

Agenda

June 8, 2016 ♦ 10:00 a.m. to Noon
 Hahn Hall of Administration ♦ Conference Room 743
 500 W. Temple Street ♦ Los Angeles

Time	Agenda Item	Lead
10:00	1. Welcome and Introductions a. Comments from the Chair/Vice-chair	Sharoni Little Chair
10:05	2. Approval of May Minutes <p style="text-align: center;">Action Item</p>	Terry Ogawa Vice-Chair
10:20	3. Public Policy Report a. AB 2150 (Santiago and Weber): Continuous Eligibility (Update)	Michele Sartell
10:30	4. Governor's Proposed FY2016-17 Early Care and Education Budget a. Impact on Children and Families b. Local Service Delivery and Access c. Local Policy and Systems Infrastructure	Michele Sartell Olyvia Rodriguez Dawn Kurtz Sarah Soriano Debi Anderson Jennifer Hottenroth Karla Howell
11:35	5. July Retreat Committee (Update)	Sharoni Little Terry Ogawa
11:45	6. Announcements and Public Comments	Members & Guests
12:00	7. Call to Adjourn	Sharoni Little

Mission Statement

The Los Angeles County Policy Roundtable for Child Care and Development builds and strengthens early care and education by providing policy recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on policy, systems and infrastructure improvement.



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Meeting Minutes for May 11, 2016

1. Call to Order and Announcements from the Chair

Chair Sharoni Little opened the meeting of the Policy Roundtable for Child Care and Development (Roundtable) at approximately 10:05 a.m. with self-introductions.

2. Approval of March 9, 2016 and April 13, 2016 Minutes

- Ms. Sarah Soriano moved that the March minutes be approved and Mr. Boris Villacorta seconded the motion. Ms. Karla Howell abstained.
- Dr. Jacqueline McCroskey moved that the April minutes be approved and Ms. Dawn Kurtz seconded the motion. Ms. Karla Howell, Mr. Nurhan Pirim and Dr. Sharoni Little abstained.

3. Assessment of the Office of Child Care

Mr. Harvey Kawasaki reported on the ongoing effort to assess the Office of Child Care. Mr. Kawasaki reiterated that the assessment of the Office of Child Care is part of a larger strategic review of the Chief Executive Office (CEO) and its shift to a policy focus for all of its operations. Mr. Kawasaki noted that after the review is completed, it will be vetted both internally and with external partners will have opportunity to provide feedback.

Dr. McCroskey asked if there had been any determination regarding the Service Integration Branch and how it would operate in the new CEO structure. Mr. Kawasaki noted that any change in focus would be presented to the Board of Supervisors for their review and input.

Mr. Pirim asked if there was a document that described the Service Integration Branch and its functions and requested that it be provided to the Roundtable. Mr. Kawasaki stated he would determine if such a document existed and provide if possible. He also noted that a survey has recently been conducted of the Service Integration Branch and he would ensure that the results were provided to the Roundtable.

Ms. Terry Ogawa noted that the July Retreat might be an opportunity for the Roundtable to review, if ready, the assessment of the Office of Child Care.

Mr. Duane Dennis updated the Roundtable on his assessment efforts:

- Approximately 20 stakeholders have been interviewed.
- The report will include information on historical/original intention for the Office of Child Care and its existing workload.
- The report will include a review of the local child care and development planning council and how it compares vis-à-vis similar planning bodies in the State and country.
- The report will review how other jurisdictions are monitoring the operation of their early care and education efforts.



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Dr. McCroskey asked if there were any noticeable observations from other jurisdictions. Mr. Dennis noted that in many states, the administration of child care is linked to child welfare/protection offices.

Mr. Kawasaki noted that this assessment process provides an opportunity for a fuller discussion on how the County and Board of Supervisors approach the issue of early care and education. The Roundtable will be critical part of that process.

Mr. Pirim also noted an opportunity to look at the role of County representatives on the Roundtable and how best to maximize their subject matter expertise to develop and advocate for policies.

4. Family Child Care Providers and Quality Rating and Improvement Systems

Dr. Susan Savage briefed the Roundtable on her findings related to family child care provider improvements. Dr. Savage noted that most children birth to five years old spend a part of their day in the care of someone other than a parent. A large number of children are served by family child care providers. The reasons for this vary, including the limited number of center-based programs in the local neighborhood, parents' desire for a more culturally matched environment, and accommodation of parents' non-traditional work schedules.

While studies have shown that children in high quality family child care homes are school ready, there is still a difficulty in recruiting them into a quality rating and improvement system (QRIS). To better understand why, surveys were sent out to family child care providers in northern and southern California. The results indicated the following:

- Providers are diverse with over 12 non-English languages being spoken at home.
- Providers with licenses were licensed for an average of 11 years.
- Sixty-three percent of providers had completed some college and 37 percent had completed an Associate degree or Bachelor degree.
- Fifty-one percent of providers make \$25,000 or less, and a significant number also receive some type of public assistance.

Providers were also asked how they wanted to be engaged. The three methods receiving the lowest interest: college credit courses; in-person workshop/training at an agency; and having a consultant come to home. These are common methods currently used by a QRIS.

Mr. Pirim noted the need to identify those intangible links that cause families to enroll their children in certain programs.

Ms. Jocelyn Tucker asked whether any thought had been given to the impact of publishing the ratings. Dr. Savage noted that the QRIS programs have to be designed in such a way that providers flourish and feel comfortable participating.

Ms. Ogawa asked how this research is being used in Los Angeles County to help design a regional QRIS. Ms. Dawn Kurtz noted that the Architects Group facilitated by First 5 LA is starting to look at research focused on QRIS's. Dr. Savage added that the findings have been shared with First 5 California.

Mr. Steve Sturm commented that in choosing a child care provider for his child, his decision might have been adversely affected if the provider had a score of “3” or less. He might not have interviewed them and missed out on an outstanding provider who has provided stellar care for his child.

Ms. Kurtz noted the need for parents to focus on the elements that are most important to them. Too much focus on a number adversely affects their ability to do this. Instead, creating an approval/accreditation system – ‘An Approved Quality Start LA Provider’ – might be more sustainable and better messaged to parents than a strict number rating.

Robert Gilchick inquired about the percentage of licensed family child care providers compared to centers:

- 70 percent centers
- 30 percent family child care homes

Dr. McCroskey noted the importance of having a set of metrics that described the landscape of children in enrolled in child care and development programs in Los Angeles County. Ms. Cristina Alvarado noted the need to advocate in Sacramento for the findings that are identified through this type of research. Mr. Pirim noted the challenges of a mixed funding system for child care and development in the state and how that impacts quality ratings.

5. Legislative Updates

Michele Sartell briefed the Roundtable on AB 2150 (Santiago and Weber), which would guarantee 12 months of continuous assistance once a family has been determined eligible for subsidized child care and development. The Roundtable previously discussed the bill, but was unable to take a support position at the last meeting due to lack of a quorum.

Dr. Gilchick moved that the Roundtable recommend a pursuit of position in support position of AB 2150 to the Board of Supervisors. Prior to the second, Mr. Pirim requested that the bill analysis be edited to include language noting that it only addresses California Department of Education-contracted programs, omitting from the system conversation CalWORKs Stage 1 Child Care.

The motion was amended, seconded by Jennifer Hottenroth and approved by the membership.

6. Retreat Subcommittee

Dr. Little requested volunteers to assist with the planning for the July Retreat. Meetings will all occur via conference call. The following members agreed to be a part of the committee:

- Ms. Fran Chasen
- Mr. Boris Villacorta
- Mr. Steven Strum
- Ms. Terry Ogawa
- Dr. Sharoni Little

7. Public Comment and Announcements

Mr. Sturm announced that the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) has seen an increase in child care and development program enrollment by the families they serve.

