



MEMORANDUM

DATE	October 20, 2014
TO	Psychology Board Members
FROM	Jonathan Burke Administrative Services Coordinator
SUBJECT	AB 1843 (Gordon/Jones): Child Custody Evaluations

Background:

This bill would grant statutory authority to the Board to access a child custody evaluation report for investigating allegations that one of its licensees, while serving as a child custody evaluator, engaged in unprofessional conduct in the creation of the report.

The Board is mandated by law (Family Code section 3110.5(e)), to investigate complaints against its licensees for unprofessional conduct occurring while that licensee served as a child custody evaluator. AB 1843 will allow the Board to investigate these complaints in a more timely and cost effective manner.

The Board voted at the June Board meeting to take a "Support" position.

This bill was signed by Governor Brown and chaptered by the Secretary of State on August 25th, 2014 as Chapter No. 283. This bill will become effective on January 1st, 2015.

Attachment A is the law as chaptered by the Secretary of State.

Action Requested:

This item is for informational purposes only.