

CALIFORNIA SENIOR LEGISLATURE



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URGENCY STATE LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL

AP-28 Senior Assembly Member Monck & Senior Senator Levy: Long-Term Care Options. This proposal would establish the right of any person in need of long-term care services that are available in an institutional setting to receive those services in the community and to make changes in programs and agencies to implement that right.

TOP TEN STATE LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

AP-9 Senior Assembly Members Glasmeier and Woods: Tribal Gaming Funding for Senior Centers. This proposal sets aside 20% from tribal gaming payments to the State to fund senior citizen centers.

AP-14 Senior Assembly Member Lucero: Hearing Aid Availability and Cost. This proposal requires that hearing aids be made available for over-the counter sales and vendors be encouraged to submit a plan to the Hearing Aid Dispensers Bureau.

AP-16 Senior Assembly Member Lucero: Pharmaceutical Expiration Dates. (H) This proposal requires the inclusion of an accurate "best before" date on pharmaceutical products.

AP-18 Senior Assembly Member Taylor: Senior Mobilehome Park Rent Control. This proposal imposes rent control on seniors-only mobilehome parks that limits rent increases to the CPI.

AP-19 Senior Assembly Member Trotter: Senior Facility Infrastructure Upgrades. This proposal establishes a study of the infrastructure needs being shaped by increases in the senior population and includes funding for upgrades and renovations.

SP-2 Senior Senator Fromm: IHSS Criminal Background Checks. This proposal authorizes IHSS public authorities to obtain criminal background checks and subsequent arrest notification for non-IHSS providers.

SP-3 Senior Senator Goldman: Senior Citizen ID Cards. This proposal requires the DMV to notify seniors who choose not to renew driver's licenses that a senior citizen ID card is available free of charge.

SP-4 Senior Senator Griswold: Property Tax Exemptions. This proposal increases the homeowner's property tax exemption from \$7,000 to \$27,000 for seniors.

SP-17 Senior Senator Mack: Large Print Prescription Warnings. This proposal requires pharmacists to include large print inserts with prescriptions warning of drug interactions.

SP-18 Senior Senator Wright: Oral Health in Nursing Homes. This proposal requires that the DHS review the oral health component of nursing home treatment plans on a quarterly basis for proper completion and that appropriate referrals to dental professionals be made, with failures reported as abuse.

TOP FOUR FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS

AFP-2 Senior Assembly Members Shontz and Gould: Parkinson's Prescription Renewal. This proposal changes the renewal period for Parkinson's Medicare prescriptions from 30 to 180 days.

AFP-3 Senior Assembly Member Mitchell: Aircraft Portable Oxygen Devices. This proposal requires aircraft operators to allow passengers on oxygen therapy to carry on and operate portable oxygen devices.

AFP-5 Senior Assembly Member Lucero: Sale of Personal Information. This proposal requires business entities to obtain written permission from seniors prior to the sale of personal information.

SFP-11 Senior Senator Gehrig: Medicare Podiatric Preventive Care. This proposal expands Medicare coverage to include a co-pay for one annual podiatric care visit.

Full text of all of the proposals passed by the **California Senior Legislature** at its 2006 Legislative Session can be found on the web site at **www.4csl.org**.

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