


MEMORANDUM

DATE	May 4, 2017
TO	Policy and Advocacy Committee
FROM	 Cherise Burns Central Services Manager
SUBJECT	Agenda Item #6(c)(7) – AB 266 (Thurmond) Inmates: Housing Assignments

Background:

This bill would require the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR), in making an initial inmate housing assignment, to consider whether the inmate is eligible for public mental health services due to a serious mental illness, and whether the inmate currently is or was eligible for benefits under the federal Social Security Disability Insurance program due to a diagnosed mental illness.

Location: Assembly Committee on Appropriations

Status: 4/25/2017 Re-referred to Assembly Committee on Appropriations

Votes: 3/14/2017 Assembly Committee on Public Safety (7-0-0)

Action Requested:

No action is required at this time. Staff will continue to watch AB 266 (Thurmond) for potential impacts on licensees practicing at CDCR facilities.

Attachment A: AB 266 (Thurmond) Text

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AB-266 Inmates: housing assignments. (2017-2018)

SECTION 1. *Section 3025 is added to the Penal Code, to read:*

3025. The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation shall, in making an initial inmate housing assignment, consider whether the inmate currently is eligible for public mental health services due to a serious mental illness or whether the inmate currently is eligible for benefits under the federal Social Security Disability Insurance program due to a diagnosed mental illness.