8. Call to Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Members Attending:

Jeannette Aguirre, Probation Department
Fran Chasen, Southern California Association of Education for Young People (SCAEYC)
Robert Gilchick, Department of Public Health
Ellen Cervantes, Child Care Alliance of Los Angeles
Steve Sturm, Department of Children and Family Services
Karla Pleitéz-Howell, First Supervisorial District
Jacquelyn McCroskey, Commission for Children and Families
Terry Ogawa, Third Supervisorial District
Sarah Soriano, Child Care Planning Committee
Stacy Miller, Fifth Supervisorial District
Boris Villacorta, First Supervisorial District
Debi Anderson, Los Angeles County Office of Education
Dawn Kurtz, LAUP
Nurhan Pirim, Department of Public Social Services

Guests Attending:

Tessa Charnofsky, First 5 LA
Nancy Lee Sayre, UCLA/Center for Improving Child Care Quality
Jesse Salazar, Pathways
Susan Savage, Child Care Resource Center
Robert Beck, Department of Public Social Services
Jocelyn Tucker, Office of Child Care
Cristina Alvarado, Child Care Alliance of Los Angeles
Greg Lecklitner, Department of Mental Health

Staff:

Vincent Holmes
Michele Sartell

COUNTY OFFICE OF LOS ANGELES/POLICY ROUNDTABLE FOR CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT
OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

BILL ANALYSIS

AB 2150 (Santiago and Weber) – Eligibility periods for subsidized child care and development services: Would amend existing law by 1) guaranteeing 12 months of continuous assistance once a family has been determined eligible for subsidized child care and development services; 2) requiring the use of current census data to establish income eligibility; and 3) establishing ongoing income eligibility for families whose income has increased at time of redetermination not to exceed the federal income limit of 85 percent of the State Median Income (SMI).

Introduced and Amended Dates: Introduced: February 17, 2016
Amended: May 31, 2016
Amended: June 1, 2016

OCC Analyst: Michele P. Sartell
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Status: In Senate
Committee on Rules

Sponsor: Parent Voices, Child Care Law Center

Support: A Stronger California Advocates Network, Advancement Project, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME), AFLCIO, Butte County Child Abuse Prevention Council, California Alternative Payment Program Association (CAPPA), California Child Development Administrators Association (CCDAA), California Community College CalWORKs Association (CCC CWA), California Work & Family Coalition, Center for Community Change Action, Child Care Alliance of Los Angeles, Child Care Resource Center, Children Now, Children's Council of San Francisco, Choices for Children, Coalition of California Welfare Rights Organizations, Inc., Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County, Child Care Resource Connection, Community Child Care Council (4Cs) of Alameda County, Equal Rights Advocates (ERA), Los Angeles County Office of Education, Marin Child Care Council, Marin Family Child Care Association, Mimi and Peter Hass Fund, National Association of Social Workers, CA Chapter (NASW-CA), National Council of Jewish Women-CA (NCJW-CA), Oakland Unified School District, Our Family Coalition, Raising California Together, Services Employees International Union (SEIU), The Friends Committee on Legislation (FCLCA), The Young Women's Freedom Center, UDW/AFSCME Local 3930, W. Haywood Burns Institute, Western Center on Law and Poverty, Women's Foundation of California, 2 individuals

Opposition: None listed

Summary:

This bill would amend existing law as follows:

- Maintains first priority for subsidized child care and development services to neglected or abused children who are recipients of child protective services or children who are at risk of being neglected or abused upon written referral from a legal, medical or social services agency.
- Deletes provisions pertaining to time limits for a family receiving child care due to the child determined at risk of abuse, neglect or exploitation or receiving child protective services from a county child welfare agency.
- Deletes the provision pertaining to the Superintendent of Public Education's extension of 60 days of child care for parents if employment opportunities have diminished to the degree that one or both parents cannot reasonably find employment within 60 days.
- Would consider a family to meet all eligibility requirements for child care and development services for not less than 12 months, and receive those services for not less than 12 months, before having their eligibility re-determined. The family shall not be required to report changes to their income or other changes for 12 months.
- Would require the family to report increases in income that exceed the threshold for ongoing income eligibility established at or below 70 percent of State Median Income (SMI) and the family's ongoing eligibility for services shall at that time be re-determined.
- Would allow a family that established initial eligibility or ongoing eligibility on the basis of seeking employment to receive services for not less than six months. If seeking employment is the only basis for ongoing eligibility at the time of redetermination, the family shall receive services for an additional six months unless the family becomes eligible based on other established criteria.
- Would allow a family to voluntarily report income or other changes at any time. Information may be used to reduce family fees, increase the family's subsidy, or extend the period of the family's eligibility before redetermination.
- For purposes of establishing initial income eligibility for child care and development services, income eligible means that a family's adjusted monthly income is at or below 70 percent of the SMI based on the most recent data on SMI published by the United States Census Bureau for a family of the same size.
- Deletes provisions that base income eligibility on 70 percent of SMI that was in use for the 2007-08 fiscal year, adjusted for family size.
- Would redefine ongoing income eligibility to mean that a family's adjusted monthly income is at or below 85 percent of the SMI based on the most recent data on SMI published by the United States Census Bureau for a family of the same size.
- Deletes provisions limiting exemptions from family fees for up to three months or a cumulative period of 12 months for children receiving priority services due to risk of neglect or abuse or receiving child protective services.

- Clarifies that a family receiving child protective services or with a child at risk for abuse or neglect to be exempt from family fees for up to 12 months.
- Maintains existing law that a family receiving CalWORKs cash aide shall not be charged a family fee.
- Maintains existing law that family fees shall not be assessed for the part-day California State Preschool Program to income eligible families whose children are enrolled in the program.

Bill Amendments as of June 1, 2016:

- Would not consider an error or improper payment for payments made by a child development program for a child between determination and redetermination periods if the family circumstances changed after meeting the eligibility requirements.
- Requires the California Department of Education (CDE) to initiate rulemaking action to implement establishing initial eligibility for continuous services on or before December 31, 2017; the CDE to convene stakeholders including parents, advocates, department staff, child development program representatives and others to develop recommendations for implementation.

Analysis:

Under current law, families eligible for child care and development services subsidized by the CDE/Early Education and Support Division (EESD) are required to report any and all changes in their circumstances, such as changes in family size and income. In addition, families authorized for variable work schedules must regularly submit documentation from their employer verifying their days and hours of employment for the prior four months. Families failing to report or found ineligible based on the previous four months reported income may be terminated from their child care and development program. Many of these families are particularly at risk for cycling on and off of subsidized child care and development programs due to frequent changes in eligibility. Temporary hardships, such as unemployment or an extended illness, are additional factors that may interrupt ongoing child care and development services and impede a family's smooth return to work.

In addition, eligibility for subsidized child care and development services has remained at 70 percent of SMI that was in use for Fiscal Year 2007-08, adjusted for family size. Under current law, a family of three with annual earnings of up to \$42,216 is eligible for subsidized services whereas the 2014 Family Median Income for a family of three in Los Angeles County is \$54,194.¹ The federal Child Care and Development Block Grant, reauthorized in 2014, would require states to provide 12 months of continuous eligibility up to 85 percent of SMI.

It should be noted that this bill only speaks to CDE/EESD contracted programs inclusive of General Child Care, the California State Preschool Program, the Alternative Payment Program and CalWORKs Stages 2 and 3 Child Care. It does not address CalWORKs Stage 1 Child Care, which is funded and administered by the California Department of Social Services. Stage 1 Child Care serves as the safety net program for the neediest in the subsidized child care arena, as it assists families participating in CalWORKs welfare-to-work activities. When

¹ California Alternative Payment Program (CAPPA). 2014 Family Median Income (FMI) by County. March 2016.

