Greetings,

Below is an update on Federal and State legislative and budgetary items of interest to the County of Los Angeles.

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**COUNTY ADVOCACY POSITIONS**

Please find a list of recent advocacy positions taken by the County below.

**Sacramento**

*On April 19, 2022, the Board of Supervisors took action on the following measures:*

- **AB 2434 (Santiago) – HOMELESSNESS ACTION AUTHORITY: COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES**
  
  Oppose AB 2434, which calls for the creation of another Joint Powers Authority (JPA) with the County, City of Los Angeles and any other city within the County for purposes of funding housing to assist low-income households and authorizes the JPA to exercise land use authority, oversee the administration of County social service programs, acquire land through eminent domain and receive new State and Federal funding. More details regarding the motion are available [here](#).

- **AB 2654 (Lackey) – GABRIEL’S LAW**
  
  Support AB 2654, which would remove the funding contingency limitation and require the re-convening of the California State Child Death Review Council to provide Statewide coordination and integration of State and local efforts to track, investigate and prevent child deaths. More details regarding the motion are available [here](#).

- **SB 1161 (Min) – TRANSIT OPERATORS: STREET HARASSMENT PLANS**
  
  Support this measure, which would require the State’s 10 largest transit providers by boardings to develop anti-harassment plans, to be considered and implemented as part of the agencies’ planning, designing and operating their systems. More details regarding the motion are available [here](#).

- **MEDI-CAL COMMUNITY-BASED MOBILE CRISIS SERVICES**
  
  Support the State Budget proposal, that would add multidisciplinary mobile response services for crises related to mental health and substance use disorders as a new Medi-Cal benefit beginning January 1, 2023. More details regarding the motion are available [here](#).
INVESTING IN STRENGTHENING THE COUNTY HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE
The County is advocating in support of policy proposals that incentivize students to pursue careers in allied health, health and mental health care and facilitate the development of a diverse pipeline of workers from the local community, including those who have a background with the criminal justice system. More details regarding the motion are available here.

MEDI-CAL EXPANSION TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE HEALTHCARE FOR ALL
The County is advocating in support of State legislation to expand full-scope Medi-Cal and healthcare subsidies to all County residents, regardless of age or immigration status. More details regarding the motion are available here.

In addition, the County’s Sacramento Advocates are supporting the following proposals:

- **AB 2090 (Arambula)** – CHILD WELFARE WORKLOAD RATIO INCENTIVE PAYMENTS
  This measure would, upon an appropriation, provide incentive payments to counties that meet targeted child welfare services workload ratio recommendations identified by an evaluation conducted by the California Department of Social Services. More details available here.

- **AB 2440 (Irwin) & SB 1215 (Newman)** – RESPONSIBLE BATTERY RECYCLING ACT OF 2022
  These measures would create the Responsible Battery Recycling Act of 2022, which requires producers of covered batteries and battery-embedded products sold in California to develop, finance, and implement a Stewardship Program in collaboration with the Department of Resources, Recycling, and Recovery to recover and recycle their products. More details available here.

- **AB 2945 (Arambula)** – FOSTER CARE: ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES
  This measure would, upon an appropriation, establish the California Foster Youth Enrichment Grant Pilot Program which would provide grant money to foster youth to participate in activities designed to enhance their skills, abilities, self-esteem or overall well-being. More details available here.

- **SB 1486 (Stern)** – ALISO CANYON NATURAL GAS STORAGE FACILITY
  This measure would require that the Aliso Canyon moratorium Withdrawal Protocol remain in effect until the Public Utilities Commission closes all natural gas operations at the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility pursuant to an ongoing proceeding and would also ensure that any jobs or economic activity affected by the cessation of operations at the facility are fully retained, equitably transitioned, or otherwise protected. More details available here.

STATE BUDGET ADVOCACY
The County is advocating on several measures for the upcoming Fiscal Year 2022-23 State Budget, including proposals that would better support families and children, mitigate homelessness, assist seniors and those with disabilities, protect the environment and address climate change, among others.
More information on these proposals, including status, can be found at:

- Advocacy on Proposals Included in the Governor’s Proposed Budget
- Advocacy on Other State Budget Priorities

RESOURCES

For more information on the County’s positions on legislation, and the status of those measures, please visit: County of Los Angeles’ Legislative Tracking System

Information regarding the County’s legislative policies and priorities can be found at: Legislative Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations

Please contact us at legislativeaffairs@ceo.lacounty.gov with any questions.