, including: (1) the child is born in California; or (2) one or more of the parties to the agreement reside in California or resided in California when the agreement was executed.

An act to amend Sections 7613, 7620, and 7962 of the Family Code, relating to assisted reproduction.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2349

Economic Considerations and Social Pressures

AB 1292 Dababneh

Chapter 750, Statutes of 2015

Establishes the Bank On California Program within the Department of Business Oversight and requires DBO to report annually, no later than August 30th of each year, to the chairpersons of the Senate Committee on Banking and Financial Institutions and Assembly Committee on Banking and Finance regarding the activities of the Bank On California Program.

An act to add Division 23 (commencing with Section 80000) to the Financial Code, relating to financial institutions.

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AB 1613 Committee on Budget

Chapter 370, Statutes of 2016

The Budget Act of 2016: Maximum Family Grant Repeal.

Repeals the CalWORKs Maximum Family Grant rule, which prohibits aid to a child born into a family receiving CalWORKs benefits if the child was conceived after the family began receiving aid.

An act to amend the Budget Act of 2016 (Chapter 23 of the Statutes of 2016) by amending Item 3340-001-0318 of, and adding Items 0521-101-3228, 0540-101-3228, 0650-002-3228, 0650-101-3228, 0650-490, 2240-491, 2660-108-3228, 3540-001-3228, 3900-101-3228, 3970-101-

3228, 4700-101-3228, 8570-101-3228 to, Section 2.00 of, and amending Section 39.00 of, that act, relating to the state budget, and making an appropriation therefor, to take effect immediately, budget bill.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1613

Educational Needs of Women and Girls

AB 30 Alejo

Chapter 767, Statutes of 2015

California Racial Mascots Act.

Establishes the California Racial Mascots Act and prohibits public schools from using the term “Redskins” for school or athletic team names, mascots or nicknames beginning January 1, 2017.

An act to add Article 3.5 (commencing with Section 221.2) to Chapter 2 of Part 1 of Division 1 of Title 1 of the Education Code, relating to schools.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB30

AB 302 Garcia

Chapter 690, Statutes of 2015

Pupil services: lactation accommodations.

Requires local educational agencies to provide reasonable accommodations to a lactating pupil on a school campus to express breast milk, breast-feed an infant child, or address other needs related to breastfeeding, and expands the Uniform Complaint Procedures to include complaints of noncompliance with this requirement.

An act to add Section 222 to the Education Code, relating to pupil services.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB302

AB 329 Weber

Chapter 398, Statutes of 2015

Requires schools to provide comprehensive sexual health education in grades 7-12, and modifies the currently required components of sexual health education and HIV/AIDS prevention education.

An act to amend Sections 51930, 51931, 51932, 51933, 51934, 51935, 51936, 51937, 51938, and 51939 of, to amend the heading of Article 2 (commencing with Section 51933) of Chapter 5.6 of, to amend the heading of Chapter 5.6 (commencing with Section 51930) of, to amend and renumber the heading of Article 4 (commencing with Section 51935) of Chapter 5.6 of, to amend and renumber the heading of Article 5 (commencing with Section 51937) of Chapter 5.6 of, and to repeal the heading of Article 3 (commencing with Section 51934) of Chapter 5.6 of, Part 28 of Division 4 of Title 2 of, the Education Code, relating to pupil instruction.

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AB 762 Mullin

Chapter 373, Statutes of 2015

Day care centers: integrated licensing.

This bill requires a daycare center with a toddler component to extend the toddler component to serve children 18 months to three years, and requires that the California Department of Social Services issue conforming guidelines.

An act to amend Sections 1596.955 and 1596.956 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to care facilities.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB762

AB 827 O'Donnell

Chapter 562, Statutes of 2015

Requires the California Department of Education to assess whether local educational agencies have provided to certificated employees in schools serving grades 7-12, as part of the existing requirement to provide information relative to anti-discrimination policies, information on existing school site and community resources to support students who are lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning.

Safe Place to Learn Act: lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning pupil resources.

An act to amend Section 234.1 of the Education Code, relating to safe schools.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB827

AB 949 Gonzalez

Chapter 564, Statutes of 2015

Physical education: competition cheer.

Requires the California Interscholastic Federation to develop guidelines, procedures, and safety standards to classify competition cheer as an interscholastic sport.

An act to add Section 33353.7 to the Education Code, relating to physical education.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB949

AB 982 Eggman

Chapter 567, Statutes of 2015

Child care and development: eligibility: homeless children.

This bill specifically identifies homeless youth as a criterion for meeting federal and state subsidized child development eligibility requirements and modifies the list of entities that may identify a child for such services.

An act to amend Section 8263 of the Education Code, relating to child care.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB982

SB 186 Jackson

Chapter 232, Statutes of 2015

Community Colleges: Off-Campus Sexual Assault.

Expands the definition of "good cause" for purposes of removal, suspension or expulsion from a community college to include sexual assault or sexual battery and, for this conduct exclusively, makes an exception to the prohibition against removal, suspension, or expulsion unless the conduct is related to college activity or attendance.

An act to amend Sections 76033 and 76034 of the Education Code, relating to community college districts.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB186

SB 200 Lara

Chapter 174, Statutes of 2015

Provides that a pupil complies with the residency requirements for school attendance in a school district if the pupil's parent or legal guardian resides outside of the boundaries of that school district but is employed and lives with the pupil at the place of his or her employment within the boundaries of the school district for a minimum of three days during the school week.

An act to amend Section 48204 of the Education Code, relating to pupils.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB200

SB 242 Monning

Chapter 79, Statutes of 2015

Requires a school district's police department to obtain approval from its governing board prior to receiving federal surplus military equipment and also requires the governing board of a school district to provide a detailed description of the function and purpose of the military equipment being acquired.

An act to add Section 38004.5 to the Education Code, relating to school security.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB242

SB 695 de León, Jackson

Chapter 424, Statutes of 2015

Requires school districts that require completion of a course in health education as a condition of high school graduation to include instruction in sexual harassment and violence, and requires the Instructional Quality Commission, during the next revision of the health framework, to consider including comprehensive information for grades 9-12 on sexual harassment and violence.

An act to add Sections 33544 and 51225.36 to the Education Code, relating to school curriculum.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB695

AB 1613 Committee on Budget

Chapter 370, Statutes of 2016

The Budget Act of 2016.

Increases rates paid to child-care providers to progress with California's increased minimum wage. The funding is expected to total \$500 million annually starting in 2019.

An act to amend the Budget Act of 2016 (Chapter 23 of the Statutes of 2016) by amending Item 3340-001-0318 of, and adding Items 0521-101-3228, 0540-101-3228, 0650-002-3228, 0650-101-3228, 0650-490, 2240-491, 2660-108-3228, 3540-001-3228, 3900-101-3228, 3970-101-3228, 4700-101-3228, 8570-101-3228 to, Section 2.00 of, and amending Section 39.00 of, that act, relating to the state budget, and making an appropriation therefor, to take effect immediately, budget bill.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1613

AB 2036 Lopez

Chapter 497, Statutes of 2016

Online child care job posting services: background check service providers: consumer education. *This bill requires an online child care job posting service to post specified statements related to background checks and a parent's right to complaint information on its Internet Web site. This bill also authorizes a civil penalty to be imposed and collected for violations of these requirements.*

An act to add Chapter 2.3 (commencing with Section 18890) to Division 8 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to business.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2036

AB 2654 Bonilla

Chapter 107, Statutes of 2016

Equity in Higher Education Act. Expands the information to be included in a postsecondary educational institution's' written policy on sexual harassment to include information regarding complaint processes and timelines, and on and off-campus resources, and further requires that the written policy be made available on the institution's website.

An act to amend Section 66281.5 of the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2654

SB 527 Liu

Chapter 533, Statutes of 2016

Safe Neighborhoods and Schools Fund.