CalWORKs families are deemed stable, they are transferred from Stage 1 into the CalWORKs Stage 2 and Stage 3 Child Care Programs.

This bill, if passed, will promote stability for low-income families relying upon subsidized child care and development services that allows them to remain gainfully employed or engaged in other activities that lead to self-sufficiency, such as education and training programs, while promoting children's healthy growth and development. Furthermore, the proposed amendments will provide the security and constancy needed by children at risk for abuse or neglect or involved with the child welfare system and contribute towards stronger, healthier families.

Recommended Position for Board Approval:

The Policy Roundtable for Child Care and Development (Roundtable) recommends a position of "support" for AB 2150 that, if passed, will provide low-income families with continuous eligibility for child care and development services subsidized by the CDE/EESD. In addition, it would require the California Department of Education to use current census data to establish income eligibility for subsidized services. Furthermore, upon redetermination, families with incomes up to 85 percent of the SMI would continue to receive subsidized child care and development services, thus furthering promotion of children's optimal development and supporting working families. This position is consistent with County policies as follows:

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5. Support efforts to adequately fund high quality early care and education services for all children from low and moderate income families.
6. Support the streamlining of California Department of Education administrative processes to expand access for low-income families, ensure continuity of care, and promote flexible use of early care and education funding to meet the needs of families.
8. Support efforts to ensure that vulnerable children and their families have access to consistent, uninterrupted subsidized early care and education services.

Completed by: _____ Date: _____

Approved by: _____ Date: _____



May 31, 2016

The Honorable Philip Ting, Chair
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Robert Gilchick M.D., M.P.H.

Re: Item #5180 Child Care for Foster Children – ADOPT ASSEMBLY VERSION

Jennifer Hottenroth, Psy.D.

Dear Assembly Member Ting and Senator Leno:

Karla Pleitez Howell, J.D.

Dora Jacildo

The Policy Roundtable for Child Care and Development urges the Budget Conference Committee to adopt the Assembly version, which would provide \$11 million in 2016-17 and \$22 million in out-years to increase access to early care and education services for abused and neglected children across the state.

Dawn A. Kurtz, Ph.D.

Sharoni Little, Ph.D.

Jackie B. Majors

The Roundtable, staffed by the Office of Child Care located within the Service Integration Branch of the Chief Executive Office, represents the collective experience, expertise and wisdom of community leaders in early childhood, education, business, economics and research and County departments representing child welfare, mental health, probation, public health, social services, and parks and recreation. As a County Board of Supervisors appointed Commission, its primary mission is to build and strengthen child care and development services by providing recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on policy, systems, and infrastructure improvement.

Jacquelyn McCroskey, D.S.W.

Stacy Miller

Terri Chew Nishimura

Terry Ogawa

Faith Parducho

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County child welfare agencies rely on the commitment of countless resource families to provide children with safe and loving homes during their times of crisis. Unfortunately, many willing resource parents cannot provide homes for foster children because they lack access to child care and development programs. The barrier to the programs is a result of the

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“timing gap.” When children are removed, they are in crisis, and prospective resource parents – often relatives – instantly need to access services. However, child care and development programs typically operate at full capacity. Furthermore, child care and development programs windows of enrollment of new children rarely align with a child’s placement into foster care, making it impossible for caregivers who work to take in young children.

This proposal, known as the Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children (“Bridge Program”), addresses this problem so that children can be promptly placed and stabilized with loving relatives or in other loving homes. The Bridge Program would provide an emergency child care voucher for resource families with foster children, as well as for parenting foster youth. This program would help to immediately stabilize vulnerable children and provide them with a bridge to long-term, high quality child care and development programs.

The success of the Continuum of Care Reform depends on increased recruitment and support of resource families. Unfortunately, some counties have experienced a significant decline in the number of available foster families. In Los Angeles County alone, state-licensed foster homes have declined by over half, from more than 8,000 in 2005 to fewer than 4,000 in 2015. The child welfare system cannot succeed in its mission to provide loving foster homes for our most vulnerable children unless this barrier to recruiting caregivers is addressed. In addition, we know that, for all the benefits that high quality child care and development services has for young children, the impact can be even more dramatic for children who have experienced the trauma of abuse, neglect and removal from their homes.

The Policy Roundtable for Child Care and Development agrees that this proposal is important and urges the Budget Conference Committee to adopt the Assembly version.

Sincerely,



Sharoni Little, Ph.D., Ed.D
Chair

CC: Budget Conferees
Speaker Anthony Rendon
President Pro Tem Kevin de León



LEGISLATION BEING CONSIDERED BY THE CALIFORNIA STATE LEGISLATURE – SECOND LEGISLATIVE SESSION OF 2015-16

Level of Interest ¹	Bill Number (Author)	Brief Description	Sponsor	Contact	County Position	Support	Oppose	Status (As of 6/7/16)
California Assembly Bills								
Watch	AB 282 (Eggman)	<i>Makes findings and declares the intent of the Legislature to amend this bill to enact legislation to protect children from the preventable strangulation hazard posed by cords on window coverings by adopting standards that provide for safer window coverings in CA.</i>	Consumer Federation of America	Leah Barros 916.319.2013 Leah.Barros@asm.ca.gov		Consumers Union, Kids in Danger, Parents for Window Blind Safety, Consumer Federation of CA, Consumer Action, CA Public Interest Research Group, Independent Safety Consulting	Window Covering Manufacturers Association	Introduced: 2/11/15 Amended: 3/26/15 Amended: 4/22/15 Amended: 6/1/15 Amended: 7/1/15 Amended: 7/7/15 In Senate Committee on Business Professionals and Economic Development Committee on Human Services
Watch	AB 492 (Gonzalez)	Would provide that necessary CalWORKs supportive services also include a <i>diaper needs benefit</i> in the amount of \$50 per month for diaper products for every child two years of age or younger enrolled in child care <i>to be issued through the electronic benefits transfer system. The benefit is not to be counted as income for CalWORKs eligibility and benefits consideration.</i>	Coalition of California Welfare Rights Organizations	Andrea San Miguel 916.319.2237 Andrea.SanMiguel@asm.ca.gov		AAP, Alameda County Board of Supervisors, Black Women for Wellness, CAEYC., CAPP, CA Immigrant Policy Center, CA Latinas for Reproductive Justice (CLRJ), Center on Reproductive Rights and Justice, NCYL, Nat'l Diaper Bank Network, Parent Voices CA, Planned Parenthood, WCLP, and more	California Department of Social Services	Introduced: 2/23/15 Amended: 3/26/15 Amended: 1/25/16 In Senate Committee on Appropriations

* Levels of interest are assigned by the Joint Committee on Legislation based on consistency with the Public Policy Platform accepted by the Child Care Planning Committee and Policy Roundtable for Child Care and Development and consistent with County Legislative Policy for the current year. Levels of interest do **not** indicate a pursuit of position in either direction. The Joint Committee will continue to monitor all listed bills as proceed through the legislative process. Levels of interest may change based on future amendments.

