

CHEAC Legislative Bill Chart 2013 - #9

April 5, 2013

Bill Number/ Author/Location	Description	CHEAC Position	Comments	Subject
Assembly Bills				
AB 18/Pan A – Health Amended 3/19/13 Hearing: 4/23/13	Enacts a provision for qualified health plans, participating on the Health Benefits Exchange and who do not otherwise cover pediatric dental care, that they would be exempt from the Essential Health Benefit pediatric dental requirement if stand-alone dental plans are also offered on the Exchange.	Watch/BB 3/28/13		Health Reform
AB 35/Hernandez A – Judiciary Amended 4/4/13 Hearing: 4/9/13	Allows undocumented individuals (under age 31 as of 6/15/12) that have been authorized to participate in the federal deferred action program (allowing certain young undocumented individuals, who meet specific requirements, to have renewable 2-year deportation reprieves) to be eligible for public benefits in California to the same extent as a legal residents. unemployment benefits.	Watch 12/13/12	Please note according to the federal government under this program, these individuals are not considered lawful residents. Amended to non-relevant subject matter. Will be dropped from subsequent charts.	Public Benefits
AB 38/J. Perez A - Agriculture Amended 3/19/13	Creates the Office of Farm to Fork in the Department of Agriculture. The office is charged with working with variety of stakeholders, including county agencies, involved in promoting food access to increase the amount of agricultural products available to schools and underserved communities.	S -2 3/28/13	Supportive of efforts to improve access to healthy foods.	Nutrition
AB 50/Pan A – Health Hearing: 4/30/13	Implements a process allowing hospitals to determine Medi-Cal presumptive eligibility for individuals seeking care in their institutions as allowed under the ACA. Allows Medi-Cal applicants or recipients to elect to have their program renewal application prepopulated or electronically verified in real time using their personal information from their case file. Requires DHCS by 1/1/15 to develop a new process for informing enrollees about Medi-Cal Managed Care and cancels the outside vendor (Maximus) contract that currently provides that service.	Watch 1/17/13		Medi-Cal Eligibility

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AB 64/Donnelly A - Transportation Amended 2/7/13 Hearing: 4/22/13	Exempts a passenger in a recreational off-highway vehicle secured in a child safety seat from wearing a safety helmet. Modifies the effective date of existing provisions that disallow a passenger from riding in an off-highway vehicle in any place on the vehicle not specifically designed for a passenger if the vehicle was manufactured before 1/1/14.	O-2 2/28/13	Opposed to weakening existing safety provisions. Same as SB 234/Walters and similar to SB 334/Fuller.	Injury Prevention
AB 68/Maienchein A – Appr Amended 4/1/13 Hearing: 4/10/13	When notifying counties about medical parole hearings or medical parole releases, CDCR is currently required to notify both the county where the inmate was committed and the county where the inmate will be released. This bill would now require CDCR to also notify the county where the inmate last legally resided.	Watch 3/15/13		Jail Medical
AB 145/Perea A – Env Safety & Toxic Mat.	Transfers all drinking water responsibilities from CDPH to the State Water Resources Board. Health officers still retain their local drinking water enforcement powers.	Watch/BB 1/31/13		Public Health
AB 168/Wilk	Vehicle License Fee spot bill.	Watch 1/31/13		VLF
AB 175/VM Perez A - Health Amended 3/19/13 Hearing: 4/23/13	Creates the Uncovered Worker Health Trust Fund, with funds collected from private donors, charitable donations and contributing employers, to provide comprehensive primary health care services to seasonal farm workers. DHCS would be tasked with setting up an application process for community health centers to apply for funds. Other provisions.	Watch/BB 3/28/13		Healthcare Coverage Clinics
AB 191/Bocanegra A – Appr	Waives the CalFresh gross income test for those individuals who are eligible for CalFresh and who are enrolled or eligible for Medi-Cal.	S-2 1/31/13	Expands access to CalFresh.	Medi-Cal CalFresh
AB 209/Pan A - Appr Amended 3/19/13	Requires DHCS to develop and implement a plan to monitor the quality and accessibility of Medi-Cal managed care health care and dental services. The Department must also create a public dashboard that provides current information on quality and access, and conduct quarterly public meetings to report on performance measures. The Department must also identify and develop strategies to reduce health disparities. Will be implemented only to the extent funding is provided through the annual budget act or federal or private funds are available.	S-2 2/28/13	Supportive of efforts to ensure access and quality care.	Medi-Cal Managed Care
AB 224/Gordon A – Agriculture Hearing: 5/1/13	Adds several definitions to existing law on various groupings related to the direct marketing of agricultural products including California-grown box programs, community-supported agriculture programs, and both single-farm and multiform community-supported agriculture.	W/R CCDEH 2/28/13	Who has oversight?	Environmental Health
AB 268/Holden A - Health	Includes a patient’s representative among those who can request access to patient’s health record summaries.	Watch 2/28/13		Health Records