Learning Communities for School Success Program. Establishes a grant program, to be administered by the California Department of Education that furthers the purpose of Proposition 47 in reducing truancy and supporting students who are at risk of dropping out of school or who are victims of crime.

An act to add Article 10 (commencing with Section 33430) to Chapter 3 of Part 20 of Division 2 of Title 2 of, and to repeal Section 33434 of, the Education Code, relating to education finance.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB527

SB 1375 Jackson

Chapter 655, Statutes of 2016

Requires schools to post information on their Web sites relative to the designated Title IX coordinator, rights of students and responsibilities of schools, and a description of how to file a complaint.

An act to add Section 221.61 to the Education Code, relating to educational equity.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB1375

SB 1435 Jackson

Chapter 633, Statutes of 2016

Requires the Instructional Quality Commission to consider including comprehensive information, for grades K-8, on the development of healthy relationships in the next revision to the Health framework.

An act to add Section 33546 to the Education Code, relating to school curriculum.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB1435

STEM

ACR 133 Chang

Chapter 24, Statutes of 2016

Relative to Women and Girls in STEM Week.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160ACR133

Gender Equity in the Media

Gender in the Workplace and Employment

AB 202 Gonzalez

Chapter 102, Statutes of 2015

Professional sports teams: cheerleaders: employee status.

This bill provides that, notwithstanding any other law, for purposes of the provisions of state law that govern employment, a cheerleader that is utilized by a California-based professional sports team during its exhibitions or games shall be deemed to be an employee.

An act to add Section 2754 to the Labor Code, relating to employment.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB202

AB 304 Gonzalez

Chapter 67, Statutes of 2015

Sick leave: accrual and limitations.

This bill amended the Health Workplaces, Healthy Families Act of 2014 to provide clarification regarding which workers are covered, how the paid time off is accrued, and protections for employers that already provide paid sick leave. The Health Workplaces, Healthy Families Act of 2014 provides, among other things, that an employee who, on or after July 1, 2015, works in California for 30 or more days within a year from the commencement of employment is entitled to paid sick days for prescribed purposes, to be accrued at a rate of no less than one hour for every 30 hours worked.

An act to amend Sections 245.5, 246, and 247.5 of the Labor Code, relating to employment, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB304

SB 342 Jackson

Chapter 507, Statutes of 2015

California Workforce Investment Board: responsibilities.

This bill requires the California Workforce Investment Board (CWIB) to assist the Governor in helping individuals with barriers to employment, including low-skill, low-wage workers, the long-term unemployed, and members of single-parent households, achieve economic security and upward mobility by implementing policies that encourage the attainment of marketable skills relevant to current labor market trends. This bill also defines “earn and learn” job training opportunities, as specified, and incorporates language adopted pursuant to AB 1270 (Garcia, Chapter 94, Statutes of 2015) to avoid chaptering issues.

An act to amend Sections 14000, 14005, and 14013 of the Unemployment Insurance Code, relating to unemployment insurance.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB342

SB 579 Jackson

Chapter 802, Statutes of 2015

Employees: time off.

This bill expanded on the currently authorized reasons for which an employee can take job protected time off of work without the fear of discrimination or discharge under the Family School Partnership Act by allowing workers to take time off work to 1) find, enroll, or reenroll his or her child in a school or with a licensed child care provider, and 2) to address a child care provider or school emergency, as defined. This bill also revised provisions of the existing “kin care” law to be consistent with the provisions under the paid sick days law to clarify that “family member” includes the individuals already covered in existing law and that the worker can take sick leave for the reasons currently specified in law.

An act to amend Sections 230.8 and 233 of the Labor Code, relating to employment.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB579

SB 588 de León

Chapter 803, Statutes of 2015

Nonpayment of wages: enforcement of judgment.

This bill authorizes the Labor Commissioner to file a lien or levy on an employer's property in order to assist an employee in collecting unpaid wages, as specified. The bill creates a sliding scale for a defendant required to post a surety bond in order to continue operations; requires the Labor Commissioner to report to the State Department of Public Health or the State Department of Social Services if a long-term care facility is operating in violation of the surety bond provisions; and makes technical and clarifying changes relating to wage orders, appeals, and attorney's fees.

An act to add Chapter 10 (commencing with Section 690.020) to Division 1 of Title 9 of Part 2 of the Code of Civil Procedure, and to amend Section 98 of, and to add Sections 96.8, 238, 238.1, 238.2, 238.3, 238.4, 238.5, and 558.1 to, the Labor Code, relating to employment.

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB588

AB 1066 Gonzalez

Chapter 313, Statutes of 2016

Agricultural workers: wages, hours, and working conditions.

This bill removes an exemption in current law that extends the payment of overtime compensation to agricultural employees after eight hours of work in a day or 40 in a week in a phased in implementation, over the course of 4 years, from 2019 to 2022. The bill provides employers who employ 25 or fewer employees an additional 3 years to comply with the phasing in of these overtime requirements. The bill would authorize the Governor to delay the implementation of these overtime pay provisions if the Governor also suspends the implementation of a scheduled state minimum wage increase, as specified. The bill would

require the Department of Industrial Relations to update a specified wage order for consistency with these provisions, as specified.

An act to amend Section 554 of, and to add Chapter 6 (commencing with Section 857) to Part 2 of Division 2 of, the Labor Code, relating to employment.

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1066

AB 1676 Campos

Chapter 856, Statutes of 2016

Employers: wage discrimination.

This bill clarifies that prior salary, by itself, cannot be used to justify any disparity in compensation between men and women.

An act to amend Section 1197.5 of the Labor Code, relating to employers.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1676

AB 1978 Gonzalez

Chapter 373, Statutes of 2016

Employment: property service workers.

This bill creates a registration process for janitorial employers and requires sexual harassment and violence prevention training for janitorial workers.

An act to add Part 4.2 (commencing with Section 1420) to Division 2 of the Labor Code, relating to employment.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1978

AB 2288 Burke

Chapter 692, Statutes of 2016

Apprenticeship programs: building and construction trades.

This bill requires that the California Workforce Development Board and each local board ensure, to the maximum extent feasible, that federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 funds which are awarded for the purposes of pre-apprenticeship training in the building and construction trades fund program and services that 1) follow the Multi-Craft Core Curriculum implemented by the State Department of Education, as specified; and 2) develop a plan for outreach and retention for women participants to help increase the representation of women in the building and construction trades.

An act to amend Section 14230 of the Unemployment Insurance Code, relating to workforce development.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2288

AB 2337 Burke

Chapter 355, Statutes of 2016

Employment protections: victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking.

This bill requires employers to provide their employees with written notice of their right to take time off from work for certain purposes if they are a victim of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking. In order to facilitate compliance by employers, this bill requires the Labor Commissioner to develop a form that employers could use to comply with the notice requirement. It also requires the Commissioner to post the form on his or her Website on or before July 1, 2017, and provides that an employer is not required to comply with the disclosure requirement until the Commissioner posts the form.

An act to amend Section 230.1 of the Labor Code, relating to employment.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2337

SB 358 Jackson

Chapter 546, Statutes of 2015

Conditions of employment: gender wage differential.

This bill makes various changes to the California Equal Pay Act related to gender wage inequality. Specifically, this bill prohibits an employer from paying any of its employees at wage rates less than the rates paid to employees of the opposite sex for substantially similar work, when viewed as a composite of skill, effort, and responsibility, and performed under similar working conditions, except where the employer demonstrates: The wage differential is based upon one or more of the following factors: a seniority system; a merit system; a system that measures earnings by quantity or quality of production; or a bona fide factor other than sex, such as education, training, or experience. This factor shall apply only if the employer demonstrates that the factor is not based on or derived from a sex-based differential in compensation, is job related with respect to the position in question, and is consistent with a business necessity.

An act to amend Section 1197.5 of the Labor Code, relating to private employment.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB358

SB 3 Leno

Chapter 4, Statutes of 2016

Minimum wage: in-home supportive services: paid sick days.

