

# MEMORANDUM

DATE	July 30, 2018
то	Board of Psychology
FROM	Jason Glasspiegel
	Central Services Coordinator
SUBJECT	Agenda Item #22(d) – Review of Bills with Watch Status Approved by
SUBJECT	the Board

# **Background:**

The enclosed matrix lists the legislative bills the Board of Psychology has been following, and references the status and location of the bills to date. Information on bills in the matrix can be found at: <a href="http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov">http://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov</a>.

# **Action Requested:**

This is for informational purposes only. No action is required.

# Policy and Advocacy Committee Review of Watch Bills and Watch Status

# AB 93 (Medina D) Healing arts: marriage and family therapists: clinical social workers: professional

clinical counselors: required experience and supervision.

**Introduced:** 1/9/2017 **Last Amend:** 5/29/2018

Status: 6/26/2018-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

Desk Policy Fiscal Floor	Desk Policy	Fiscal Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Votood	Chantered
1st House	2nd I	Conc.	Linonea	verbed	Chaptered	

**Summary:** Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of marriage and family therapists, clinical social workers, and professional clinical counselors by the Board of Behavioral Sciences, which is within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law requires trainees, interns, and applicants for licensure in those professions to comply with specified educational and experience requirements, including, but not limited to, hours of supervised experience, and sets forth terms, conditions, and limitations for those hours of experience, including required supervision, as specified. Existing law also requires individuals seeking licensure in those professions to register with the board in order to gain experience hours. Under existing law, a violation of any of the requirements of the licensing acts for marriage and family therapists, clinical social workers, and professional clinical counselors is punishable as a misdemeanor. This bill would revise and recast those supervised experience requirements, as specified. The bill would place new requirements on supervisors of trainees, associates, and applicants for licensure and place new requirements on trainees, associates, and applicants for licensure who are under supervision, as specified. The bill would make conforming changes. By placing new requirements on trainees, associates, applicants for licensure, and their supervisors, a violation of which would be a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

# AB 148 (Mathis R) California Physician Corps Program: practice setting.

**Introduced:** 1/10/2017 **Last Amend:** 7/17/2017

**Status:** 9/1/2017-In committee: Held under submission.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Votood	Chaptered
	1st H	ouse			2nd I	House		Conc.	Ellionea	vetoeu	Chaptered

**Summary:** Existing law establishes the Steven M. Thompson Physician Corps Loan Repayment Program (program) in the California Physician Corps Program within the Health Professions Education Foundation, which provides financial incentives, including repayment of educational loans, to a physician and surgeon who practices in a medically underserved area, as defined. Existing law establishes the Medically Underserved Account for Physicians, a continuously appropriated account, within the Health Professions Education Fund, to primarily provide funding for the ongoing operations of the program. Existing law requires the foundation and the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development to develop guidelines using specified criteria for selection and placement of applicants. This bill would instead require, for purposes of this definition, only until January 1, 2020, and only for program participants who enroll in the program on or after January 1, 2018, and before January 1, 2020, that the clinic or the physician owned and operated medical practice setting have at least 30% of patients, if the area is a rural area, as defined, or at least 50% of patients, if the area is not a rural area, who are from the above-described populations. By expanding the authorization for the use of moneys in the Medically Underserved Account for Physicians, this bill would make an appropriation. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

#### AB 349 (McCarty D) Drug Medi-Cal Treatment Program: rate setting process.

**Introduced:** 2/8/2017 **Last Amend:** 6/7/2018

Status: 6/28/2018-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 9. Noes 0.) (June

27). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Ì	Desk Policy Fiscal Floor	Desk Policy	Fiscal Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Votood	Chantorod
ı	1st House	2nd H	louse	Conc.	Lillolled	vetoeu	Chaptered

**Summary:** Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services and under which qualified low-income persons receive health care benefits. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid provisions. Existing law also provides for the Drug Medi-Cal Treatment Program (Drug Medi-Cal), under which each county enters into contracts with the State Department of Health Care Services to provide various drug treatment services to Medi-Cal recipients, or the department directly arranges to provide these services if a county elects not to do so. Existing law specifies the method of determining the maximum allowable reimbursement rates for Drug Medi-Cal and group outpatient drug free services, and requires the department to adopt any necessary regulations to implement those provisions, including emergency regulations, as specified. This bill would instead authorize the department to implement,

requires the renewal fee for an active license to apply to an inactive license. This bill would prohibit the holder of an inactive license from representing that he or she has an active license. The bill would also authorize a healing arts board to establish a lower inactive license renewal fee.