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AB 272/Gomez A – Appr Hearing: 4/10/13	Changes the age requirement for dog owners to vaccinate their dogs from four months to three months.	S-2 2/28/13	Sponsor: HOAC Aligns CA law with national rabies vaccination standards.	Animal Control
AB 318/Logue A - Health Amended 3/19/13 Hearing: 4/9/13	Allows the use of telehealth dental services as a billable Medi-Cal service. Defines how a patient’s dental information is accessed either in “real-time” or at a later date by a licensed dentist. Does not require a patient to have face-to-face contact with the licensed dentist to receive services.	S-2 3/28/13	Supportive of expanding access to dental health services.	Telehealth Dental Health
AB 320/Nazarian A – Appr Amended 4/2/13	Requires all school districts, charter schools and county education offices that receive tobacco education prevention funding to adopt/implement a tobacco-free environment whether or not they receive tobacco education funding . Prohibits the use of tobacco in county offices of education, charter schools or school district-owned or leased buildings, on school or district property and in school or district vehicles. Expands eligibility for tobacco education prevention funding to charter schools. Other provisions.	Watch 2/28/13	Sponsor: State Superintendent of Schools	Tobacco
AB 322/Yamada A – Hum Serv Hearing: 4/16/13	Enacts the Home Care Services Act to govern the licensing and certification of home care entities and workers. Requires home care aides, starting 1/1/14, to take TB tests, and continue to undergo examinations every two years.	Watch 2/28/13		TB
AB 332/Hall A – Arts, Entertain, Sports & Tourism; Labor & Employ. Amended 4/1/13 Hearing: 4/9/13	Requires all adult industry employers in the state to maintain work practice controls to protect their employees from exposure to and infection by, sexually transmitted diseases.	Watch/BB 2/28/13	Sponsor: AIDS Healthcare Foundation Expands the LA County Measure B ordinance statewide.	Public Health
AB 333/Wieckowski A – Env. Safety & Toxic Mat Amended 3/12/13 Hearing: 4/16/13	Requires animal carcasses, for those that have died of infectious diseases or have been euthanized due to suspected exposure to infectious disease, to be treated with a treatment technology approved by CDPH if an attending vet or local health officer determines the carcass presents an infectious threat to humans.	Watch/BB 3/28/13	Sponsor: Stericycle (medical & biohazard waste disposal services company)	Animal Control Health Officers
AB 352/Hall A – Human Services Hearing: 4/16/13	Bans smoking in foster care homes, including the garage, bathrooms and in the foster family’s vehicles.	Watch/BB 2/28/13		Tobacco

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AB 357/Pan A - Health	Requires the Health & Human Services Agency to create the California Healthy Child Advisory Task Force who are tasked with developing recommendations on improving child health systems and setting goals and standards for children's health coverage in CA.	Watch 2/28/13		Child Health
AB 358/Holden A – Env Safety & Toxic Mat.; Health Amended 3/19/13 Hearing: 4/16/13	Requires that any lead hazard evaluation for public or private buildings be conducted in a manner that provides quantitative or qualitative results, as determined by CDPH, using tests recognized by the US EPA.	Watch/BB 2/28/13		Public Health
AB 361/Mitchell A – Appr Amended 4/4/13	Allows DHCS to design a federal waiver to create health homes for Medi-Cal enrollees with chronic conditions, pending federal approval and if non-General Fund funding is secured. Requires DHCS to require a lead provider for the program to be a physician , community clinic, mental health plan, community-based nonprofit organization, a county health system, or a hospital.	Watch/BB 2/28/13	CSAC supports.	Medi-Cal
AB 369/Pan A - Health	Changes the date of the California Health Benefit Exchange required report to the Legislature on the ACA option to merge the individual and small employer insurance markets in the Exchange from December 1, 2018 to March 1, 2019.	Watch 2/28/13		Health Exchange
AB 411/Pan A – Appr	Requires all Medi-Cal Managed Care plans, including COHS and LI's, to analyze their HEDIS or EAS data to identify, by race and ethnicity, disparities in medical treatment and post this information on their website and to then implement strategies to reduce those disparities.	Watch/BB 2/28/13		Medi-Cal Health Disparities
AB 419/Lowenthal A – Appr	Repeals a provision that prohibits a child from receiving CalWORKS benefits while a patient in a public hospital for an extended amount of time.	S-2 2/28/13	Sponsor: CWDA Punitive to children who seek care via public hospitals versus private hospitals.	Hospitals Child Health
AB 422/Nazarian A - Health	Adds notices about Covered California/Health Benefit Exchange and Medi-Cal eligibility in the application packets for the free and reduced lunch school program.	S-2 2/28/13	Sponsors: CA Pan-Ethnic Health Network & St. John's Well Child & Family Center Support outreach efforts to eligible populations.	Health Exchange Medi-Cal