This bill creates a schedule for a phased increase in the minimum wage from \$10.50 per hour to \$15 per hour over 7 years, depending on the size of the employer and general economic conditions, and link the minimum wage to the U.S. Consumer Price Index once the minimum wage reaches \$15 per hour. This bill also requires paid sick days for In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) workers and creates a schedule for the annual accrual of paid sick days for IHSS workers.

An act to amend Sections 245.5, 246, and 1182.12 of the Labor Code, relating to labor.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB3

SB 1063 Hall

Chapter 866, Statutes of 2016

Conditions of employment: wage differential: race or ethnicity.

This bill amends the Equal Pay Act to prohibit employers from paying employees a wage rate less than the rate paid to employees of a different race or ethnicity for substantially similar work.

An act to amend Sections 1197.5 and 1199.5 of the Labor Code, relating to employment.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB1063

SB 1234 de León

Chapter 804, Statutes of 2016

Retirement savings plans.

This measure would set up a state-run retirement plan for private sector workers who would be automatically enrolled in a savings plan, if they don't already have a retirement plan through their employer. Employees could opt out of the automatic payroll deductions if they did not want to participate in the program. It would affect approximately seven million currently working Californians. SB 1234 was passed to create California Secure Choice Retirement Savings Program and to create and empower its Board to perform a feasibility study to determine whether the legal and practical conditions for implementation of SCRSP could be met. The Board approved an approach to the study analysis that included four distinct, but well-coordinated focus areas: program design, market analysis, financial feasibility, and legal feasibility. The report in its entirety can be found on the SCRSP webpage on the Treasurer's website. <http://www.treasurer.ca.gov/scib/report.pdf>

An act to amend Sections 100000, 100002, 100004, 100008, 100010, 100012, 100014, 100032, 100034, 100036, and 100043, of, to add Sections 100046, 100048, 100049, and 100050 to, and to repeal Sections 100013, 100040, 100042, and 100043.5 of, the Government Code, and to amend Section 12302.2 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to retirement savings plans, and making an appropriation therefor.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB1234

Health and Safety of Women and Girls

ABX2 15 Eggman, Alejo, Stone Chapter 1, Statutes of 2015, Second Extraordinary Session.

End of life.

Permits a competent, qualified individual who is an adult with a terminal disease to receive a prescription for an aid-in-dying drug if certain conditions are met, such as two oral requests, a minimum of 15 days apart, and a written request signed by two witnesses, is provided to his or her attending physician, the attending physician refers the patient to a consulting physician to confirm diagnosis and capacity to make medical decisions, and the attending physician refers the patient to a mental health specialist, if indicated. Sunsets these provisions on January 1, 2026.

An act to add and repeal Part 1.85 (commencing with Section 443) of Division 1 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to end of life.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520162AB15

SB 277 Pan, Allen

Chapter 35, Statutes of 2015

Public health: vaccinations.

Eliminates the personal belief exemption from the requirement that children receive vaccines for certain infectious diseases prior to being admitted to any public or private elementary or secondary school or day care center.

An act to amend Sections 120325, 120335, 120370, and 120375 of, to add Section 120338 to, and to repeal Section 120365 of, the Health and Safety Code, relating to public health.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB277

SB 407 Morrell

Chapter 313, Statutes of 2015

Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program: licensed midwives.

Makes licensed midwives eligible to be a “comprehensive perinatal provider” as used in the Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program (CPSP) when regulations have been adopted by the Medical Board of California. Authorizes a health care provider to employ or contract with licensed midwives for the purpose of providing comprehensive perinatal services in the CPSP.

An act to amend Section 14134.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to Medi-Cal.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB407

SB 792 Mendoza

Chapter 807, Statutes of 2015

Day care facilities: immunizations: exemptions.

Prohibits, commencing September 1, 2016, a person from being employed or volunteering at a daycare center or a day care home if he or she has not been immunized against influenza, pertussis, and measles.

An act to amend Sections 1597.055 and 1597.54 of, and to add Sections 1596.7995 and 1597.622 to, the Health and Safety Code, relating to day care facilities.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB792

AB 1795 Atkins

Chapter 608, Statutes of 2016

Health care programs: cancer.

Makes changes to the Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program within the Department of Health Care Services regarding eligibility for screenings, as specified. An act to amend Sections 104150 and 104161.1 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to health care programs.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1795

AB 2640 Gipson

Chapter 670, Statutes of 2016

Public health: HIV.

Requires a medical care provider or person administering a HIV test to provide patients who test negative, and are determined to be at high risk for HIV infection by the medical provider or person administering the test, with information about methods that prevent or reduce the risk of

contracting HIV, including, but not limited to, pre-exposure prophylaxis and post-exposure prophylaxis, consistent with guidance of the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
An act to amend Section 120990 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to public health.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2640

Homelessness

AB 1166 Bloom Chapter 171, Statutes of 2015
Pupils in foster care: pupils who are homeless children or youth: school transfer.
Provides that foster youth and homeless youth are eligible for the exemption from locally-imposed high school graduation requirements even if not notified of this right, and provides that homeless youth who are exempted continue to be exempted even if the student is no longer homeless.
An act to amend Section 51225.1 of the Education Code, relating to pupils.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1166

AB 1228 Gipson, Atkins Chapter 571, Statutes of 2015
Public postsecondary education: campus housing: priority for homeless youth.
Extends priority for housing at the University of California, the California State University, and the California Community Colleges to homeless youth, and requests campuses to develop plans to ensure that homeless and foster youth have housing during breaks.
An act to amend Sections 66019.3, 76010, 90001.5, and 92660 of the Education Code, relating to public postsecondary education.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1228

SB 252 Leno Chapter 384, Statutes of 2015
Pupils: diploma alternatives: fees.
Prohibits a fee from being charged to homeless youth for the high school proficiency exam and the high school equivalency tests.
An act to amend Sections 48412 and 51421 of, and to add and repeal Section 51421.5 to, the Education Code, relating to pupils, and making an appropriation therefor.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB252

SB 445 Liu Chapter 289, Statutes of 2015
Pupil instruction and services: homeless children.
Extends the right to remain in the school of origin to homeless students.
An act to amend Section 48859 of, and to add Section 48852.7 to, the Education Code, relating to pupil instruction and services.
http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB445

AB 801 Bloom

Chapter 432, Statutes of 2016

Postsecondary education: Success for Homeless Youth in Higher Education Act.

Extends priority enrollment to homeless youth at the California Community Colleges and the California State University, and requests that the University of California make this same extension. This bill also requires designation of a Homeless and Foster Student Liaison at each postsecondary educational institution participating in the Cal Grant program, and adds homeless youth to the categories of youth to be served under existing financial aid programs and services.

An act to amend Sections 66025.9, 69514.5, 69561, and 76300 of, and to add Section 67003.5 to, the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB801

AB 1567 Campos

Chapter 399, Statutes of 2016

Afterschool programs: enrollment: fees: homeless youth: snacks or meals.

Establishes first priority for enrollment in before and after school programs to students who are identified as homeless and in foster care, and prohibits programs from charging a family for a child that the program knows to be a homeless youth or a foster care youth.

An act to amend, repeal, and add Sections 8482.6, 8483, and 8483.1 of, and to add Section 8483.95 to, the Education Code, relating to before and after school programs.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1567

SB 1380 Mitchell

Chapter 847, Statutes of 2016

Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council.

This bill requires a state agency or department that funds, implements, or administers a state program that provides housing or housing-related services to people experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness to adopt guidelines and regulations to include Housing First policies.

It also establishes the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to oversee implementation of the Housing First regulations and, among other things, identify resources, benefits, and services that can be accessed to prevent and end homelessness in California.