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Watch	AB 598 (Calderon)	Would amend existing law pertaining to Family Child Care Home Education Networks (FCCHENs) by requiring that the tools used to make an assessment of family child care <i>settings</i> be appropriate to those settings. Would require completion and maintenance of the developmental profile <i>for each child</i> that is inclusive of <i>provider observations</i> and the results of parent survey. <i>In addition, would require the FCCHEN contractor to monitor each family child care home affiliated with the network to ensure that requirements are met, including, but not limited to, basic health, nutrition, and quality standards. Clarifies and suggests annual training activities, including training on parent engagement.</i>	CCCRRN, CCALA	Dylan L. Hoffman 916.319.2057 Dylan.hoffman@asm.ca.gov		AFSCME, CAEYC, CAPP, CCDAA, Compton USD, First 5 CA, Northern Director's Group		Introduced: 2/24/15 Amended: 1/4/2016 Amended: 1/14/16 Amended: 1/21/16 Amended: 5/31/16 In Senate Committee on Education Hearing: 6/15/16
Watch	AB 648 (Low)	Would establish the Virtual Dental Home (VDH) grant program to expand the virtual dental home model of community-based delivery of dental care to the residents of this state who are in greatest need. Grant program shall facilitate, coordinate, and encourage development and expansion of the delivery of dental health services through the use of the VDH model by providing grants for specified activities. References to specific entities e.g. schools, Head Start and preschool) deleted. Adds evaluation component to ensure reaching highest needs communities. <i>Appropriates funding to support the program.</i>	California Dental Association, The Children's Partnership	Gina Frisby 916.319.2028		Alameda County Board of Supervisors, Alameda County Developmental Disabilities Council, CA Chronic Care Coalition, CA Dental Hygienists' Assoc, CA Primary Care Assoc, CA Society of Pediatric Dentistry, CDF-CA, Children Now, Community Clinic Association of LA County, Delta Dental, LIBERTY Dental Plan of CA, Inc., Maternal and Child Health Access, North County Health Services, United Way of CA, and more		Introduced: 2/24/15 Amended: 6/11/15 Amended: 6/29/15 Amended: 9/1/15 Senate Floor Inactive File

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Watch	AB 713 (Weber)	Would require a child to have completed one year of kindergarten before he or she may be admitted to the first grade beginning with the 2017–18 school year. <i>Specifies that private school instruction at the elementary level includes kindergarten.</i>		Matthew Hamlett 916.319.2079		CA Catholic Conference, Inc., CA State Conference of the NAACP, CA State PTA, CTA, First 5 California	CA Right to Life, Inc., Home School Legal Defense Assoc (Virginia), Independent Private Schools of CA	Introduced: 2/25/15 Amended: 3/19/15 Amended: 6/1/15 In Senate Committee on Appropriations Held under submission
Watch	AB 717 (Gonzalez)	Would exempt from sales taxes diapers for infants and toddlers, designated size 3 or under. Would sunset effective 1/1/22.		Andrea San Miguel 916.319.2237 Andrea.SanMiguel@asm.ca.gov		ACCESS Women's Health Justice, APA-CA, Black Women for Wellness, CA Latinas for Reproductive Justice, Forward Together, Help a Mother Out, NCYL, Nat'l National Diaper Bank Network, San Diego County Taxpayers Association	CA State Association of Counties, CA Tax Reform Association	Introduced: 2/25/15 Amended: 5/21/15 Amended: 1/21/16 In Senate Committee on Appropriations
Watch	AB 743 (Eggman)	Would create the CalWORKs Self-Sufficiency through Education and GI Bill Exemption Act of 2016. Would exempt from consideration as income, for purposes of determining CalWORKs eligibility, available income or property, education, training, vocation, or rehabilitation benefits provided through the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs for active duty personnel, veterans, and dependents, or spouses of those who died in the line of duty or have a service connected disability.	Coalition of California Welfare Rights Organizations, Inc. (CCWRO), Western Center on Law & Poverty (WCLP)			CAPPA, CA School Employees Association (CSEA), NASW-CA Chapter		Introduced: 2/25/15 Amended: 4/9/15 Amended: 6/1/15 Amended: 7/16/15 Amended: 8/17/15 In Senate Committee on Appropriations Held under submission

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Watch (need more information)	AB 1161 (Olsen & Atkins)	Would establish the California Preschool Investment Fund, which would authorize the CDE to accept monetary contributions to the fund for purposes of preschool education until 1/1/2021. Five counties, via application by the counties' local child care and development planning council, will be selected by the CDE/EESD based on a number of factors to be included in the pilot. The CDE to develop a system for accepting monetary contributions to the program and to allocate credits to contributors on a first-come, first-served basis. The aggregate amount of credit shall not exceed \$250 million for each calendar year. <i>Technical amendments.</i> Fiscal effect: significant		Allison Wescott 916.319.2012		CAEYC, California Catholic Conference, First 5 Association of California, Junior Leagues of California, the State Public Affairs Committee	AFSCME, AFL-CIO, CFT	Introduced: 2/27/15 Amended: 7/2/15 In Senate Committee on Appropriations Held under submission
Watch	AB 1567 (Campos)	Would amend After School and Education (ASES) Program by giving 1 st priority enrollment to <i>pupils identified as experiencing homelessness and pupils identified as being in foster care</i> , 2 nd priority enrollment to pupils in CalWORKs assistance units, and 3 rd priority enrollment for programs serving middle and junior high school pupils, to pupils who attend the program daily. <i>Would allow self-certification of the pupil as a homeless youth or a foster youth, and would authorize administrators to obtain this information through the school district liaison designated for homeless children</i> , Would prohibit charging fees children in the high priority categories. Afterschool programs to inform parents/caregivers of rights of priority enrollment and how to receive it.	Western Center on Law and Poverty, Children's Defense Fund-California	Edson Perez 916.319.2027 Edson.Perez@asm.ca.gov		AAP, CA Alliance of Children & Family Services, CA Catholic Conference, CA Coalition for Youth, CAEYC, CAPP, CFPA, Children's Law Center of CA, Children Now, Coalition on Homelessness, Courage Campaign, NASW-CA Chapter, United Ways of California (UWCA), & more		Introduced: 1/4/16 Amended: 3/29/16 Amended: 5/27/16 In Senate Committee on Rules

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2	AB 1644 (Bonta)	Would rename the existing School-based Early Mental Health Intervention and Prevention Services for Children Act of 1991 to the Healing from Early Adversity to Level the Impact (HEAL) of Trauma in Schools Act or the HEAL Trauma in Schools Act. The bill would expand the definition of a pupil eligible for services under the Act to include a child who attends a preschool program at a contracting agency of the CA State Preschool Program (CSPP) or a local educational agency and a child enrolled in transitional kindergarten. In addition, would establish a 4-year program, the HEAL Trauma in Schools Support Program, to provide outreach, free regional training, and technical assistance for local educational agencies in providing mental health services at school sites. <i>Amendments mostly technical.</i>	California Department of Justice, Children Now, Time for Kids	Paula Villescaz 916.319.2097 Paula.Villescaz@asm.ca.gov		Abriendo Puertos/Open Doors, AAP, CA Alliance of Child & Family Svcs, CAEYC, CA State PTA, CDF-CA, The Children's Partnership, Early Edge CA, Family Voices of CA, Fight Crime: Invest in Kids CA, First Place for Youth, Futures Without Violence, Girls Leadership Institute, Human Impact Partners, LA Trust for Children's Health, Mental Health America of CA, Mental Health Assoc of CA, Nat'l Alliance on Mental Illness California, NASW-CA Chapter, Nonprofit Communications, Nurse-Family Partnership, Public Counsel, United Way of CA, & many more	California Right to Life Committee, Inc.	Introduced: 1/11/16 Amended: 3/8/16 Amended: 4/14/16 Amended: 5/27/16 In Senate Committee on Rules
Watch	AB 1679 (Weber)	Would exclude from income the basic allowance for housing provided to an individual who is on federal active duty, state active duty, active duty for special work, or Active Guard and Reserve duty in the military that is equal to the lowest rate of the allowance for the military housing area in which the individual resides for purposes of determining eligibility for child care and development services. <i>Amendment technical.</i>		Matthew Hamlett 916.319.2079 Matthew.Hamlett@adm.ca.gov		AAP-CA, CAPP, First 5 CA, LACOE		Introduced: 1/19/16 Amended: 4/6/16 In Senate Committee on Education Hearing: 6/8/16