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AB 446/Mitchell A – Judiciary & Health	Requires an HIV test be performed for every blood draw ordered by an emergency room, public health clinic or urgent care clinic, and requires test results to be given to the patient prior leaving. Allows HIV test results to be posted on a secured website. Eliminates medical provider requirements to provide HIV testing and treatment information to patients. Eliminates the requirement for a written statement for written consent.	WC/BB 2/28/13		HIV/AIDS Public Health Clinics
AB 459/Mitchell A – Business, Prof, & Cons. Protect.	Revises the accepted nutritional guidelines for foods offered in vending machines for state agencies, and requires all foods to meet those guidelines phased in over three years.	S-2 2/28/13	Aligns with efforts to support ways to prevent chronic disease and promote wellness.	Nutrition
AB 464/Daly A – Health <i>Hearing: 4/16/13</i>	Allows requests and notarized statements for vital records to be submitted to registrars to be a digitized image.	Watch/BB 2/28/13		Vital Records
AB 505/Nazarian A – Health <i>Hearing: 4/23/13</i>	Requires Medi-Cal Managed Care plans to provide language assistance services to limited-English-proficient (LED) enrollees.	Watch 2/28/13		Medi-Cal Managed Care
AB 506/Mitchell A – Human Serv & Judiciary <i>Hearing: 4/16/13 (HS)</i>	Allows a social worker to provide HIV testing consent for infants that are in temporary custody or wards of the court.	S-2 2/28/13	Ensures prompt diagnoses of vulnerable population.	Child Health HIV/AIDS
AB 540/Pan A – Health <i>Hearing: 4/23/13</i>	Requires CDPH to establish and maintain the California Electronic Violent Death Reporting System.	Watch 2/28/13		Vital Records
AB 596/Brown	Spot bill on the grant program created in last year’s budget that would fund projects to demonstrate new or enhanced cost-effective methods of delivering high quality health care for vulnerable populations.	Watch 2/28/13		Health Care
AB 599/Donnelly A – Health <i>Hearing: 4/16/13</i>	Prohibits a minor, who is 12 years of age or older and seeking medical care related to STD prevention, from receiving a vaccine without their parent or guardian’s consent.	Watch 2/28/13		Immunizations
AB 623/Lowenthal A – Public Safety <i>Hearing: 4/16/13</i>	Prohibits administering psychiatric medications to county inmates without their informed consent.	Watch 2/28/13		Jail Medical

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AB 626/Skinner & Lowenthal A – Health; Education <i>Hearing: 4/17/13</i>	Allows the use of cafeteria operating funds to provide drinking water in cafeterias for students. Limits the types of foods that can be sold to students before and after school. Other provisions.	Watch 2/28/13	Sponsor: Department of Education	Nutrition
AB 635/Ammiano A – Floor	Eliminates provisions allowing local health departments to operate opioid prevention and treatment training programs. Instead allows health care providers to prescribe and dispense opioid overdose prevention drugs to at-risk persons or their family or friends.	S-2 2/28/13	Sponsor: HARM Reduction Coalition and the Drug Policy Alliance Supportive of overdose prevention activities.	AOD Programs
AB 639/J. Perez A – Housing & Comm. Develop. <i>Hearing: 4/17/13</i>	Amends the Veteran’s Bond Act of 2008 to authorize a portion of those funds going to a new program that would provide funds to expand housing and service options for veterans. Funding priority would be given to projects that combine housing and supportive services including job training, mental health and drug treatment and physical rehabilitation.	Watch/BB 3/28/13		Veterans
AB 657/Nazarian	Spot bill the new Office of Health Equity.	Watch 3/15/13		Women’s Health
AB 678/Gordon A – Local Gov’t <i>Hearing: 4/17/13</i>	Requires health care districts to conduct a community needs assessment every five years in a process that allows public input. They must also report every year on the progress they make on the needs identified in the assessment.	Watch 3/15/13		Health Care Districts
AB 681/Melendez A – Public Safety	Increases the amount that counties are allowed to collect for inmate-initiated medical visits from \$3 to \$10.	S-2 3/15/13	Discourages inappropriate jail medical visits and allows co’s to defray a minor portion of their costs.	Jail Medical
AB 689/Bonta A – Appr Amended 3/20/13	Requires hospitals to offer influenza vaccinations to all patients at discharge, unless their physician recommends against it. Hospitals are not required to cover the costs.	Watch/BB 3/15/13		Immunizations
AB 720/Skinner A – Public Safety <i>Hearing: 4/16/13</i>	Requires county sheriffs to assist inmates, who are Medi-Cal eligible, get enrolled in Medi-Cal 30 days before their release date. They must also provide Health Care Exchange information to those inmates ineligible for Medi-Cal and who do not have health insurance 30 days prior to their release.	Watch/BB 3/15/13		Jail Medical