An act to add Chapter 6.5 (commencing with Section 8255) to Division 8 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to homelessness.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB1380

Long-term Care and Aging

ACR 38 Brown

Chapter 200, Statutes of 2015

California Task Force on Family Caregiving.

This concurrent resolution establishes a task force on family caregiving with 12 members

appointed by the Senate and Assembly. The task force will be required to consider issues relating to family caregivers and report to the Legislature on those issues.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160ACR38

AB 601 Eggman

Chapter 628, Statutes of 2015

Residential care facilities for the elderly: licensing and regulation.

This bill requires an applicant for licensure of a residential care facility for the elderly (RCFE) to disclose specified additional information related to other facilities owned, managed or operated by the licensee or a parent organization of the licensee, as well as information related to individuals or entities holding a beneficial ownership interest of 10 percent or more in the licensed facility. Additionally it requires licensees to disclose individuals or entities who have control of the facility, and other information. Further the bill requires the California Department of Social Services to cross-check all disclosed applicant information with the California Department of Public Health and, to the extent the department's computer system can accommodate the information, to post specified information on its Internet website. The bill also requires licensees to report any changes to the disclosed information within specified timeframes.

An act to amend Sections 1569.2, 1569.15, 1569.16, 1569.50, 1569.58, and 1569.618 of, and to add Section 1569.356 to, the Health and Safety Code, relating to health facilities.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB601

AB 1387 Chu

Chapter 486, Statutes of 2015

Care facilities: civil penalties, deficiencies, and appeal procedures.

This bill amends the civil penalty review and appeals process for violations resulting in death and serious bodily injury of a resident or child in community care facilities, Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFEs) and child day care facilities. The bill also establishes a civil penalty review and appeals process for all other violations.

An act to amend Sections 1548, 1568.0822, 1569.35, 1569.49, 1596.842, 1596.99, and 1597.58 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to care facilities.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1387

SB 196 Hancock

Chapter 285, Statutes of 2015

Elder abuse: protective orders.

This bill authorizes a county adult protective services agency to file a petition for a protective order on behalf of an elder or dependent adult, as specified.

An act to amend, repeal, and add Sections 15610.07 and 15657.03 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to elder abuse.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB196

AB 1836 Maienschein

Chapter 819, Statutes of 2016

Conservatorship hearings.

This bill authorizes the court, if a conservatorship has already been established under the Probate Code, to refer the conservatee for an assessment by the local mental health system or plan to determine if the conservatee has a treatable mental illness, including whether the conservatee is gravely disabled as a result of a mental disorder or impairment by chronic

alcoholism, and is unwilling to accept, or is incapable of accepting, treatment voluntarily. The bill also requires the court to appoint counsel to a conservatee if he or she cannot afford counsel. The bill requires the local mental health system or plan to file a copy of the assessment with the court that made the referral.

An act to add Section 5350.5 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to conservatorships.

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1836

AB 2231 Calderon

Chapter 823, Statutes of 2016

Care facilities: civil penalties.

This bill increases the civil penalties for specified violations and adopts penalties for repeat violations in licensed community care facilities, including, but not limited to, Residential Care Facilities for Persons with Chronic Life-Threatening Illnesses, Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly, Day Care Centers, and Family Day Care Homes. Further, the bill requires civil penalties to be due and payable when administrative appeals have been exhausted and to be subject to late fees, except as specified.

An act to amend Sections 1566.7, 1569.335, 1596.819, and 1596.859 of, and to amend, repeal, and add Sections 1548, 1568.0822, 1569.49, 1596.8595, 1596.99, and 1597.58 of, the Health and Safety Code, relating to care facilities.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2231

AB 2721 Rodriguez

Chapter 80, Statutes of 2016

Requires the California Department of Justice to develop and distribute an informational notice that warns the public about elder and dependent adult fraud. Specifically, this new law: Requires the notice to include information directing the public to information and resources necessary to determine whether they are victims of fraud and provide information regarding how and where to file complaints. States that the notice shall also be made available on the Web site of the Attorney General.

An act to add Section 368.7 to the Penal Code, relating to elder and dependent adult abuse.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2721

SB 1384 Liu

Chapter 487, Statutes of 2016

California Partnership for Long-Term Care Program.

Requires the California Partnership for Long-Term Care to allow insurers to offer long-term care policies at a lower-priced option in addition to the 5% inflation escalator policy currently issued, permits participating insurers to offer home care coverage only policies, and creates a task force to provide advice and assistance in implementing reforms to the California Partnership for Long Term Care.

An act to amend Section 10232.1 of, and to add Section 10232.81 to, the Insurance Code, and to amend Sections 22002, 22003, 22004, 22005, 22005.1, 22006, 22009, and 22010 of, to amend,

repeal, and add Section 22005.2 of, to add Section 22005.3 to, and to add and repeal Section 22011 of, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to long-term care.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB1384

Mental Health

AB 1194 Eggman

Chapter 570, Statutes of 2015

Mental health: involuntary commitment.

Requires a person who determines that an individual should be taken into custody, because he or she is a danger to self or others, to consider available information related to the historical course of the individual's mental health disorder, as specified. Requires, when a person is determined to need detainment, an admitting facility to require a written application that records whether information about the person's historical course, as specified, was considered.

An act to amend Section 5150 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to mental health.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1194

SB 484 Beall

Chapter 540, Statutes of 2015

Juveniles.

Requires the Department of Social Services (DSS) to establish a methodology for identifying group homes that have levels of psychotropic drug utilization warranting additional review, and to inspect identified facilities at least once a year, as specified. Permits DSS to share information and observations with the facility and to require the facility to submit a plan within 30 days to address identified risks, as specified.

An act to amend Sections 1507.6 and 1536 of, and to add Sections 1538.8 and 1538.9 to, the Health and Safety Code, and to amend Section 11469 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to juveniles.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB484

SB 884 Beall

Chapter 835, Statutes of 2016

Special education: procedural safeguards and records.

Requires funding for mental health services for students with individualized education programs to be subject to existing state and federal audit requirements, requires the California Department of Education (CDE) to create a report on its compliance findings and corrective action plans related to the provision of mental health services for students, requires the CDE to create a report on pupil outcomes for students receiving mental health services, and requires the CDE to include a link to information on family empowerment centers on its sample procedural safeguards.

An act to add Sections 14509 and 56415 to the Education Code, relating to special education.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB884

Nutrition

AB 1321 Ting

Chapter 442, Statutes of 2015

This bill establishes the Nutrition Incentive Matching Grant Program in the Office of Farm to Fork within the California Department of Food and Agriculture to encourage the purchase and consumption of fresh fruits, nuts, and vegetables by connecting farmers with food assistance recipients.

An act to add Chapter 13 (commencing with Section 49010) to Division 17 of the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to food and agriculture.

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Reproductive Health

AB 775 Chiu

Chapter 700, Statutes of 2015

The Reproductive Freedom, Accountability, Comprehensive Care, and Transparency Act.

This bill requires a licensed covered facility, as defined, to disseminate a notice to all clients, as specified, stating, among other things, that California has public programs that provide immediate free or low-cost access to comprehensive family planning services, prenatal care, and abortion for eligible women. The bill also requires an unlicensed covered facility, as defined, to disseminate a notice to all clients, as specified, stating, among other things, that the facility is not licensed as a medical facility by the State of California.

An act to add Article 2.7 (commencing with Section 123470) to Chapter 2 of Part 2 of Division 106 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to public health.

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AB 1954 Burke

Chapter 495, Statutes of 2016

Health care coverage: reproductive health care services.

Establishes the Direct Access to Reproductive Health Care Act to prohibit health plans and health insurers from requiring an enrollee to receive a referral prior to receiving coverage or services for reproductive and sexual health care services.

An act to add Section 1367.31 to the Health and Safety Code, and to add Section 10123.202 to the Insurance Code, relating to health care coverage.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1954

SB 999 Pavley

Chapter 499, Statutes of 2016

Health insurance: contraceptives: annual supply.