## AB 1779 (Nazarian D) Sexual orientation: change efforts.

**Introduced:** 1/4/2018 **Last Amend:** 4/5/2018

Status: 4/27/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was B.&P. on 1/22/2018)

Desk <b>Dead</b> Fiscal Floor	Desk Policy Fiscal Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Votood	Chantered
1st House	2nd House	Conc.	Lillolled	vetoeu	Chaptered

**Summary:** Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of various professions in the healing arts, including physicians and surgeons, licensed psychologists, psychiatric technicians, marriage and family therapists, licensed educational psychologists, clinical social workers, and licensed professional clinical counselors. Existing law prohibits mental health providers, as defined, from performing sexual orientation change efforts, as specified, with a patient under 18 years of age. Existing law provides that any sexual orientation change efforts attempted on a patient under 18 years of age by a mental health provider shall be considered unprofessional conduct and shall subject the provider to discipline by the provider's licensing entity. This bill would additionally prohibit a mental health provider from engaging in sexual orientation change efforts with a patient, regardless of age, under a conservatorship or a guardianship. The bill would provide that any sexual orientation change efforts attempted on a patient under a conservatorship or a guardianship shall be considered unprofessional conduct and shall subject the provider to discipline by the provider's licensing entity.

## AB 1893 (Maienschein R) Maternal mental health: federal funding.

**Introduced:** 1/18/2018 **Last Amend:** 4/9/2018

Status: 7/20/2018-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 140,

Statutes of 2018.

Ì	Desk F	Policy Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Votood	Chaptered
		1st House			2nd F	louse		Conc.	Ellionea	vetoeu	Chaptered

**Summary:** Existing law finds and declares that prenatal care, delivery service, postpartum care, and neonatal and infant care are essential services necessary to assure maternal and infant health. Existing law requires the State Department of Public Health to develop and maintain a statewide community-based comprehensive perinatal services program to, among other program objectives, ensure the appropriate level of maternal, newborn, and pediatric care services necessary to provide the healthiest outcome for mother and infant. This bill would require the department to investigate and apply for federal funding opportunities regarding maternal mental health, as specified. This bill would require the department to notify the Legislature on or before January 1, 2020, on the department's efforts to secure and utilize the federal funding it receives.

### AB 1896 (Cervantes D) Sexual assault counselor-victim privilege.

Introduced: 1/22/2018 Last Amend: 5/10/2018

Status: 7/18/2018-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 123,

Statutes of 2018.

Ì	Desk Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Francilod	\/a+a a d	Chaptered
	1st ⊦	louse			2nd F	louse		Conc.	Enronea	vetoed	Chaptered

**Summary:** Existing law establishes a privilege for a victim of a sexual assault to refuse to disclose, and to prevent another from disclosing, a confidential communication between the victim and a sexual assault counselor, if the privilege is claimed by the holder of the privilege, a person who is authorized to claim the privilege by the holder of the privilege, or the person who was the sexual assault counselor at the time of the confidential communication, except as specified. The definition of "sexual assault counselor" includes a person who is engaged in any office, hospital, institution, or center commonly known as a rape crisis center, whose primary purpose is the rendering of advice or assistance to victims of sexual assault and who meets certain requirements. This bill would specifically include within the definition of "sexual assault counselor" for these purposes a person who is engaged in a program on the campus of a public or private institution of higher education, with the same primary purpose of rendering advice or assistance to victims of sexual assault and the same qualifications. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

### AB 1968 (Low D) Mental health: firearms.

**Introduced:** 1/31/2018 **Last Amend:** 4/9/2018

Status: 6/20/2018-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 6. Noes 1.) (June

19). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Ì	Desk Policy Fiscal Floo	r Desk Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Envalled	Votood	Chantored
	1st House	2nd	House		Conc.	Enronea	vetoed	Chaptered

**Summary:** Existing law makes it a crime for a person who has been taken into custody, assessed, and admitted to a designated facility because he or she is a danger to himself, herself, or others, as a result of a mental health disorder to own a firearm for a period of 5 years after the person is released from the facility. Existing law allows a person who is prohibited from owning a firearm pursuant to these provisions to petition the court for a hearing in which the district attorney is required to show by a preponderance of the evidence that the person would not be likely to use firearms in a safe and lawful manner. If the people do not meet this burden, existing law requires the court to order that the person not be subject to this prohibition on the possession of firearms. This bill would require that a person who has been taken into custody, assessed, and admitted to a designated facility because he or she is a danger to himself, herself, or others, as a result of a mental health disorder and who was previously taken into custody, assessed, and admitted one or more times within a period of one year preceding the most recent admittance be prohibited from owning a firearm for the remainder of his or her life. The bill would extend the above hearing process to a person under these provisions. Because a violation of the firearm prohibition would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

# AB 2018 (Maienschein R) Mental health workforce planning: loan forgiveness, loan repayment, and scholarship programs.

Introduced: 2/5/2018 Last Amend: 6/12/2018

Status: 6/25/2018-In committee: Referred to APPR. suspense file.

Desk Policy Fiscal Floor	Desk Policy Fi	<b>iscal</b> Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Votood	Chaptered
1st House	2nd Hou	use	Conc.	Lillolled	vetoeu	Chaptered

**Summary:** Existing law establishes the Steven M. Thompson Physician Corps Loan Repayment Program (program) in the California Physician Corps Program within the Health Professions Education Foundation, which provides financial incentives, including repayment of educational loans, to a physician and surgeon who practices in a medically underserved area, as defined. Existing law establishes the Medically Underserved Account for Physicians, a continuously appropriated account, within the Health Professions Education Fund, to primarily provide funding for the ongoing operations of the program. This bill also would define "practice setting" to include a program or facility operated by, or contracted to, a county mental health plan. By expanding the group of persons eligible for financial incentives payable from a continuously appropriated fund, this bill would make an appropriation. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

### AB 2022 (Chu D) Pupil mental health services: school notification.

**Introduced:** 2/5/2018 **Last Amend:** 6/21/2018

Status: 6/28/2018-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 9. Noes 0.) (June

27). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Envalled	Votood	Chaptered
	1st Ho	ouse			2nd I	House		Conc.	Enronea	vetoed	Chaptered

**Summary:** Existing law requires the governing board of any school district to give diligent care to the health and physical development of pupils and authorizes the governing board of a school district to employ properly certified persons for the work. This bill would require a school of a school district or county office of education and a charter school to notify pupils and parents or guardians of pupils no less than twice during the school year how to initiate access to available pupil mental health services on campus or in the community, or both, as provided. By imposing an additional requirement on schools of school districts and county offices of education and charter schools, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would authorize a county to use funds from the Mental Health Services Act to provide a grant to a school of a school district or county office of education, or to a charter school, within the county, for purposes of funding those notification requirements, and would authorize a school of a school district or county office of education, or a charter school, to apply to its respective county for a grant for those purposes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

# AB 2117 (Arambula D) Marriage and family therapists: clinical social workers: professional clinical counselors.

**Introduced:** 2/8/2018 **Last Amend:** 4/30/2018

Status: 6/28/2018-From Consent Calendar. Ordered to third reading.