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AB 725/Wilk A - Judiciary Amended 3/19/13 Hearing: 4/16/13	Requires the Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS) Secretary to apply for a federal grant with the intent of designing a program that would create health courts based upon a no-fault process to improve the resolution of liability for medical injuries. The program must not conflict with the existing Medical Injury Compensation Reform Act (MICRA).	Watch/BB 3/28/13		Medical Liability
AB 746/Levine A – Housing & Community Dev. Amended 4/2/13 Hearing: 4/17/13	Prohibits smoking in multi-family dwellings. Allows for designated smoking areas with several restrictions. Includes pre-emption language allowing cities and counties to adopt more stringent policies. Requires CDPH to develop and implement a smoking cessation awareness and education program including the penalties that may be imposed for violating these provisions.	S-2/BB 3/15/13	Supportive of prohibition in order to reduce second hand smoke exposure.	Tobacco
AB 751/Nazarian	Spot bill on women’s health.	Watch 3/15/13		Women’s Health
AB 760/Dickinson A – Rev & Tax Amended 3/19/13 Hearing: 4/15/13	Imposes a 5 cent tax on the sales of all ammunition in the state and also imposes an excise tax on the storage, use or other consumption of ammunition purchased. Funds collected would go to the School-Based Early Mental Health Intervention and Prevention Services Matching Grant Program	Watch 3/15/13	School-Based Early Mental Health Intervention and Prevention funding was eliminated in last year’s budget.	Mental Health
AB 771/Jones A - Health Amended 3/19/13	Requires the Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS) Secretary to apply to federal HHS to allow California to be a participating pilot state in a wellness program demonstration project. Also requires CHHS to petition federal HHS to change federal regulations to allow employers to offer employee rewards of up to 50% of the cost of their health care for participating in the wellness program.	Watch 3/28/13		Wellness Programs
AB 779/Bocanegra A – Gov’t Org Amended 3/19/13	Spot bill on the EMS Act.	Watch 3/15/13	Amended to non-relevant subject matter. Will be dropped from subsequent charts.	EMS
AB 784/Weber A - Health Amended 3/19/13 Hearing: 4/16/13	Creates an advisory committee to look at the impact of the ACA on IHSS worker health care benefits with the intent to provide advice to appropriate IHSS employers about providing health care for their workers.	Watch 3/28/13		IHSS
AB 809/Logue A – Health; Bus, Profs, & Cons. Protect. Amended: 4/3/13 Hearing: 4/9/13	Eliminates the requirement that Requires patients be provided with a waiver verbal consent when utilizing telehealth services to obtain informed consent. Signed waivers must be filed in the patient’s medical record.	Watch 3/15/13		Telehealth

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AB 831/Bloom A – Health Amended 4/3/13 <i>Hearing: 4/9/13</i>	Establishes a temporary working group within the California Health and Human Services Agency to develop a plan to reduce the rate of fatal drug overdoses. Appropriates \$500,000 from the General Fund to establish a grant program to provide funds for drug overdose prevention and education programs.	Watch 3/15/13		EMS
AB 839/Mansoor	Spot bill on health facilities.	Watch 3/15/13		Health Facilities
AB 900/Alejo A – Health <i>Hearing: 4/30/13</i>	Exempts skilled nursing facilities that are a distinct part of a hospital from the 10% Medi-Cal provider payment reductions enacted in the 11/12 State Budget.	SIB 3/15/13		Medi-Cal
AB 918/Cooley A – Gov’t Org <i>Hearing: 4/24/13</i>	Authorizes OES to prepare specialized plans for the elderly and disabled in emergencies.	Watch/BB 3/13/15	Sponsor: CA Senior Legislature	Emergency Preparedness
AB 975/Wieckowski A – Rev & Tax Amended 3/21/13	Defines both what is and is not charity care. Requires non-profit private hospitals and multi-specialty clinics to complete a community needs assessment and a community health plan (and to revise these every two years). These hospitals and clinics would be required to consult with local government officials, including local health departments, in the development of both the assessment and the health plan. Community stakeholders must also be consulted. Requires these entities to maintain their non-profit status by filing financial statements with OSHPD and the BOE itemizing the charity care they’ve provided.	SIB 3/15/13	Sponsor: California Nurses Association (CNA)	Health Facilities
AB 999/Bonta A – Public Safety Amended 3/21/13 <i>Hearing: 4/9/13</i>	Requires CDCR to implement a program to provide condoms in all state prisons within five years. Requires that local public health, among others, be included in local institutional condom program planning and implementation activities.	Watch 3/28/13		Public Health
AB 1002/Bloom A – Transportation <i>Hearing: 4/15/13</i>	Imposes an additional \$6 vehicle registration or renewal fee with funds collected used to fund the implementation of sustainable community strategies.	Watch 3/15/13		Built Environment
AB 1087/Torres	Spot bill on the Medi-Cal Bridge to Reform Waiver.	Watch 3/15/13		Health Reform
AB 1106/Waldron A - Judiciary Amended 3/21/13	Limits the liability of county jails and correctional facilities for failure to comply with state prison standards in the provision of care including medical, dental, mental health, prevention health, etc.	Watch 3/28/13		Jail Medical