Authorizes a pharmacist to dispense a 12-month supply of United States Food and Drug Administration-approved, self-administered hormonal contraceptives, requires insurance to cover the cost, and incorporates chaptering amendments for SB 253 (Monning).

An act to amend Section 4064.5 of the Business and Professions Code, to amend Section

1367.25 of the Health and Safety Code, to amend Section 10123.196 of the Insurance Code, and to add Section 14000.01 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to contraceptives.

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Safety

AB 433 Chu

Chapter 514, Statutes of 2015

Requires that California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) benefits be continued for a child who dies until the end of the month following the death, and prohibits sanctions from being applied in that time period for a grieving parent's failure to comply with program requirements. This bill also requires a county to assist a grieving parent in accessing appropriate services and to provide information to the grieving parent about mental health services.

An act to add Sections 11321 and 11450.05 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to public social services.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB433

AB 636 Medina

Chapter 697, Statutes of 2015

Requires postsecondary education institutions to disclose to law enforcement the identity of an alleged assailant if the institution determines that the alleged assailant represents a serious or ongoing threat to the safety of the campus community and the immediate assistance of law enforcement is necessary.

An act to amend Section 67380 of the Education Code, relating to postsecondary education.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB636

AB 881 Garcia

Chapter 87, Statutes of 2015

Expands the definition of "bullying by an electronic act," from the "creation and transmission" of a communication to the "creation or transmission" of a communication by means of an electronic device.

An act to amend Section 48900 of the Education Code, relating to pupils.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB881

AB 913 Santiago

Chapter 701, Statutes of 2015

Expands the existing written jurisdictional agreements between postsecondary educational institutions and local law enforcement to include responsibility for investigating sexual assaults and hate crimes, and requires the written agreements to be updated every five years.

An act to amend Section 67381 of, and to add Section 67381.1 to, the Education Code, relating to student safety.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB913

AB 1654 Santiago

Chapter 222, Statutes of 2016

Student safety: crime reporting.

Expands existing audit requirements regarding the reporting of crime statistics by California postsecondary education institutions by requiring the State Auditor to include an evaluation of institutions' compliance with state law governing crime reporting and the development and implementation of student safety policies and procedures.

An act to amend Section 67382 of the Education Code, relating to student safety.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1654

AB 2212 Harper

Chapter 412, Statutes of 2016

Expands the definition of "bullying by an electronic act," to include communication by video.

An act to amend Section 48900 of the Education Code, relating to pupils.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2212

AB 2246 O'Donnell

Chapter 642, Statutes of 2016

Requires local educational agencies that serve students in grades 7 to 12 to adopt policies on the prevention of student suicides and also requires the California Department of Education to develop and maintain a model suicide prevention policy.

An act to add Article 2.5 (commencing with Section 215) to Chapter 2 of Part 1 of Division 1 of Title 1 of the Education Code, relating to pupil health.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2246

AB 2263 Baker

Chapter 881, Statutes of 2016

Protection of victims: address confidentiality.

This bill requires the Secretary of State to provide program participants in the state's various "Safe at Home" address confidentiality programs with a notice that clearly and conspicuously informs the program participant of his or her right to use an address designated by the Secretary of State on real property deeds, change of ownership forms, and deeds of trust when purchasing or selling a home.

An act to add Sections 6209.5, 6215.10, and 6215.12 to the Government Code, relating to address confidentiality.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2263

AB 2536 Chau

Chapter 419, Statutes of 2016

Expands the definition of electronic acts in relation to bullying to include cyber sexual bullying, and requires the California Department of Education to include information on cyber sexual bullying on a specified Web site.

An act to amend Sections 234.2 and 48900 of the Education Code, relating to elementary and secondary education.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2536

SB 1178 Vidak

Chapter 171, Statutes of 2016

Superintendent of Public Instruction: child abuse and neglect: poster.

Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop a poster that notifies children of the appropriate resources available for reporting child abuse or neglect. This bill was an urgency measure.

An act to add Section 33133.5 to the Education Code, relating to state educational agencies, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB1178

SB 1343 Wolk

Chapter 154, Statutes of 2016

Pupils: intradistrict transfer of pupil convicted of violent felony or misdemeanor.

Authorizes the governing board of a school district, if certain conditions are met, to transfer to another school in that district a student who has been convicted of a violent felony or specified misdemeanor if the student to be transferred and the victim of the crime for which the student was convicted attend the same school.

An act to amend Section 48980 of, and to add Article 1.5 (commencing with Section 48929) to Chapter 6 of Part 27 of Division 4 of Title 2 of, the Education Code, relating to pupils.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB1343

Substance Use Disorders and Treatment

AB 1748 Mayes

Chapter 557, Statutes of 2016

Authorizes school nurses and other trained personnel to use naloxone hydrochloride (naloxone) to provide emergency medical aid to persons suffering, or reasonably believed to be suffering, from an opioid overdose.

An act to add Section 4119.8 to the Business and Professions Code, and to add Section 49414.3 to the Education Code, relating to pupils.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1748

Victim Rights and Restitution

AB 538 Campos

Chapter 465, Statutes of 2015

Actions for damages: felony offenses: victim notification.

This bill ensures that victims of specified felonies are notified by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) that the person who committed the felony has entered into a contract for the sale of the story of the crime, if such notification has previously been requested of CDCR. The bill also clarifies that no civil action for damages for the sale of the story may be filed against a person who was wrongfully convicted of a crime he or she did not commit, exonerated, and subsequently released from prison.

An act to amend Section 340.3 of the Code of Civil Procedure, and to add Section 5065.5 to the Penal Code, relating to criminal offenders.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB538

AB 1563 Rodriguez

Chapter 121, Statutes of 2016

Establishes a six-month deadline for the Victim Compensation Board to respond to an appeal by a crime victim who has had an application for compensation denied. Specifically, this new law: Requires the board to evaluate an application for reconsideration of compensation within six months of the date the board receives the application, unless it determines 161 that there was insufficient information to make a decision. Provides that if the board determines that there was insufficient information to make a decision, it shall notify the applicant in writing within six months of the date the application was received.

An act to amend Section 13959 of the Government Code, relating to victim's compensation.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1563

AB 1678 Santiago

Chapter 875, Statutes of 2016

Crime victims: incident reports.

This bill allows a victim of sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking, and elder or dependent adult abuse, or the victim's representative, to receive a timely copy of his or her law enforcement incident report and all incident report face sheets, free of charge.

An act to amend Section 6228 of the Family Code, relating to domestic violence.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1678

AB 2295 Baker

Chapter 37, Statutes of 2016

Conforms several restitution provisions to the constitutional requirement that a victim is entitled to full restitution. Specifically, this new law: Removes the ability of a judge to order less than full restitution to the victim based on the defendant's ability to pay under the aggravated white collar crime enhancement. Removes the ability of a judge to order less than full restitution to the victim based on the defendant's ability to pay under the "seize and freeze" provisions for aggravated elder or dependent adult financial abuse. Removes court authority to order less than full restitution when it finds compelling and extraordinary reasons for doing so, as currently provided by the restitution statute. Makes conforming changes to another restitution provision.

An act to amend Sections 186.11, 186.12, 1202.4, and 1202.46 of the Penal Code, relating to restitution.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2295

Violence Against Women

Human Trafficking and Commercially Sexually Exploited Youth

AB 15 Holden

Chapter 474, Statutes of 2015

Human trafficking: civil actions: statute of limitations.

This bill creates a 10-year statute of limitations that would apply to civil actions for specified offenses that also constitute torture, genocide, a war crime, an attempted extrajudicial killing, or a crime against humanity, as defined.

An act to amend Section 52.5 of the Civil Code, and to add Section 354.8 to the Code of Civil Procedure, relating to civil actions.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB15

AB 1276 Santiago

Chapter 635, Statutes of 2016

Authorizes, under specified conditions, a minor 15 years of age or younger to testify by contemporaneous examination and cross examination in another place and out of the presence of the judge, jury, defendant or defendants, and attorneys if the testimony will involve the recitation of the facts of an alleged offense of human trafficking.