Desk Policy Fiscal Floor	Desk Policy Fiscal Floor	Conf.	Envalled	Votood	Chantored
1st House	2nd House	Conc.	Ellionea	vetoeu	Chaptered

**Summary:** (1)Existing law provides for the licensure, registration, and regulation of marriage and family therapists, associate marriage and family therapists, clinical social workers, associate clinical social workers, professional clinical counselors, and associate professional clinical counselors by the

Board of Behavioral Sciences. Existing law provides that the registration for an associate marriage and family therapist, associate clinical social worker, or associate professional clinical counselor may be renewed before its expiration date by taking specified actions. This bill would authorize renewal of an expired registration for an associate marriage and family therapist, associate clinical social worker, or associate professional clinical counselor in the same manner in which an unexpired registration is renewed. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

## AB 2119 (Gloria D) Foster care: gender affirming health care and behavioral health services.

**Introduced:** 2/8/2018 **Last Amend:** 6/18/2018

Status: 6/27/2018-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 5. Noes 2.) (June

26). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Desk Policy Fiscal Floor	Desk Policy Fisc	Floor Conf.	Enrolled	Votood	Chantorod
1st House	2nd House	Conc.	Ellioned	vetoeu	Chaptered

**Summary:** Existing law provides that it is the policy of the state that all minors and nonminors in foster care have specified rights, including, among others, the right to receive medical, dental, vision, and mental health services and the right to be placed in out-of-home care according to their gender identity, regardless of the gender or sex listed in their court or child welfare records. This bill would additionally specify that all minors and nonminors in foster care have the right to have access to gender affirming health care and gender affirming behavioral health care. The bill would, upon the request of a child or nonminor dependent, or his or her caregiver, attorney, Court Appointed Special Advocate, or social worker, require the county child welfare agency to ensure that the child or nonminor dependent has access to gender affirming health care and gender affirming behavioral health services, which are defined to mean health care or behavioral health services that respect the gender identity of the patient, as specified. The bill would require the State Department of Social Services to adopt regulations to implement these provisions on or before January 1, 2020. The bill would also include a statement of legislative findings and declarations. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

# AB 2193 (Maienschein R) Maternal mental health.

**Introduced:** 2/12/2018 **Last Amend:** 7/2/2018

Status: 7/2/2018-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Ì	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Envalled	Votood	Chantarad
1	1st House				Desk Policy <b>Fiscal</b> Floor 2nd House				Conc.	Enronea	vetoed	Chaptered

**Summary:** Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of various healing arts professions, including, but not limited to, physicians and surgeons, by various boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law imposes certain fines and other penalties for, and authorizes these boards to take disciplinary action against licensees for, violations of the provisions governing those professions. This bill would require, by July 1, 2019, a licensed health care practitioner who provides prenatal or postpartum care for a patient to offer to screen or appropriately screen a mother for maternal mental health conditions. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

#### AB 2442 (Santiago D) Mental health.

**Introduced:** 2/14/2018 **Last Amend:** 3/23/2018

Status: 4/27/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(5). (Last location was HEALTH on 3/22/2018)

Desk <b>Dead</b> Fiscal Floor	Desk Policy Fiscal Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Votood	Chantered
1st House	2nd House	Conc.	Elliolled	vetoed	Chaptered

**Summary:** Existing law, the Lanterman-Petris-Short Act, provides for the involuntary detention and treatment of persons with specified mental health disorders for the protection of the persons so committed. Under the act, when a person, as a result of a mental health disorder, is a danger to others, or to himself or herself, or gravely disabled, he or she may, upon probable cause, be taken into custody and placed in a facility designated by the county and approved by the State Department of Social Services for up to 72-hours for evaluation and treatment. Existing law requires specified mental health professionals to assess a person to determine whether the person can be properly served without being detained, and if so, to provide evaluation, crisis intervention, or other inpatient or outpatient services on a voluntary basis. This bill would further require that if a determination is made that a person may be treated without being detained, and if the person is experiencing homelessness, he or she shall also be provided written information about local housing options, employment opportunities, and available public social services. By imposing additional duties on counties, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other existing laws.

### AB 2539 (Mathis R) California Physician Corps Program: practice setting.

**Introduced:** 2/14/2018 **Last Amend:** 4/5/2018

Status: 6/25/2018-In committee: Referred to APPR. suspense file.