Level of Interest ¹	Bill Number (Author)	Brief Description	Sponsor	Contact	County Position	Support	Oppose	Status (As of 6/7/16)
1	AB 1712 (Oberholte)	Would authorize the SPI to adopt rules and regulations related to digital signatures, including, but not limited to, defining or redefining acceptable technology for the creation and use of a digital signature authorized by the act. The bill would require, if these rules and regulations are adopted by the SPI, that they apply to digital signatures used by an alternative payment program or provider in lieu of other specified requirements. Would authorize CA Department of Education contractors providing early care and education services to use a digital signature and that the digital signature have the same force and effect as a manual signature if specified requirements are met.	Knowledge Universe, CAPP	John Thompson 916.319.2033 John.thompson@asm.ca.gov		CCDAA, Child Development Associates		Introduced: 1/26/16 Amended: 5/27/16 In Senate Committee on Rules
2 DEAD	AB 1897 (Mullin)	Would require CDSS to, in consultation with stakeholders, adopt regulations on or before 1/1/18, to develop and implement a birth to entering first grade license option for child care and development centers. Regulations to address age group transitions and continuity of care.		Miriam Farouk 916.319.2022 Miriam.farouk@asm.ca.gov		Advancement Project, BOS- Contra Costa Co, CAEYC, CA Head Start Assoc, CAPP, CCALA, LACOE, CCDAA, CA School Administrators, Children Now, CCRC, PACE, Kidango, First 5 Santa Clara Co, CAEYC, and more		Introduced: 2/11/16 Committee on Appropriations Held under submission
DEAD	AB 1994 (Lopez)	Would create the CalED Program to assist CalWORKs recipients to obtain high school diplomas or equivalency certificates <i>if they are at least 19 years old</i> . Would provide financial stipends and require counties to arrange for education and support services. <i>Amendments further clarify requirements for receiving stipends.</i>	Coalition of California Welfare Rights Organizations, Inc. (CCWRO)	Kristi Lopez 916.319.2039 kristi.lopez@asm.ca.gov		CAPP, CA Church IMPACT, CFT, CWDA, Courage Campaign, Hunger Action LA, Interfaith Movement for Human Integrity, Sacramento Regional Coalition to End Homelessness (SRCEH), St Mary's Ctr, St. Anthony Found, Time for Change Found, United Methodist Women		Introduced: 2/16/16 Amended: 3/28/16 Amended: 4/6/16 Committee on Appropriations Held under submission

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Watch	AB 2036 (López)	Would require online companies advertising child care services provided by license-exempt child care providers (i.e. babysitters & nannies) to post a statement about the CA Trustline registry and a written description of what is included in the third party background checks. Grants authority to the Attorney General to bring a civil cause or action against an online child care job posting service or background check service provider for damages as result of willful violation. <i>Technical Amendments.</i>	CCCRRN	Kristi Lopez 916.319.2039 Kristi.lopez@asm.ca.gov		CCALA, CCRC, Community Child Care Council (4Cs) of Alameda Co, Community Child Care Council of Sonoma Co, Northern Directors Group		Introduced: 2/16/16 Amended: 4/6/16 Amended: 4/25/16 Amended: 5/27/16 In Senate Committee on Rules
1	AB 2150 (Santiago & Weber)	Would require that a family, upon establishing initial eligibility or ongoing eligibility for services under the Child Care and Development Act, be considered to meet all eligibility requirements for subsidized child development services 12 months, receive those services for 12 months before having their eligibility re-determined, and not be required to report changes to income or other changes for at least 12 months. A family may voluntarily report income or other changes at any time; the information may be used to make adjustments in family fees, increase the family subsidy or extend the term of eligibility. <i>Because a family meets eligibility requirements at most recent (re)-determination, a payment by a child development program during that time not to be considered an error or improper payment due to change in family circumstances during that period. CDE to convene stakeholders to develop implementing regulations.</i>	Child Care Law Center, Parent Voices	Jaspreet Johl 916.319.2053 jaspreet.johl@asm.ca.gov		Advancement Project, AFSCME, CAEYC, CAPP, CCDA, CCALA, CCRC, Children Now, Children's Council of San Francisco, Choices for Children, Coalition of CA Welfare Rights Orgs, Inc., Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo Co, Community Child Care Council (4Cs) of Alameda Co, Equal Rights Advocates (ERA), Marin Family Child Care Assn, Mimi and Peter Hass Fund, NASW-CA, Nat'l Council of Jewish Women-CA, Oakland USD, Our Family Coalition, SEIU, The Young Women's Freedom Center, WCLP, Women's Foundation of CA, and many more		Introduced: 2/17/16 Amended: 5/31/16 Amended: 6/1/16 In Senate Committee on Rules

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2	AB 2231 (Calderon)	Would increase the amount of civil penalties to be imposed for a licensing violation against community care facilities (inclusive of child development centers and family child care homes), and would impose civil penalties for a repeat violations. In addition, would delete a requirement that moneys collected from the imposition of certain penalties be used for assisting families with the identification, transportation, and enrollment of children in another day care or family day care home upon the revocation or suspension of the license of a day care or family day care home. <i>Specifies conditions for levying and ceasing civil penalties.</i>	CDSS	Kelsy Castillo 916.319.2057 Kelsy.castillo@asm.ca.gov		California Long-Term Care Ombudsman Association (CLTCOA), National Association of Social Workers, CA Chapter (NASW-CA)	6Beds, Inc.	Introduced: 2/18/16 Amended: 4/6/16 In Senate Committee on Rules
Watch	AB 2296 (Low)	Expresses legislative intent to clarify that a "digital signature" on communications with a public entity may be used to satisfy the requirements of an electronic signature under the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act. Defines a digital signature as a type of electronic signature. <i>Would also revise provisions of Government Code by specifying that if a public entity elects to use a digital signature that meets specified requirements, the digital signature has the same force and effect of a manual signature in any communication with the public.</i>	Secretary of State	Melissa Apuya 916.319.2028 melissa.apuya@asm.ca.gov		CA Chamber of Commerce, CA Manufacturing & Technology Association, Computing Technology Industry Association, League of California Cities		Introduced: 2/18/16 Amended: 3/18/16 Amended: 4/19/16 In Senate Committee on Judiciary Hearing: 6/14/16

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Watch	AB 2368 (Gordon)	Would authorize, until 1/1/22, the County of Santa Clara to develop an individualized county child care subsidy plan, and would require the plan to be submitted to the local planning council and the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors for approval. <i>Technical amendment.</i>	Santa Clara County Office of Education, Kidango	Ellen Hou 916.319.2024 ellen.hou@asm.ca.gov		Bay Area Council, CAEYC, CCCCCA, CA Head Start Assn, Child Development Inc, Community Child Care Council of Santa Clara County, Inc., Early Edge CA, Educare CA at Silicon Valley, Family Child Education, Santa Clara USD, First 5 San Mateo Co, First 5 Santa Clara Co, San Francisco SRR Initiative, San Mateo COE, Santa Clara County BOS, Santa Clara 6th District PTA, and many more		Introduced: 2/18/16 Amended: 4/5/16 In Senate Committee on Rules
1 DEAD	AB 2410 (Bonta)	Would enact the Local Control School Readiness Act of 2016. Would require the CDE to develop prekindergarten learning development guidelines, focused on preparing 4 and 5 year old children for kindergarten based on current science that reflects how publicly funded programs can close the achievement gap. <i>Would require the CDE, by 3/1/17, to convene Committee for Kindergarten Readiness stakeholders group to evaluate and develop recommendations on what constitutes kindergarten readiness and to submit to the state board and appropriate legislative policy committees by 1/1/18 a kindergarten readiness definition with clear benchmarks for predictive skills of later success in academics and social-emotional health, social-emotional and executive functioning skills as evidenced by current research. Lists the composition of the members.</i>	Kidango	Molly Tafoya 510.286.1670 molly.tafoya@asm.ca.gov		Children Now, Early Edge California		Introduced: 2/19/16 Amended: 4/7/16 Amended: 4/27/16 Committee on Appropriations Held under submission