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AB 1142/Bloom A – Water, Parks & Wildlife Amended 3/21/13 Hearing: 4/16/13	Bans smoking at all state parks and beaches, and requires the Department of Parks and Recreation to develop and post “no smoking” signs at those locations.	S-2 3/28/13	Aligns with smoking prevention activities.	Public Health Tobacco
AB 1174/ Bocanegra A – Bus, Prof & Cons. Protect. Amended 3/21/13 Hearing: 4/16/13	Expands allowable scope practices for registered dental assistants and dental hygienists. Allows the use of telehealth dental services as a billable Medi-Cal service. Defines how a patient’s dental information is accessed either in “real-time” or at a later date by a licensed dentist. Does not require a patient to have face-to-face contact with the licensed dentist to receive services.	Watch 3/28/13		Dental Health
AB 1182/Brown	Spot bill on healthcare workforce.	Watch 3/15/13		Workforce
AB 1194/Ammiano A – Transportation Amended 4/1/13 Hearing: 4/15/13	Appropriates \$46 million, consisting of both federal and state transportation funds, for the Safe Routes to Schools Program. Requires that 20% of the funding be dedicated to activities including encouraging walking and bicycling to school, traffic education and enforcement near schools and funding for training for volunteers and managers of safe routes to school programs.	Watch 3/15/13		Public Health
AB 1208/Pan A – Health Amended 4/1/13 Hearing: 4/16/13	Defines the terms “medical home” and “patient centered medical home” to mean a delivery model where patients develop an ongoing relationship with a PCP who works in a physician led practice that coordinates the patient’s care across the health care system.	W/BB 3/15/13		Medical Homes
AB 1215/Hagman A – Health; Bus, Profs & Cons. Protect. Hearing: 4/16/13	Expands the definition of clinical lab director to include a “duly licensed clinical laboratory scientist.”	Watch 3/15/13		Clinical Labs
AB 1225/Maienchein A – Health; Local Government	Changes 1991 Realignment transfer authority to allow counties to transfer an additional 10% out of their health or social services realignment accounts to their mental health account (in addition to existing transfer authority).	WC/BB 3/15/13		1991 Realignment
AB 1233/Chesbro A – Health Hearing: 4/16/13	Allows Native American tribes to use CalHEERS to enroll applicants into Medi-Cal as part of their Medi-Cal Administrative Claiming process.	Watch/BB 3/15/13		Medi-Cal
AB 1246/Nestande	Spot bill on direct service contracts within the California Health and Human Services Agency.	Watch 3/15/13		CHHS

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AB 1263/Perez A – Public Employ, Retire & SS Amended 3/21/13 <i>Hearing: 4/10/13</i>	Creates the CommuniCal program to provide language interpretation services to limited English proficient (LEP) Medi-Cal beneficiaries. Allows registered and certified interpreters to collectively bargain.	Watch 3/15/13		Medi-Cal
AB 1288/VM Perez A – Health Amended 3/21/13 <i>Hearing: 4/23/13</i>	Requires eligible teaching hospitals to demonstrate that they provide primary care, pediatric care, and obstetrics and gynecology care to medically underserved populations before receiving Medi-Cal education supplemental payment funds, administered by DHCS.	Watch 3/15/13		Medi-Cal
ABX1 1/Perez S - Health	Makes several changes to the Medi-Cal program consistent with the federal ACA including expanding Medi-Cal eligibility to all legal adults under age 65 at 133% FPL (also includes language allowing a 5% income disregard effectively making the rate 138% FPL). Eliminates the asset test and semi-annual status reports for Medi-Cal enrollees and allows for 12-month eligibility for enrollees. Defines how LIHP enrollees will be transitioned into the Medi-Cal program. Expands Medi-Cal coverage to foster children up to age 26. Delineates new Medi-Cal eligibility rules including the modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) determination. Adds any essential health benefit adopted by the state and approved by the federal government to the list of approved Medi-Cal benefits. Other provisions.	S-1 2/28/13	Same as SBX1 1/Hernandez & Steinberg Support the expansion of Medi-Cal to childless adults and Medi-Cal eligibility and enrollment simplifications. Also support provisions to ensure the seamless transition of LIHP enrollees into Medi-Cal.	Medi-Cal Health Reform LIHP
ABX1 2/Pan S - Health Amended 4/1/13 <i>Hearing: 4/10/13</i>	Makes several changes to the individual health insurance market including grandfathered plans consistent with the ACA. Creates a CHIP continuation coverage program for individuals who received HFP coverage on or after 1/1/12 and who was disenrolled from the program due to aging out and is not eligible for full scope Medi-Cal benefits. Coverage would be offered to these individuals until 1/1/14.	SIB 1/31/13	Same as SBX1 2/Hernandez	Health Insurance Market Reform CHIP Coverage
Senate Bills				
SB 18/Hernandez S – Rules	Intent bill to enact individual health care coverage market reforms consistent with federal health reform.	Watch 12/13/12		Health Reform
SB 28/Hernandez & Steinberg S – Health	Eliminates the use of the Medi-Cal eligibility assets or resources test. Requires DHCS to instead use the modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) of an individual or the household income of a family for the purposes of determining Medi-Cal eligibility. Outlines the benefit package for the newly eligible MAGI population. Adopts the Essential Health Benefits package, as adopted by the state and approved by the federal government, for the Medi-Cal program.	SIB 12/13/12		Health Reform Medi-Cal