Desk Policy Fiscal Floor	Desk Policy	<b>Fiscal</b> Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Votood	Chantored
1st House	2nd I	Conc.	Lillolled	vetoeu	Chaptered	

**Summary:** Existing law establishes the Steven M. Thompson Physician Corps Loan Repayment Program (program) in the California Physician Corps Program within the Health Professions Education Foundation, which provides financial incentives, including repayment of educational loans, to a physician and surgeon who practices in a medically underserved area, as defined. Existing law establishes the Medically Underserved Account for Physicians, a continuously appropriated account, within the Health Professions Education Fund, to primarily provide funding for the ongoing operations of the program. Existing law requires the foundation and the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development to develop guidelines using specified criteria for selection and placement of applicants. This bill would instead require, for purposes of this definition, only until January 1, 2021, and only for program participants who enroll in the program on or after January 1, 2019, and before January 1, 2021, that the clinic or the physician owned and operated medical practice setting have at least 30% of patients, if the area is a rural area, as defined, or at least 50% of patients, if the area is not a rural area, who are from the above-described populations. By expanding the authorization for the use of moneys in the continuously appropriated Medically Underserved Account for Physicians, this bill would make an appropriation. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

## AB 2780 (Bloom D) Family law: support orders.

**Introduced:** 2/16/2018 **Last Amend:** 6/11/2018

Status: 7/3/2018-In Assembly. Concurrence in Senate amendments pending. May be considered on or

after July 5 pursuant to Assembly Rule 77.

	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Votood	Chaptered
ı		1st H	ouse			2nd F	louse		Conc.	Lillolled	vetoeu	Chaptered

**Summary:** (1)Existing law authorizes the court, in a proceeding for dissolution of marriage or for legal separation of the parties, to order a party to submit to an examination by a vocational training counselor to assess the party's ability to obtain certain employment, as specified. Existing law requires a vocational training counselor performing these examinations to possess specific educational and professional experiences, including, among other qualifications, a master's degree in the behavioral sciences. This bill would modify the required qualification to serve as a vocational training counselor by allowing, in the alternative to the master's degree, a vocational training counselor to possess another postgraduate degree that the court finds provides sufficient training to perform a vocational evaluation. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

### AB 2861 (Salas D) Medi-Cal: telehealth: substance use disorders.

**Introduced:** 2/16/2018 **Last Amend:** 5/25/2018

Status: 6/28/2018-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To

Consent Calendar. (Ayes 9. Noes 0.) (June 27). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

L	Desk Policy Fiscal I	Floor De	sk Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Votood	Chantored
	1st House		2nd House			Conc.	Ellionea	vetoeu	Chaptered

**Summary:** Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services and under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid program provisions. This bill would require, upon specific federal participation and approval, the department to allow a licensed practitioner of the healing arts or a certified substance use disorder counselor to receive Medi-Cal reimbursement for covered individual outpatient counseling services for substance use disorders provided through telehealth in accordance with the Medicaid state plan. This bill contains other existing laws.

#### **SB 142** (Beall D) Criminal offenders: mental health.

Introduced: 1/13/2017 Last Amend: 6/21/2018

Status: 6/26/2018-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 7. Noes 0.) (June

26). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Votood	Chaptered
	1st H	ouse			2nd I	House		Conc.	Lillolled	vetoeu	Chaptered

**Summary:** (1)Existing law generally requires, if a person is convicted of a felony and is eligible for probation, before judgment is pronounced, the court to immediately refer the matter to a probation officer to investigate and report to the court upon the circumstances surrounding the crime and the prior history and record of the person. Existing law also authorizes, when a defendant has been granted probation, the court to impose conditions of probation, including, among others, that the probationer go to work and earn money for the support of his or her dependents or to pay any fine imposed or reparation condition. This bill would authorize a defendant to provide documentation to the court that he or she is currently, or was at any prior time, eligible for public mental health services due

to a serious mental illness or eligible for Social Security Disability Insurance due to a diagnosed mental illness. The bill would prohibit a finding that the defendant has a mental disorder, any progress report concerning his or her treatment, or any other record related to a mental disorder from being used in any other civil or administrative proceeding without the defendant's consent. The bill would also require the court to consider the defendant's mental health history when determining sentencing and whether referral to the county behavioral health system for treatment in the community, including residential treatment, is appropriate in lieu of incarceration. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

## **SB 215** (**Beall** D) Diversion: mental disorders.

**Introduced:** 2/1/2017 **Last Amend:** 6/14/2018

Status: 6/27/2018-June 27 set for first hearing canceled at the request of author.