An act to add Section 1347.1 to the Penal Code, relating to criminal procedure.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1276

AB 1684 Stone

Chapter 63, Statutes of 2016

Human trafficking: civil actions.

This bill authorizes the Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH) to receive, investigate, conciliate, mediate, and prosecute complaints alleging a violation of human trafficking, as defined in Penal Code Section 236.1, and to bring a civil action on behalf of a victim of human trafficking, as specified.

An act to amend Section 12930 of the Government Code, relating to civil actions.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1684

AB 1702 Stone

Chapter 124, Statutes of 2016

Reunification services for foster children: sexual exploitation.

This bill provides that reunification services need not be provided to the parent or guardian of a dependent child when the court finds that the parent or guardian knowingly participated in, or permitted, the sexual exploitation of the child, except if the parent or guardian demonstrated by a preponderance of the evidence that he or she was coerced into permitting, or participating in, the sexual exploitation of the child.

An act to amend Section 361.5 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to juveniles.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1702

AB 1761 Weber

Chapter 636, Statutes of 2016

Creates a human trafficking affirmative defense applicable to non-violent, non-serious, and non-trafficking. Specifically, this new law: States that, in addition to any other affirmative defense, it is a defense to a crime that the person was coerced to commit the offense as a direct result of being a human trafficking victim at the time of the offense and of reasonable fear of harm. States that this affirmative defense does not apply to a serious felony, a violent felony, or the offense of human trafficking, as specified.

An act to add Section 1107.5 to the Evidence Code, and to add Section 236.23 to the Penal Code, relating to human trafficking.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1761

AB 2027 Quirk

Chapter 749, Statutes of 2016

Requires, upon the request of an immigrant victim of human trafficking, a certifying agency to confirm victim cooperation on the applicable form so that the victim may apply for a T-Visa to temporarily live and work in the United States.

An act to add Section 679.11 to the Penal Code, relating to victims of crime.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2027

AB 2221 Garcia

Chapter 641, Statutes of 2016

Provides that in a case involving a charge of human trafficking, as specified, a minor who is a victim of the human trafficking shall be provided with assistance from the local county Victim Witness Assistance Center, if the minor so desires.

An act to add Section 236.13 to the Penal Code, relating to crimes.

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2221

AB 2498 Bonta

Chapter 644, Statutes of 2016

Victim confidentiality: human trafficking.

This bill authorizes, upon request of a victim of human trafficking, the withholding of the names and images of the victim or of the victim's immediate family, as defined, from disclosure under the California Public Records Act until the investigation or any other subsequent prosecution is complete. The bill also prohibits a law enforcement agency from disclosing the names, addresses, or images of a person who alleges to be a victim of human trafficking, or of that alleged victim's immediate family, except as specified, and requires law enforcement to orally inform a person who alleges to be a victim of human trafficking of his or her right to have his or her name, addresses, or images, or those of his or her immediate family members withheld and kept confidential.

An act to amend Section 6254 of the Government Code, and to amend Sections 293 and 293.5 of, and to add Section 1048.2 to, the Penal Code, relating to human trafficking.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2498

SB 448 Hueso

Chapter 772, Statutes of 2016

Requires a person who is convicted of a felony on or after January 1, 2017, whose offense requires registration pursuant to the Sex Offender Registration Act, to register his or her internet identifiers if a court determines at the time of sentencing that any of the following apply: The person used the Internet to collect any private information to identify a victim of the crime to further the commission of the crime; The person was convicted of specified sections prohibiting human trafficking and used the internet to traffic a victim of the crime; or, The person was convicted of specified sections prohibiting child pornography and used the internet to prepare, publish, distribute, send, exchange, or download the obscene matter or matter depicting a minor engaging in sexual conduct, as defined.

An act to amend Sections 290.012, 290.014, 290.018, 290.024, and 290.45 of, and to amend and repeal Section 290.015 of, the Penal Code, relating to sex offenders.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB448

SB 823 Block

Chapter 650, Statutes of 2016

Allows a person arrested or convicted of a nonviolent crime while he or she was a human trafficking victim to apply to the court to vacate the conviction and seal and destroy records of arrest.

An act to add Section 236.14 to the Penal Code, relating to human trafficking.

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB823

SB 1322 Mitchell

Chapter 654, Statutes of 2016

Decriminalizes prostitution for those under 18 years of age. Clarifies that a minor may be taken into temporary custody under limited circumstances.

An act to amend Sections 647 and 653.22 of the Penal Code, relating to minors.

https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB1322

Domestic Violence**AB 439 Bloom**

Chapter 79, Statutes of 2015

Protective orders: batterer's programs.

This bill requires a restrained party, who has been ordered to participate in a batterer's program, to register for the program by the deadline ordered by the court, or within 30 days if no deadline is indicated. This bill requires that at the time of enrollment, the restrained party sign all necessary program consent forms to allow the program to release specified documents, including attendance records, to the court and the protected party, and to provide the court and the protected party with specified information regarding the program.

An act to amend Section 6343 of the Family Code, relating to family law.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB439

AB 536 Bloom

Chapter 73, Statutes of 2015

Domestic violence: mutual restraining orders.

This bill prohibits a court from issuing a mutual restraining order unless each party presents written evidence of abuse or domestic violence in an application for relief using the mandatory Judicial Council restraining order application form, as specified. This bill also requires, by July 1, 2016, the Judicial Council to modify forms as necessary to provide notice of this information.

An act to amend Section 6305 of the Family Code, relating to domestic violence.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB536

AB 1081 Quirk

Chapter 411, Statutes of 2015

Temporary protective orders: continuances.

This bill allows either party to request a continuance of a hearing on a temporary restraining order (TRO), as specified, which the court is required to grant on a showing of good cause, and additionally authorizes the court to grant a continuance on its own motion. This bill requires that, upon granting a continuance, any TRO that had previously been granted remains in effect until the conclusion of the continued hearing, but authorizes the court to modify or terminate that TRO.

An act to amend Sections 527.6, 527.8, and 527.85 of the Code of Civil Procedure, to amend Sections 242, 243, and 245 of the Family Code, and to amend Sections 213.5 and 15657.03 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to civil actions.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1081

AB 1407 Atkins

Chapter 415, Statutes of 2015

Domestic violence: division of wireless telephone plans.

This bill authorizes a court, beginning July 1, 2016, after notice and a hearing, to issue a domestic violence restraining order directing a wireless telephone service provider to transfer the billing responsibility and rights to a wireless telephone number to a requesting party and requires that the requesting party assume all financial responsibility for the transferred telephone number, monthly service costs, and costs for any mobile device associated with the telephone number. This bill also prohibits a cause of action against a wireless telephone service provider, its officers, employees, or agents, for actions taken in accordance with the terms of the court order.

An act to add Section 6347 to the Family Code, relating to family law.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1407

AB 1272 Grove

Chapter 91, Statutes of 2016

Protective orders: persons with developmental disabilities: sexual exploitation.

This bill authorizes the issuance of an ex parte emergency protective order when there is reason to believe that a developmentally-disabled person is in immediate danger of sexual exploitation by a developmental disability residential service provider.

An act to amend Section 1048.1 of the Penal Code, relating to crimes.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1272**AB 2057 Stone**

Chapter 859, Statutes of 2016

CalFresh: victims of domestic violence.

This bill authorizes CalFresh recipients who are residents of, or on a waiting list to get into, a shelter for battered women and children to receive expedited CalFresh services if the abuser is part of the CalFresh household. This bill also requires the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) to provide information on expedited services targeted to victims of domestic violence. This bill defers an individual who is a victim of domestic violence from mandatory placement in Employment and Training (E&T).