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	AB 2615 (Wood)	Amends existing law pertaining to 21st Century High School After School Safety and Enrichment for Teens program by allowing assessment of family fees, termination of grants for noncompliance with reporting requirements and transfer of funds across school sites. Amends existing law pertaining to After School Education and Safety Program (ASES) by allowing specifying ages to serve based on local needs, <i>and</i> allowing fee waivers for certain students. Amends existing law pertaining to 21 st Century Community Learning Centers (21st CCLC) program by requiring the CDE to <i>award funds equitably to each geographic region and urban and rural areas of the state to extent possible.</i>						Introduced: 2/19/16 Amended: 3/18/16 Amended: 4/5/16 Amended: 4/25/16 In Senate Committee on Education Hearing: 6/8/16
DEAD	AB 2660 (McCarty)	Would create the Quality Early Education and Development Act of 2016 that would require the CDE, in consultation with the State Board of Education and State Advisory Council on Early Learning and Care, to submit a plan <i>by 1/1/18</i> to the Legislature and DOF a <i>multi-year</i> plan for providing access to income-eligible children to high quality pre-kindergarten programs for a minimum of one year before enrollment in a kindergarten and a <i>multi-year</i> plan for ensuring that publicly funded prekindergarten programs focus <i>specific elements</i> associated with positive childhood outcomes.	Early Edge California	Bryan Singh 916.319.2007 bryan.singh@asm.ca.gov		Abriendo Puertas/Opening Door, Advancement Project, Bay Area Council, CA Association for Bilingual Ed, CA Catholic Conf, CA State PTA, CA Together, Compton USD, Fight Crime: Invest in Kids, First 5 Assoc of CA, Kidango, United Ways of CA, & more		Introduced: 2/19/16 Amended: 4/12/16 Committee on Appropriations Held under submission

Level of Interest ¹	Bill Number (Author)	Brief Description	Sponsor	Contact	County Position	Support	Oppose	Status (As of 6/7/16)
Watch DEAD	AB 2663 (Cooper)	For the 2016–17 FY, and for each FY thereafter, would continuously appropriate \$73.2M more to the CDE for the After School Education and Safety (ASES) Program. Commencing with the 2017–18 FY, would require the DOF to annually adjust the amount using a specified calculation, provided that the adjustment does not result in a reduction. <i>Would require the CDE to adjust the maximum grant amounts and related amounts in accordance with the amount provided in the Budget Act for the 2016–17 FY.</i> Would also, commencing with the 2017–18 FY, require the CDE to annually adjust those amounts to reflect the percentage change in the CA Consumer Price Index, provided that adjustment does not result in a reduction.				After School All Star-LA, Azusa USD, Bassett USD, Beyond the Bell Branch, Boys & Girls Clubs of AV, of Carson and LA Harbor, CA Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs, CA Assoc for Health, Physical Ed, Rec & Dance, CA Ed Ctrs, CFT, CA PTA, Children Now, CDF-CA, Fight Crime: Invest in Kids, LA's Best, LACOE, YMCA of Greater Long Beach & many more		Introduced: 2/19/16 Amended: 4/13/16 Committee on Appropriations Held under submission
Added DEAD	AB 2676 (Chávez)	Would, for taxable years beginning on or after 1/1/16 and before 1/1/19, increase the amount of the applicable state credit percentage for household and dependent care expenses and revise adjusted gross income amounts <i>for taxpayers with adjusted gross income amounts of \$70,000 or less.</i>					CA Tax Reform Association	Introduced: 2/19/16 Amended: 5/16/16 Committee on Appropriations Held under submission
Spot Bill (1) DEAD	AB 2677 (Chávez)	Expresses legislative intent to limit eligible families to 8 years of CDE-subsidized child care and development services. In addition, would expand the voucher-based system and phase out the direct contracts with child care and development programs over five years, except for contracts with local education agencies for preschool.						Introduced: 2/19/16 Committee on Human Services Hearing: Cancelled at author's request

Level of Interest ¹	Bill Number (Author)	Brief Description	Sponsor	Contact	County Position	Support	Oppose	Status (As of 6/7/16)
Watch	AB 2799 (Chau)	Would establish the Early Learning Personal Information Protection Act. Would, effective 7/1/17, prohibit an Internet website operator, online service, online application or mobile application used primarily for preschool and pre-kindergarten purposes to knowingly engage in marketing or targeted advertising using information to amass a profile about a <i>pupil</i> or selling/disclosing a <i>pupil's</i> information.	Common Sense Media	Edmundo Cuevas 916.319.2049 Edmundo.Cuevas@asm.ca.gov		CA State PTA, LAUSD, Privacy Rights Clearinghouse		Introduced: 2/19/16 In Senate Committee on Judiciary Hearing: 6/14/16
California Senate Bills								
Chaptered	SB 3 (Leno) Chapter 4	Provides a schedule of annual increases to the minimum wage beginning with January 1, 2016 at \$10 per hour to \$15 per hour as of January 1, 2022. Once minimum wage reaches \$15 per hour, requires automatic adjustment of the minimum wage using a specified formula on January 1 of each year to maintain employee purchasing power diminished by the rate of inflation that occurred during the previous year.	Western Center on Law and Poverty, California State Council of the Service Employees International Union (SEIU)			ACLU, CA Alliance for Retired Americans, CAEYC, CA Catholic Conference, CA Lawyers Assoc, CA Hunger Action Coalition, CA Immigrant Policy Center, CA Labor Federation AFL-CIO, CA Rural Legal Assistance Foundation, CA School Employees Assoc, CA Teamsters Public Affairs Council, CA United for a Responsible Budget, CDF-CA, City & Co of San Francisco, City of Long Beach- Office of the Mayor, City of Los Angeles- Office of the Mayor, Coalition of CA Welfare Rights Organizations, Inc., NASW-CA Chapter, Nat'l Employment Law Project and many more	Automotive Service Councils of CA, CA Agricultural Aircraft Assoc, CA Ambulance Association, CA Assoc of Bed and Breakfast Inns, CA Assoc of Health Services at Home, CA Assoc Association of Nurseries and Garden Centers, CA Attractions & Parks Assoc, CA Autobody Assoc, CA Business Properties Assoc, CA Chamber of Commerce, CA Citrus Mutual, CA Cotton Ginners Assoc, CA Dairies, Inc., CA Farm Bureau Federation, and many more	Introduced: 12/2/14 Amended: 3/11/15 Enrolled: 3/31/16 Chaptered: 4/4/16
DEAD	SB 23 (Mitchell)	Would prohibit imposing a condition for cash aid (CalWORKs) on a recipient to disclose information regarding incest, rape or use of contraceptives. Would prohibit denying an increase in aid to a family currently receiving aid upon the birth of a new child. Fiscal effect in 1 st and outgoing years.	WCLP, CWDA, ACLU	Elise Flynn Gyore 916.651.4030 Elise.gyore@sen.ca.gov	Support	ACLU of CA, Advancement Project, Health Access; CAEYC, CA Partnership; CFPA, CA Immigrant Policy Center; Center for Law and Social Policy, Child Care Law Center, Children Now, CDF, NASW, among many others		Introduced: 12/1/14 Assembly Floor Inactive File