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SB 117/Rubio S – Health; Environ. Quality	Transfers all drinking water responsibilities from CDPH to the State Water Resources Board.	Watch/BB 1/31/13	HOAC opposed.	Public Health
SB 128/Emmerson S – Rules	Spot bill regarding health care professional shortages during emergencies.	Watch 1/31/13		Emergency Preparedness
SB 134/Rubio S – Human Serv	Requires the Department of Social Services to seek federal approval to limit CalFresh recipient access to sugar sweetened beverages.	S-2/BB 1/31/13	Aligns with efforts to support ways to prevent chronic disease and promote wellness.	Public Health CalFresh
SB 138/Hernandez S - Judiciary Amended 3/13/13 Hearing: 4/16/13	Clarifies HIPAA privacy protections for the dependent insurance coverage expansion in the ACA to include “sensitive services” including those related to sexual/reproductive health, HIV/AIDS, substance abuse or mental health.	Watch 1/31/2	Sponsor: CA Family Health Council	HIPAA
SB 144/Cannella S – Public Safety Amended 4/1/13	Creates new account using state correctional savings to fund supplemental programs in counties to support 2011 Realignment activities, including health, mental health, drug and alcohol treatments for inmates and their families.	Watch 2/28/13		2011 Realignment
SB 154/Berryhill	Spot bill on community care facilities.	Watch 2/28/13		Community Care Facilities
SB 189/Monning S - Health	Defines what type of wellness programs health care service plans and insurers may offer their enrollees. Prohibits incentives to include discounted or rebated insurance premiums, deductibles or copayments. Participation may only be voluntary. Other provisions.	Watch/BB 2/28/13		Wellness Programs
SB 191/Padilla S – Health Hearing: 4/10/13	Removes the sunset provisions for the EMS Richie Fund that allows counties that elect to do so to assess an additional \$2 fine to fund pediatric trauma services	SIB 2/28/13	Sponsor: CalACEP	EMS
SB 194/Galgiani S – Appr Hearing: 4/15/13	Prohibits those under 18 years old to use any electronic wireless communication device, even if it’s hands-free, while operating a motor vehicle.	Watch 2/28/13	Sponsor: CHP	Injury Prevention
SB 200/Anderson	Spot bill on rural hospital Medi-Cal funding.	Watch 2/28/13		Medi-Cal Hospitals
SB 209/Lieu Amended 4/3/13	Spot bill on the Vehicle License Fee.	Watch 2/28/13	Amended to non-relevant subject matter. Will be dropped from subsequent charts.	VLF
SB 225/Emmerson S – Public Safety Amended 4/1/13 Hearing: 4/23/13	Requires that when a defendant is convicted of a felony otherwise punishable in a county jail, but is sentenced to serve more than three years, the defendant would serve their sentence in a state prison.	Watch 2/28/13		2011 Realignment

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SB 234/Walters S – Trans & Housing Amended 4/1/13 <i>Hearing: 4/9/13</i>	Exempts a passenger in a recreational off-highway vehicle secured in a child safety seat from wearing a safety helmet. Modifies the effective date of existing provisions that disallow a passenger from riding in an off-highway vehicle in any place on the vehicle not specifically designed for a passenger if the vehicle was manufactured before 1/1/14.	O-2 2/28/13	Opposed to weakening existing safety provisions. Same as AB 64/Donnelly and similar to SB 334/Fuller.	Injury Prevention
SB 239/Hernandez & Steinberg	Spot bill on re-imposing the hospital quality assurance fee (QAF) that allows for supplemental Medi-Cal payments to hospitals.	SIB 2/28/13		Medi-Cal
SB 249/Leno S – Health and Judiciary <i>Hearing: 4/17/13</i>	Allows CDPH to share Ryan White enrolled beneficiary HIV/AIDS diagnosis and treatment data for those enrollees who may be eligible for services under the ACA with entities participating in ACA health care coverage expansions.	Watch 2/28/13	Sponsor: San Francisco AIDS Foundation and the L.A. Gay and Lesbian Center	HIV/AIDS Health Records
SB 253/Hueso Amended 4/1/13	Spot bill on drug testing on arrestees.	Watch 2/28/13	Existing law allows law enforcement to request health officers administer these tests. Amended to non-relevant subject matter. Will be dropped from subsequent charts.	Health Officers
SB 334/Fuller S – Trans & Housing	Changes the effective date for off-highway vehicle passenger provisions from 7/1/13 to 1/1/15.	O-2 2/28/13	Opposed to weakening existing safety provisions. Similar to AB 64/Donnelly and SB 234/Walters	Injury Prevention
SB 351/Hernandez	Spot bill on out-of-network emergency care billing practices.	Watch 2/28/13		Health Care Coverage
SB 402/De Leon S – Appr <i>Hearing: 4/15/13</i>	Requires all hospitals with perinatal care units to adopt the “Ten Steps to Successful Breastfeeding” program, or an equivalent process recognized by CDPH.	S-2 3/15/13	Sponsor: CA WIC Assoc, who has requested CHEAC support.	Hospitals
SB 439/Steinberg Amended 4/1/13	Spot bill on medical marijuana.	Watch 3/15/13	Amended to non-relevant subject matter. Will be dropped from subsequent charts.	Medical Marijuana
SB 443/Walters S – Health <i>Hearing: 4/10/13</i>	Requires organized camps to provide written verification that the camp is accredited or to develop and file written operating plans with local health officers at least 30 days prior to operation of the camp. Health officers, within 30 days, must acknowledge of receipt of the verification or the operating plan. Health officers may charge a fee to review operating plans. Health officers are also allowed to inspect camps and charge fees for that inspection.	Watch 3/15/13	Similar to last year’s SB 1087 which instead required an LHD to acknowledge receipt.	Health Officers