An act to amend Sections 18904.25 and 18926.5 of, and to add Section 18914.5 to, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to CalFresh.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2057**SB 883 Roth**

Chapter 342, Statutes of 2016

Conforms the punishment for a violation of a protection order issued after conviction of an offense involving domestic violence to the punishment for other similar protective orders. Specifically, this new law: Punishes the first violation of a post-conviction domestic violence restraining order with imprisonment in the county jail for up to one year, by a fine of up to \$1,000, or both. Requires a first violation to include imprisonment in the county jail for at least 48 hours if the violation resulted in physical injury. Punishes a second or subsequent violation occurring within seven years and involving an act of violence, or a credible threat of violence, with imprisonment in the county jail not to exceed one year, or by 16 months, or two, or three years in state prison.

An act to amend Section 166 of the Penal Code, relating to domestic violence.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB883**Sexual Violence****SB 14 Lara**

Chapter 128, Statutes of 2015

Civil action for sexual battery: consent defense.

This bill prohibits the use of consent as a defense in any sexual battery civil action involving a minor victim where the person committing the sexual battery is an adult who is in a position of authority, as defined. This bill prohibits the use of any evidence of the minor's sexual conduct with the adult perpetrator, except in limited circumstances.

An act to add Section 1708.5.5 to the Civil Code, and to amend Section 1106 of the Evidence Code, relating to civil actions.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB14

AB 701 Garcia

Chapter 848, Statutes of 2016

Provides that the Legislature finds and declares that all forms of nonconsensual sexual assault may be considered rape for purposes of the gravity of the offense and the support of survivors.

An act to add Section 263.1 to the Penal Code, relating to sex crimes.

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AB 1682 Stone

Chapter 876, Statutes of 2016

Secret settlements.

This bill expands the type of civil actions which cannot be the subject of secret settlements.

Specifically, it prohibits the secret settlement of a civil action based upon any of the following: 1)

An act of childhood sexual abuse, whether a felony or a 17 misdemeanor; and 2) An act of sexual exploitation of a minor; or 3) An act of sexual abuse of an elder or dependent adult.

An act to amend Section 1002 of the Code of Civil Procedure, relating to civil procedure.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1682

AB 1744 Cooper

Chapter 857, Statutes of 2016

Requires the Department of Justice's Bureau of Forensic Services, the California Association of Crime Laboratory Directors, and the California Association of Criminalists to work collaboratively with public crime laboratories, in conjunction with the California Clinical Forensic Medical Training Center, to develop a standardized sexual assault forensic medical evidence kit, containing minimum basic components, to be used by all California jurisdictions.

An act to amend Section 13823.12 of, and to add Section 13823.14 to, the Penal Code, relating to sexual assault.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1744

AB 2499 Maienschein

Chapter 884, Statutes of 2016

Requires the Department of Justice, on or before July 1, 2018, and in consultation with law enforcement agencies and crime victims groups, to establish a process by which victims of sexual assault may inquire regarding the location and information regarding their sexual assault evidence kits.

An act to add Section 680.1 to the Penal Code, relating to crimes.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2499

SB 813 Leyva

Chapter 777, Statutes of 2016

Eliminates any statute of limitations for specified sex crimes. Specifically, this new law: Provides that prosecution for the following offenses may commence at any time: Rape, as specified; Spousal rape, as specified; Rape in concert, as specified; Sodomy, as specified; Lewd acts upon

a child involving "substantial sexual conduct," as specified; Continuous sexual abuse of a child; Oral copulation, as specified; and, Sexual penetration, as specified. Specifies that the elimination of the statute of limitations shall only apply to crimes that were committed on or after January 1, 2017, or for which the statute of limitations that was in effect before January 1, 2017, has not run as of that date.

An act to amend Sections 799, 801.1, and 803 of the Penal Code, relating to crimes.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB813

SB 420 Huff

Chapter 734, Statutes of 2016

Defines and divides the crime of prostitution. Specifically, this new law divides prostitution into three separate categories of offenses: The defendant agreed to receive compensation, received compensation, or solicited compensation in exchange for a lewd act. The defendant provided compensation, agreed to provide compensation, or solicited an adult to accept compensation in exchange for a lewd act. The defendant provided compensation, or agreed to provide compensation, to a minor in exchange for a lewd act, regardless of which party made the initial solicitation.

An act to amend Section 647 of the Penal Code, relating to prostitution.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB420

Women and Girls in the Criminal Justice System

AB 1705 Rodriguez

Chapter 162, Statutes of 2016

Authorizes law enforcement to use a body scanner to search a person arrested for the commission of any misdemeanor or infraction and 11 taken into custody. Requires an agency utilizing a body scanner to try to avoid knowingly using a body scanner on a woman who is pregnant. Requires a person within sight of the image depicting the body of the detainee to be of the same sex as the detainee, except for physicians or licensed medical personnel.

An act to amend Section 4030 of the Penal Code, relating to jails.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1705

AB 2590 Weber

Chapter 696, Statutes of 2016

Finds and declares that the purpose of sentencing is public safety achieved through punishment, rehabilitation, and restorative justice and directs the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) to develop a mission statement consistent with this bill's findings and declarations. Encourages CDCR to develop programs and policies to educate and rehabilitate eligible inmates.

An act to amend Section 1170 of the Penal Code, relating to sentencing.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB2590

SB 420 Huff

Chapter 734, Statutes of 2016

Defines and divides the crime of prostitution. Specifically, this new law divides prostitution into three separate categories of offenses: The defendant agreed to receive compensation, received compensation, or solicited compensation in exchange for a lewd act. The defendant provided compensation, agreed to provide compensation, or solicited an adult to accept compensation in exchange for a lewd act. The defendant provided compensation, or agreed to provide compensation, to a minor in exchange for a lewd act, regardless of which party made the initial solicitation.

An act to amend Section 647 of the Penal Code, relating to prostitution.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB420

SB 1129 Monning

Chapter 724, Statutes of 2016

Repeals mandatory minimum sentences for specified prostitution offenses. Specifically, this new law repeals the mandatory minimum terms for repeated prostitution offenses, leaving discretion with the court to impose an appropriate sentence as follows: Eliminates the requirement that a person convicted for a second prostitution offense must serve a sentence of at least 45 days, no part of which can be suspended or reduced by the court, regardless of whether or not the court grants probation. Eliminates the requirement that a person convicted for a third prostitution offense shall serve a sentence of at least 90 days, no part of which can be suspended or reduced by the court regardless of whether or not the court grants probation.

An act to amend Section 647 of the Penal Code, relating to crimes.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB1129

SB 1433 Mitchell

Chapter 311, Statutes of 2016

Provides that any incarcerated person in the state prison who menstruates shall, upon request, have improved access to personal hygiene materials, and contraceptive services, as specified.

An act to repeal and add Section 3409 of the Penal Code, relating to incarcerated persons.

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Juvenile Justice

SB 1143 Leno

Chapter 726, Statutes of 2016

Establishes statutory guidelines and restrictions, to take into effect January 1, 2018, on the use of room confinement of minors or wards who are confined in a juvenile facility, as defined.

Specifically, this new law: Provides that room confinement shall not be used before other less restrictive options have been attempted and exhausted, unless attempting those options poses a threat to the safety or security of any minor, ward, or staff. States that room confinement shall not be used for the purposes of punishment, coercion, convenience, or retaliation by staff. States that room confinement shall not be used to the extent that it compromises the mental and physical health of the minor or ward. Provides that a minor or ward may be held up to four

hours in room confinement, and after the minor or ward has been held in room confinement for a period of four hours.

An act to add Section 208.3 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to juveniles.

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Young Women and Girls

Foster Youth

AB 224 Jones-Sawyer

Chapter 554, Statutes of 2015

Pupils: educational liaison for foster children.

Requires the California Department of Education to develop a standardized notice of educational rights of foster youth, post the notice on its website, and provide the notice to foster youth liaisons, foster youth, parents or educational rights holders.