Desk Policy Fiscal Floor	Desk Policy <b>Fiscal</b> Floor	Conf.	Envalled	Vatand	Chantarad
1st House	2nd House	Conc.	Enroned	vetoed	Chaptered

Summary: Existing law authorizes a court, with the consent of the defendant and a waiver of the defendant's speedy trial right, to postpone prosecution of a misdemeanor and place the defendant in a pretrial diversion program if the defendant is suffering from sexual trauma, a traumatic brain injury, post-traumatic stress disorder, substance abuse, or mental health problems as a result of his or her military service. Existing law authorizes the defendant to be referred to services for treatment and requires the responsible agencies to report to the court and the prosecution not less than every 6 months. This bill would authorize a court, with the consent of the defendant and a waiver of the defendant's speedy trial right, to postpone prosecution of a misdemeanor or a felony punishable in a county jail, and place the defendant in a pretrial diversion program for up to 2 years if the court is satisfied the defendant suffers from a mental disorder, that the defendant's mental disorder played a significant role in the commission of the charged offense, and that the defendant would benefit from mental health treatment. For specified offenses, the bill would condition granting diversion on the consent of the prosecution. Specified driving-under-the-influence offenses would not be eligible for diversion under these provisions. The bill would require the defense to arrange, to the satisfaction of the court, for a program of mental health treatment utilizing existing inpatient or outpatient mental health resources. The bill would require the divertee's mental health provider to provide reports on the defendant's progress to the court, the defense, and the prosecution not less than every month if the offense is a felony, and every 3 months if the offense is a misdemeanor, as specified. By increasing the duties of local prosecutors and public defenders, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would require, upon successful completion of the diversion program, that the charges be dismissed and the records of the arrest be restricted, as specified, and that the arrest be deemed never to have occurred, except as provided. The bill would state findings and declarations by the Legislature regarding the need for the diversion program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

## **SB 399** (Portantino D) Health care coverage: pervasive developmental disorder or autism.

**Introduced:** 2/15/2017 **Last Amend:** 6/20/2018

Status: 6/20/2018-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Desk Policy Fiscal Floor	Desk Policy <b>Fiscal</b> Floor	Conf. Enrolled Voteed	Chantored
1st House	2nd House	Conc.   Ellioned   Vetoed	Chaptered

**Summary:** Existing law, the Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act, requires the State Department of Developmental Services to contract with regional centers to provide services and supports to individuals with developmental disabilities and their families. Existing law defines developmental disability for these purposes, to include, among other things, autism. This bill, among other things, would expand the definition of a "qualified autism service professional" to include behavioral service providers who meet specified educational and professional or work experience qualifications. The bill would revise the definition of a "qualified autism service paraprofessional" by deleting the reference to an unlicensed and uncertified individual and by requiring the individual to comply with revised educational and training, or professional, requirements. The bill would also revise the definitions of both a qualified autism service professional and a qualified autism service paraprofessional to include the requirement that these individuals complete a background check. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

### SB 715 (Newman D) Department of Consumer Affairs: regulatory boards: removal of board members.

**Introduced:** 2/17/2017 **Last Amend:** 4/25/2017

**Status:** 9/14/2017-From inactive file. Ordered to third reading. Ordered to inactive file on request of

Assembly Member Calderon.

Desk	Policy Fi	iscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Votood	Chantorod
	1st House			Desk Policy Fiscal <b>Floor</b> 2nd House				Conc.	Lilioned	vetoeu	Chaptered

Summary: Existing law provides for the licensure and regulation of various professions and vocations

by boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs. Existing law authorizes the Governor to remove from office any member of any board within the department appointed by him or her, on specific grounds, including continued neglect of duties required by law. This bill would specifically include the failure to attend meetings of the board as one example of continued neglect of duties required by law that the Governor can use as a reason to remove a member from a board.

Total Measures: 29 Total Tracking Forms: 29