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Watch	SB 645 (Hancock)	Would, commencing 1/1/16, and until 7/1/17, authorize an After School Education and Support (ASES) program to suspend operations for up to 5 school days in a fiscal year <i>and prohibit an adjustment in the grant as a result of the suspension.</i> Authorizes the program to determine the specific grades to serve based on local needs. Expresses legislative intent to provide full-day ASES for each day child attends.	California After School Coalition	Renee Estoista 916.651.4009		Alhambra Afterschool Adventures, Alhambra USD, Fight Crime: Invest in Kids CA, Institute for Student Success, Inc., LA's Best After School Enrichment, & many more		Introduced: 2/27/15 Amended: 4/6/15 Amended: 6/2/15 Amended: 7/7/15 Amended: 8/17/15 In Assembly Committee on Appropriations Held in committee under submission
	SB 670 (Jackson)	Would provide tax credits to employers for developing and offering child care and development services to meet the needs of their workforce. Includes credits for startup and facility construction and contributing to child care resource and referral agencies to help employees access services. <i>Technical amendments.</i>	Bay Area Council	Chris Reeve 916.651.4019		CAEYC, Orange County Business Council, Regional Economic Association Leaders Coalition		Introduced: 2/27/15 Amended: 4/23/15 Amended: 5/13/15 Amended: 6/1/15 Amended: 8/18/15 Amended: 8/20/15 In Assembly Committee on Appropriations Held in committee under submission
1 DEAD	SB 1042 (Hancock)	Amends existing Education Code by redefining three year old children as those with their 3 rd birthday on or before December 1 st of the fiscal year (FY) in which they enroll in the California State Preschool Program (CSPP) and four year old children as those with their 4 th birthday on or before September 1 st of the FY in which they enroll in CSPP.	State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Torlakson	Renée Estoista Office of Senator Loni Hancock 916.651.4009 renee.estoista@sen.ca.gov Debbie Look CA Department of Education 916.327.4628 dlook@cde.ca.gov		Alameda Co ECE Planning Council, Bay Area Hispano Institute for Advancement, Berkeley USD, CA Community College Early Childhood Educators, CA Head Start Assoc. Coalition of CA Welfare Rights Org, Kidango, Rio Hondo College Child Dev Ctr, The Salvation Army		Introduced: 2/12/16 Committee on Appropriations Held under submission

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Watch DEAD	SB 1071 (Allen)	Would establish a new formula for a permanent one-time total adjustment to the special education local plan area (SELPA) base funding to support special education and related services as required under the individualized education program for each preschool age child with exceptional needs upon a Budget Act appropriation.				Assoc of CA School Administrators, CA Assoc of School Business Officials, CA School Funding Coalition, Coalition for Adequate Funding for Special Education, Pomona USD-Special Ed Dept, Redondo Beach USD-Office of Ed Svcs, SELPA Admins of CA, Torrance USD, West San Gabriel Valley SELPA, and many more		Introduced: 2/16/16 Committee on Appropriations Hearing: Cancelled at request of author
Watch DEAD	SB 1154 (Liu)	Known as the Patricia Siegel Child Care Resource and Referral Act, would establish in state statute the scope of work currently conducted by child care resource and referral programs. <i>Technical amendments.</i>	CA Child Care R&R Network	Darcel Sanders (916) 651-4025 darcel.sanders@sen.ca.gov		CAPPA, CFT, CCALA, CCRC, Community Child Care of Sonoma County, Northern Director's Group, Siskiyou Child Care Council		Introduced: 2/18/16 Amended: 4/14/16 Committee on Appropriations Held under submission
Watch	SCR 125 (Allen)	States that the Legislature will work towards adoption of a statewide, developmentally appropriate kindergarten readiness assessment tool to assess children's readiness for entering transitional kindergarten and kindergarten.				Abriendo Puertas/Opening Doors, Children Now, Early Edge CA, First 5 Association of California		Introduced: 3/31/16 Committee on Education Hearing: Cancelled at author's request
California Budget Bills (including Trailer Bills)								
	AB 1598 (Ting)	Budget Act of 2016						Introduced: 1/7/16 Amended: 4/25/16 Amended: 5/31/16 Committee on Budget
	SB 825 (Leno)	Budget Act of 2016						Introduced: 1/7/16 Amended: 5/26/16 Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review
	SB 826 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review)	Budget Act of 2016						Introduced: 1/7/16 Amended: 5/25/16 Conference Committee: 6/1-3/16

To obtain additional information about any State legislation, go to www.leginfo.ca.gov/bilinfo.htm; for Federal legislation, visit <http://thomas.loc.gov>. To access budget hearings on line, go to www.calchannel.com and click on appropriate link at right under "Live Webcast". Links to Trailer Bills are available at http://www.dof.ca.gov/budgeting/trailer_bill_language/. For questions or comments regarding this document, contact Michele Sartell, staff with the Office of Child Care, by e-mail at msartell@ceo.lacounty.gov or call (213) 974-5187. An additional source of information on bills posted in this matrix is the subscription-based publication, *Legislative Updates on Child Development*, issued weekly by On the Capitol Doorstep. For more information, visit www.otcdkids.com.

KEY TO LEVEL OF INTEREST ON BILLS:

- 1: Of potentially high interest to the Child Care Planning Committee and Policy Roundtable for Child Care.
- 2: Of moderate interest.
- 3: Of relatively low interest.
- Watch: Of interest, however level of interest may change based on further information regarding author's or sponsor's intent and/or future amendments.

** Levels of interest are assigned by the Joint Committee on Legislation based on consistency with Policy Platform accepted by the Child Care Planning Committee and Policy Roundtable for Child Care and consistent with County Legislative Policy for the current year. Levels of interest **do not** indicate a pursuit of position. Joint Committee will continue to monitor all listed bills as proceed through legislative process. Levels of interest may change based on future amendments.

KEY:

AAP	American Academy of Pediatrics	CTC	Commission on Teacher Credentialing
ACLU	American Civil Liberties Union	CWDA	County Welfare Directors' Association
AFSCME:	American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees	DDS	Department of Developmental Services
CAPPA	California Alternative Payment Program Association	DHS	Department of Health Services
CAEYC	California Association for the Education of Young Children	DOF	Department of Finance
CAFB	California Association of Food Banks	DMH	Department of Mental Health
CCCCA	California Child Care Coordinators Association	First 5 CA	First 5 Commission of California
CCRRN	California Child Care Resource and Referral Network	HHSA	Health and Human Services Agency
CCDAA	California Child Development Administrators Association	LCC	League of California Cities
CDA	California Dental Association	LAC CPSS	Los Angeles County Commission for Public Social Services
CDE	California Department of Education	LACOE	Los Angeles County Office of Education
CDSS	California Department of Social Services	LAUSD	Los Angeles Unified School District
CFT	California Federation of Teachers	MALDEF	Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund
CFPA	California Food Policy Advocates	NASW	National Association of Social Workers
CHAC	California Hunger Action Coalition	NCYL	National Center for Youth Law
CIWC	California Immigrant Welfare Collaborative	PG&E	Pacific Gas and Electric Company
CSAC	California School-Age Consortium	SEIU	Service Employees International Union
CSAC	California State Association of Counties	SPI	Superintendent of Public Instruction
CTA	California Teachers Association	TCI	The Children's Initiative
CCALA	Child Care Alliance of Los Angeles	US DHHS	US Department of Health and Human Services
CCLC	Child Care Law Center	WCLP	Western Center on Law and Poverty
CDPI	Child Development Policy Institute		