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SB 455/Hernandez S – Health <i>Hearing: 4/10/13</i>	Requires CDPH to develop regulations requiring health facilities to establish and maintain a patient classification system to measure a patient’s care needs.	Watch 3/15/13	Similar to last year’s SB 1246/Hernandez, which required hospitals to establish these systems.	Health Facilities
SB 464/Jackson S – Education <i>Hearing: 4/10/13</i>	Establishes stringent nutrition and physical activity standards for early childhood education programs, infant care programs and afterschool programs.	Watch/BB 3/15/13	Sponsor: YMCA	Child Health
SB 480/Yee S – Human Services <i>Hearing: 4/9/13</i>	With federal approval, would allow for the suspension, rather than elimination, of CalWORKS, CalFresh and Medi-Cal benefits for those who are incarcerated.	S-2 3/15/13	CWDA in support.	Jail Medical
SB 494/Monning Amended 4/3/13	Adds physician assistants and nurse practioners, operating under physician supervision, to the definition of primary care providers under the Medi-Cal program. If authorized, allows primary care physicians to see up to 2,000 enrollees (for private insurance or Medi-Cal) or an additional 1,750 enrollees/beneficiaries if they supervise one or more physician assistants or nurse practioners.	Watch 3/15/13		Workforce Medi-Cal
SB 508/Hernandez S – Health	Requires OSPHD to develop a health disparity report to assess the levels of measurable health disparities among minorities based on existing hospital discharge data.	Watch/BB 3/15/13		Health Disparities
SB 544/DeSaulnier S – Public Safety Amended 4/4/13 <i>Hearing: 4/9/13</i>	Creates the CA Violence Prevention Authority within the Department of Justice Public Health tasked with developing a statewide violence prevention plan. Creates an advisory board, chaired by the Attorney General, the Superintendent of Public Instruction and the CDPH Director, to carry out the duties of the authority.	Watch 3/15/13		Violence Prevention
SB 596/Yee Amended 4/1/13 <i>Hearing: 4/17/13</i>	Spot bill on the California Health and Human Services Agency.	Watch 3/15/13	Amended to non-relevant subject matter. Will be dropped from subsequent charts.	CHHS
SB 622/Monning S – Gov. & Finance <i>Hearing: 4/24/13</i>	Imposes a tax on the sale of sugar sweetened beverages with monies collected directed to the newly created Children’s Health Promotion Fund. CDPH would receive 20% of the funds for statewide childhood obesity prevention activities; 35% of the funds, and administered by CDPH, would be for grants to community-based organizations and local health departments for community-based childhood obesity prevention programs; 10% would fund medical setting evidence-based prevention, early recognition, monitoring and weight management intervention activities; and 35% would provide funding for elementary and secondary schools for various approaches that promote nutrition and physical activity.	SIA 3/15/13	Sponsor: CA Center for Public Health Advocacy Amendment sought: 20% of funding dedicated for local health department childhood obesity prevention and children’s dental programs.	Public Health