An act to amend Sections 48204, 48645.5, 48853, and 48853.5 of the Education Code, and to amend Sections 317 and 16010 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to pupils.

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AB 260 Lopez

Chapter 511, Statutes of 2015

Foster care: parenting youth.

This bill makes a Legislative declaration that a child shall not be considered to be at risk of abuse or neglect solely on the basis of information concerning the parent's or parents' placement history, past behaviors, or health or mental health diagnoses occurring prior to the pregnancy of the child, as specified. It prohibits that history from being used in deciding a child's placement, unless the court deems it materially relevant.

An act to amend Section 16002.5 of, and to add Sections 361.8 and 825.5 to, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to foster care.

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AB 379 Gordon

Chapter 772, Statutes of 2015

Foster youth: complaint of noncompliance.

Expands the Uniform Complaint Procedures to include complaints of non-compliance with certain rights and responsibilities regarding the education of students who are in foster care or who are homeless, including school placement decisions, responsibilities of foster youth liaisons, provisions regarding school transfers, exemption from locally imposed graduation requirements, and the awarding of partial credit for completed coursework.

An act to amend Sections 48853, 48853.5, 49069.5, 51225.1, and 51225.2 of, and to amend the heading of Chapter 5.5 (commencing with Section 48850) of Part 27 of Division 4 of Title 2 of, the Education Code, relating to foster youth.

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SB 238 Mitchell, Beall

Chapter 534, Statutes of 2015

Foster care: psychotropic medication.

This bill requires certification and training programs for foster parents, child welfare social workers, group home administrators, public health nurses, dependency court judges and court appointed counsel to include training on psychotropic medication, trauma, and behavioral health, as specified, for children receiving child welfare services.

An act to amend Sections 1522.41 and 1529.2 of the Health and Safety Code, and to amend Sections 304.7, 317, 369.5, 739.5, 16003, 16206, and 16501.3 of, and to add Section 16501.4 to, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to foster care.

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SB 319 Beall

Chapter 535, Statutes of 2015

Child welfare services: public health nursing. Expands the duties of the foster care public health nurse to include monitoring and oversight of the administration of psychotropic medication to foster children, as specified.

An act to amend Sections 1507.6 and 1536 of, and to add Sections 1538.8 and 1538.9 to, the Health and Safety Code, and to amend Section 11469 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to juveniles.

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SB 731 Leno

Chapter 805, Statutes of 2015

Foster children: housing: gender identity.

Requires foster children and nonminor dependents in out-of-home care to be placed according to their gender identity. Adds this requirement to the Foster Children Bill of Rights.

An act to add Section 1502.8 to the Health and Safety Code, and to amend Section 16001.9 of, and to add Section 16006 to, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to foster care.

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SB 794 Committee on Human Services

Chapter 425, Statutes of 2015

Child welfare services.

This bill brings the state into compliance with the federal Preventing Sex Trafficking, and Strengthening Families Act (Public Law 113-183), as required to maintain federal child welfare funding. Specifically, it conforms state with federal law in the areas of sex trafficking prevention and data collection, the state's reasonable and prudent parent standards, reinvestment of savings into post-adoption and guardianship services, elimination of the option of long-term group placement (APPLA) for children under age 16; and other specific policies intended to ensure foster children achieve successful outcomes as adults.

An act to amend Section 7950 of the Family Code, to add Section 1522.44 to the Health and Safety Code, to amend Sections 11165.1 and 11166 of the Penal Code, and to amend Sections 309, 362.04, 362.05, 362.1, 366, 366.21, 366.22, 366.25, 366.26, 366.3, 366.31, 706.5, 706.6, 727.2, 727.3, 10618.6, 11386, 16002, 16003, 16118, 16131, 16131.5, 16501, and 16501.1 of, and to add Sections 16501.35, 16501.45, and 16519.51 to, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to child welfare.

http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billCompareClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160SB794

AB 1299 Ridley-Thomas

Chapter 603, Statutes of 2016

Medi-Cal: specialty mental health services: foster children.

Requires the California Health and Human Services Agency to coordinate with the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) and the Department of Social Services to facilitate the receipt of medically necessary specialty mental health services for foster youth.

An act to amend Section 14714 of, and to add Section 14717.1 to, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to Medi-Cal.

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AB 1911 Eggman

Chapter 637, Statutes of 2016

Dual-status minors.

This bill requires the Judicial Council to convene a committee of stakeholders involved in serving the needs of juvenile dependents and wards to develop and report to the Legislature recommendations to facilitate and enhance comprehensive data and outcome tracking for the state's dual-status youth by January 1, 2018. This bill also requires the California Department of Social Services (CDSS), on or before January 1, 2019, to implement a function within the applicable child welfare case management system that will enable county child welfare agencies and probation departments to identify dual-status youth within their counties, and to issue instructions to all counties on the manner in which to completely and consistently track the involvement of these youth in both systems.

An act to repeal and add Section 241.2 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to juveniles.

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Women in the Military, Women Veterans, and Military Families

AB 388 Chang

Chapter 692, Statutes of 2015

Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), in collaboration with the Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet) to include specified information relating to the effectiveness of the Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention (VHHP) Bond Act of 2014 in an annual report, including information relating to the effectiveness of assisted projects in helping veterans occupying any supportive housing or transitional housing development that was issued funds pursuant to the VHHP.

An act to amend Section 50408 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to housing.

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AB 413 Chávez

Chapter 513, Statutes of 2015

This bill authorizes a spouse or child to enter into additional state contracts during the existing three-year designation extension following the death or permanent disability of an owner of a certified disabled veteran-owned business enterprise (DVBE).

An act to amend Section 999 of the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans.

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AB 583 Chávez

Chapter 183, Statutes of 2015

Military service: employment protections.

This bill extends existing employment and reemployment protections to members of national guards of other states, when they leave positions of private employment within California because they are called to active state service by other states' governors or into active federal service by the President of the United States.

An act to amend Section 395.06 of the Military and Veterans Code, relating to military service.

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AB 1401 Baker

Chapter 254, Statutes of 2015

This bill requests the Office of the Adjutant General (OTAG) to provide specified assistance, regarding higher education, to members of the California National Guard (CNG), State Military Reserve (SMR), and Naval Militia, who do not have a baccalaureate degree.

An act to add Section 981.8 to the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans.

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SB 221 Jackson

Chapter 794, Statutes of 2015

This bill permits state employees, who are military veterans with service-connected disabilities, to receive 96 hours of additional sick leave dedicated to health care treatment of those disabilities.

An act to amend Section 19859 of the Government Code, relating to public employment.

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SB 466 Hill

Chapter 489, statutes of 2015

This bill requires the Board of Registered Nursing to ensure that its rules and regulations provide for methods of evaluating education, training, and experience obtained in military service if such training is applicable to the requirements of the particular profession or vocation regulated by the board, among other things.

An act to amend Sections 2701, 2708, and 2786 of, to add Sections 2718 and 2786.1 to, and to repeal Section 2736.5 of, the Business and Professions Code, relating to nursing.

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SB 1180 Jackson

Chapter 728, Statutes of 2016

Public school employees: military veterans: leave of absence for illness or injury.

Provides school employees, who are military veterans with service-connected disabilities, with additional paid leaves of absence for illness or injury, for the purpose of undergoing medical treatment for those disabilities during their first year of employment.

An act to add Sections 44978.2 and 45191.5 to the Education Code, relating to school employees.

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SB 1455 Block

Chapter 312, Statutes of 2016

Pupil enrollment: military dependents.

Provides that a student meets residency requirements for school attendance if the student's parent is transferred to a military installation that is within the boundaries of the school district and requires a school district to accept applications for those students by electronic means for enrollment, including enrollment in a specific school or program within the school district, and course registration.

An act to add Section 48204.3 to the Education Code, relating to pupil enrollment.

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