DEFINITIONS:²

Committee on Rules	Bills are assigned to a Committee for hearing from here.
Consent Calendar	A set of non-controversial bills, grouped together and voted out of a committee or on the floor as a package.
First Reading	Each bill introduced must be read three times before final passage. The first reading of a bill occurs when it is introduced.
Held in Committee	Status of a bill that fails to receive sufficient affirmative votes to pass out of committee.
Held under Submission	Action taken by a committee when a bill is heard and there is an indication that the author and the committee members want to work on or discuss the bill further, but there is no motion for the bill to progress out of committee.
Inactive File	The portion of the Daily File containing legislation that is ready for floor consideration, but, for a variety of reasons, is dead or dormant. An author may move a bill to the inactive file, and move it off the inactive file at a later date. During the final weeks of the legislative session, measures may be moved there by the leadership as a method of encouraging authors to take up their bills promptly.
On File	A bill on the second or third reading file of the Assembly or Senate Daily File.
Second Reading	Each bill introduced must be read three times before final passage. Second reading occurs after a bill has been reported to the floor from committee.
Spot Bill	A bill that proposes non-substantive amendments to a code section in a particular subject; introduced to assure that a bill will be available, subsequent to the deadline to introduce bills, for revision by amendments that are germane to the subject of the bill.
Third Reading	Each bill introduced must be read three times before final passage. Third reading occurs when the measure is about to be taken up on the floor of either house for final passage.
Third Reading File	That portion of the Daily File listing the bills that is ready to be taken up for final passage.
Urgency Measure	A bill affecting the public peace, health, or safety, containing an urgency clause, and requiring a two-thirds vote for passage. An urgency bill becomes effective immediately upon enactment.
Urgency Clause	Section of bill stating that bill will take effect immediately upon enactment. A vote on the urgency clause, requiring a two-thirds vote in each house, must precede a vote on bill.
Enrollment	Bill has passed both Houses, House of origin has concurred with amendments (as needed), and bill is now on its way to the Governor's desk.

² Definitions are taken from the official site for California legislative information, Your Legislature, Glossary of Legislative Terms at www.leginfo.ca.gov/guide.html#Appendix_B.

STATE LEGISLATIVE CALENDAR 2016 (Tentative)³

January 1, 2016	Statutes take effect (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)).
January 4, 2016	Legislature reconvenes (J.R. 51(a)(4)).
January 10, 2016	Budget Bill must be submitted by Governor (Art. IV, Sec. 12(a)).
January 15, 2016	Last day for policy committees to hear and report to Fiscal Committee fiscal bills introduced in their house in the odd-numbered year (J.R. 61(b)(1)).
January 18, 2016	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Observed
January 22, 2016	Last day for any committee to hear and report to the Floor bills introduced in their house in 2015 (J.R. 61(b)(2)). Last day to submit bill requests to the Office of Legislative Counsel.
January 31, 2016	Last day to for each house to pass bills introduced in that house in the off-numbered year (J.R. 61(b)(3)). (Art. IV, Sec. 10(c)).
February 15, 2016	President's Day Observed
February 19, 2016	Last day for bills to be introduced (J.R. 61(a)(1), J.R. 54(a)).
March 17, 2016	Spring Recess begins upon adjournment (J.R. 51(b)(1)).
March 28, 2016	Legislature reconvenes from Spring Recess (J.R. 51(b)(1)).
April 1, 2016	Cesar Chavez Day observed.
April 22, 2016	Last day for policy committees to meet and report to fiscal committees fiscal bills introduced in their house (J.R. 61(b)(5)).
May 6, 2016	Last day for policy committees to meet and report to the floor non-fiscal bills introduced in their house (J.R. 61(b)(6)).
May 13, 2016	Last day for policy committees to meet prior to June 6 (J.R. 61(b)(7)).
May 27, 2016	Last day for fiscal committees to meet and report to the floor bills introduced in their house (J.R. 61(b)(8)). Last day for fiscal committees to meet prior to June 6 (J.R. 61(b)(9)).
May 30, 2016	Memorial Day observed.
May 31-June 3, 2016	Floor session only. No committee may meet for any purpose (J.R. 61(b)(10)). This deadline APPLIES TO ALL bills, constitutional amendments and bills which would go into immediate effect pursuant to Section 8 of Article IV of the Constitution (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c); J.R. 61(i)).
June 3, 2016	Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house (J.R. 61(b)(11)).
June 6, 2016	Committee meetings may resume (J.R. 61(b)(12)).
June 15, 2016	Budget Bill must be passed by midnight (Art. IV, Sec. 12(c)(3)).
June 30, 2016	Last day for a legislative measure to qualify for the November 8 General election ballot (Election Code Sec. 9040).
July 1, 2016	Last day for policy committees to meet and report bills (J.R. 61(a)(10)).
July 1, 2016	Summer recess begins at the end of this day's session, provided the Budget Bill has been passed (J.R. 51(b)(2)).
July 4, 2016	Independence Day observed.
August 1, 2016	Legislature reconvenes from Summer Recess (J.R. 51(b)(2)).
August 12, 2016	Last day for fiscal committees to meet and report bills (J.R. 61(b)(14)).
August 15 – 31, 2016	Floor session only. No committees, other than conference committees and Rules Committee, may meet for any purpose (J.R. 61(b)(15)). This deadline APPLIES TO ALL bills, constitutional amendments and bills which would go into immediate effect pursuant to Section 8 of Article IV of the Constitution (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c); J.R. 61(i)).
August 19, 2016	Last day to amend bills on the floor (J.R. 61(b)(16)).
August 31, 2016	Last day for each house to pass bills, except bills that take effect immediately or bills in Extraordinary Session (Art. IV, Sec. 10(c), J.R. 61(b)(17)). Final Recess begins upon adjournment (J.R. 51(b)(3)).
Sept 30, 2016	Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature on or before September 11, 2016 and in the Governor's possession after September 1 (Art. IV, Sec. 10(b)(2)).
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Jan. 1	Statutes take effect (Art. IV, Sec. 8(c)).
Jan. 2	Legislature reconvenes (J.R. 51 (a)(4)).

³ California State Senate. *2016 Tentative Legislative Calendar*. Retrieved on January 11, 2015 from http://senate.ca.gov/sites/senate.ca.gov/files/senate_legislative_calendar_2016.pdf.

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Governor's Revised 2016-17 Budget Proposals (May Revise), Legislature Reactions and Next Steps ...Early Care and Education

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Overview

- Continuation of fiscal conservancy
- Preparing for the next recession
- No new funding for child care and development
- Details reform proposals introduced in January and then some...

Building Upon Structural Changes

- Early Education Block Proposal
 - ❖ Consolidates Prop 98 funding resources (\$1.6B) allocated to California State Preschool Program and Transitional Kindergarten
 - ❖ Funding to school districts to target low-income and at-risk 4 and 5 year old children; prioritizes services for certain populations of children
 - ❖ \$20M to county offices of education (COEs) (\$10M one-time/\$10M ongoing) to work with school districts and other providers on transition activities
 - ❖ School districts may contract with other providers
 - ❖ Effective Fiscal Year 2017-18

Building Upon Structural Changes

■ Vouchers for Child Care Proposal

- ❖ California Department of Education (CDE) to develop a plan to transition from contracted funding for non-Proposition 98 subsidized child care and development services into vouchers over five years
- ❖ Purpose – provide eligible working families with better access
- ❖ Sets forth a set of recommendations to streamline existing system – General Child Care, Migrant Child Care, Alternative Payment Program and CalWORKs Child Care – using vouchers as method of subsidy

Building Upon Structural Changes

■ Vouchers for Child Care Proposal (continued)

❖ Recommendations:

- Single reimbursement system reflecting variations in cost of doing business across the state
- Single set of minimum quality and program guidelines for all subsidized providers by setting
- Improved efficiency for parents to access information, apply for and use vouchers
- Improved efficiencies for providers to receive payment

Building Upon Structural Changes

- Vouchers for Child Care Proposal (continued)
 - ❖ Transition plan to include ensuring continuity of care for families participating in contracted programs
 - Technical assistance for contracted programs to participate in voucher programs
 - ❖ No increase to existing state costs for subsidized child care and does not reflect a reduction in the number of slots available statewide
 - ❖ CDE to engage in stakeholder process –Department of Social Services, Governor’s State Advisory Council for Early Learning and Care, First 5 CA, alternative payment agencies, contracted child care providers, local education agencies, and families