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SB 631/Beall	Spot bill on assessing the impacts of the ACA on inpatient hospital care as more care is provided in outpatient type settings.	Watch 3/15/13		Health Reform Hospitals
SB 639/Hernandez Amended 4/1/13 Hearing: 4/17/13	Spot bill on ACA cost sharing provisions.	Watch 3/15/13	Amended to non-relevant subject matter. Will be dropped from subsequent charts.	Health Reform
SB 640/Lara Amended 4/3/13	Exempts skilled nursing facilities that are a distinct part of a hospital from the 10% Medi-Cal provider payment reductions enacted in the 11/12 State Budget. Also exempts payments to pharmacies under FFS Medi-Cal.	Watch 3/15/13		Medi-Cal
SB 648/Corbett S – Health Hearing: 4/17/13	Adds the use of electronic cigarettes to all state laws restricting smoking and tobacco use.	S-2 3/15/13	Supportive of efforts to prevent or reduce use of tobacco.	Public Health Tobacco
SB 667/Roth S - Health Amended 4/1/13 Hearing: 4/17/13	Allows California’s healthy eating program to be based on various health eating campaign programs rather than specific to the “5 A Day-For Better Health program.	Watch 3/15/13		Nutrition
SB 669/Huff S – Health Hearing: 4/17/13	Allows pharmacies to dispense epinephrine pens to emergency personnel or lay responders if they are trained and certified. Requires EMSA to develop a training program in consultation with local EMS, health departments and other stakeholders. Provides civil immunity to anyone administering the epi-pens in good faith in an emergency situation and to those entities that develop training programs or standards for this purpose.	Watch/BB 3/15/13	Sponsor: Conference of CA Bar Associations	EMS
SB 680/Wolk S - Judiciary Amended 4/1/13	Closes a loophole in existing law that allows Master Settlement Agreement non-signatory tobacco manufacturers that sell tobacco products via tribal smoke shops or over the internet to not make payments into the MSA escrow account	Watch 3/15/13	Sponsor: Attorney General’s Office	Tobacco
SB 703/Hernandez	Spot bill on Medi-Cal.	Watch 3/15/13		Medi-Cal
SB 711/Padilla	Spot bill on rabies.	Watch 3/15/13		Public Health

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SB 747/DeSaulnier S – Health <i>Hearing: 4/17/13</i>	Allows CDPH, for any consumer product that the Department has credible evidence significantly contributes to a significant public epidemic, to conduct a risk assessment evaluation. If a determination of risk is made, CDPH could require the manufacturer to conduct a Public Health Impact Report (PHIR) on their product that lists adverse public health impacts of their product, the benefits, costs and alternatives of their product, and to have a mitigation plan that minimizes those impacts. CDPH can enforce the PHIR report if they determine it is insufficient or if the manufacturer isn't complying with its terms, CDPH can ban the product.	Watch/BB 3/15/13	Possibly used to investigate impacts of SSBs?	Public Health
SB 768/De Leon	Spot bill on reviewing the structure of both Prop 99 and Prop 10.	Watch 3/15/13		Tobacco
SB 799/Calderon Amended 4/1/13	Spot bill on the hospital fair pricing law.	Watch 3/15/13	Amended to non-relevant subject matter. Will be dropped from subsequent charts.	Hospitals
SB 800/Lara S – Health <i>Hearing: 4/17/13</i>	Expands the California Health Benefit Exchange Board with two more Governor appointees.	Watch 3/15/13		Health Exchange
SBX1 1/Hernandez & Steinberg In Assembly	Makes several changes to the Medi-Cal program consistent with the federal ACA including expanding Medi-Cal eligibility to all legal adults under age 65 at 133% FPL (also includes language allowing a 5% income disregard effectively making the rate 138% FPL). Eliminates the asset test and semi-annual status reports for Medi-Cal enrollees and allows for 12-month eligibility for enrollees. Defines how LIHP enrollees will be transitioned into the Medi-Cal program. Expands Medi-Cal coverage to foster children up to age 26. Delineates new Medi-Cal eligibility rules including the modified adjusted gross income (MAGI) determination. Adds any essential health benefit adopted by the state and approved by the federal government to the list of approved Medi-Cal benefits. Other provisions.	S-1 2/28/13	Same as ABX1 1/Perez. Support the expansion of Medi-Cal to childless adults and Medi-Cal eligibility and enrollment simplifications. Also support provisions to ensure the seamless transition of LIHP enrollees into Medi-Cal.	Medi-Cal Health Reform
SBX1 2/Hernandez A - Health Amended 4/1/13 <i>Hearing: 4/9/13</i>	Makes several changes to the individual health insurance market including grandfathered plans consistent with the ACA. Creates a CHIP continuation coverage program for individuals who received HFP coverage on or after 1/1/12 and who was disenrolled from the program due to aging out and is not eligible for full scope Medi-Cal benefits. Coverage would be offered to these individuals until 1/1/14.	SIB 1/31/13	Same as ABX1 2/Pan.	Health Insurance Market Reform CHIP Coverage

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SBX 13/Hernandez S - Appr Amended 3/6/13 Hearing: 4/8/13	Creates a low cost “bridge” health plan option on the Health Exchange for those individuals transitioning from Medi-Cal into the Health Exchange as well as those with incomes up to 200% FPL. Allows existing Medi-Cal Managed Care that meet certain requirements to participate in the Exchange as Bridge plans. Other provisions.	S-1 3/13/13	Ensures low income have access to affordable coverage w/in their trusted medical home. Safeguards county safety net system.	Health Exchange Medi-Cal

CHEAC Legislative Position Chart

S - 1 Strong Support	S - 2 Support	SIA Support if Amended	W - SIB Watch - Special Interest Bill	WC Watch with Concerns
O - 1 Strong Oppose	O - 2 Oppose	OUA Oppose Unless Amended	W Watch	R/BB Refer/Bring Back

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