



STATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
Wednesday, April 12, 2023
10:00am – 12:00pm
City Hall, Room 201

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AGENDA

I. ROLL CALL

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES (Action Item). Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes from the meeting on March 15, 2023.

III. STATE LOBBYIST OVERVIEW AND UPDATE (Discussion Item). The City's state lobbyist will present to the Committee an update on State legislative matters.

IV. PROPOSED LEGISLATION (Discussion and Action). Discussion and possible action item: the Committee with review and discuss state legislation affecting the City and County of San Francisco. Items are listed by Department, then by bill number.

New Business

San Francisco Animal Care and Control & Office of the City Administrator

Presenter: Angela Yip

AB 595 (Essayi): Animal shelters: 72-hour public notice: euthanasia: study

Recommended Position: Oppose

The March 21 revisions require 72-hour public notice before the euthanasia of any animal except in cases of irremediable suffering, newborns without maternal care, and dogs with a documented history of vicious/dangerous behavior. It imposes criminal penalties for violations. The bill would create new requirements on Animal Care and Control agencies, and it is an unfunded mandate.

Department of Homelessness and Supportive Housing

Presenter: Dylan Schneider

AB 441 (Haney): Earned Income Tax Credit: young child tax credit: foster youth tax credit: periodic payments

Recommended Position: Support

AB 441 would allow Californians to receive advance monthly payments of their CalEITC, Young Child Tax Credit, and Foster Youth Tax Credit, if the combined value of the credits is \$1,000 or greater.

SB 37 (Caballero): Older Adults and Adults with Disabilities Housing Stability Act

Recommended Position: Support

SB 37 would establish a multi-year Rent Stabilization Fund to provide a mix of shallow and deep subsidies to help older adults and people with disabilities afford fair market rate rent and transition to permanent housing assistance programs, including federally funded subsidies like the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program. SB 37 would also encourage the Department of Housing and Community Development to fund and work with a variety of community-based organizations who provide housing and services to older adults and people with disabilities.

SB 657 (Caballero): Homelessness services staff training

Recommended Position: Support

SB 657 would require the Interagency Council on Homelessness ("council") to coordinate with the California continuums of care and the area agencies on aging to partner in their shared regions to provide gerontological training for homelessness services staff, to ensure that homelessness service providers are well trained and well equipped to assist vulnerable older adults with accessing resources to gain a permanent housing solution.

Department of Public Health

Presenter: Max Gara

AB 608 (Schiavo): Medi-Cal: Comprehensive Perinatal Services

Recommended Position: Support

AB 608 ensures more Californians have a healthy start to life by extending the Comprehensive Perinatal Services Program for Medi-Cal members to one year postpartum. The bill also allows perinatal health workers to provide preventive services outside of a clinic.

AB 1057 (Weber): California Home Visiting Program

Recommended Position: Support

The California Home Visiting Program (CHVP) is a voluntary program created by the State Department of Public Health to support pregnant people and parents with young children who live in communities that face greater risks and barriers to achieving positive maternal and child health outcomes. AB 1057 would boost the reach and impact of CHVP by giving additional flexibility to local health jurisdictions to administer Home Visiting Programs that address the unique needs of their communities and better provide support to families who need it most.

Office of the Treasurer and Tax Collector

Presenter: Michelle Lau

SB 618 (Rubio): End Debt Trap Act

Recommended Position: Support

This bill would eliminate the collection and accrual of interest on child support debt owed to the government for public assistance repayment.

San Francisco Human Services Agency

Presenter: Rod Finetti

AB 366 (Petrie-Norris): County human services agencies: workforce development

Recommended Position: Support

AB 366 by Assembly Member Petrie-Norris would provide funding and resources, as well as reduce barriers, to address significant workforce shortages in county human services programs.

AB 386 (Nguyen): California Right to Financial Privacy Act

Recommended Position: Support

This bill would improve the capability of Adult Protective Services (APS) to fulfill its obligation to protect seniors and disabled adults from the growing threat of financial abuse.

AB 605 (Arambula): CalFresh Fruit and Vegetable Supplemental Benefits Expansion Program

Recommended Position: Support

AB 605 (Arambula) would expand the number and geographic diversity of retailers offering fruit and vegetable supplemental benefits to CalFresh.

San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency

Presenter: Katie Angotti

AB 361 (Ward): Vehicles: video imaging of bicycle lane parking violations

Recommended Position: Support

This bill authorizes a local agency to use automated forward-facing parking control devices on city owned enforcement vehicles to cite vehicles parked in a bike lane.

San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency & Department on the Status of Women

Presenter: Katie Angotti

SB 434 (Min): Transit operators: street harassment survey

Recommended Position: Support

This bill requires the top ten public transit operators, including the SFMTA, upon appropriation of funds by the Legislature to collect and publish survey data and conduct outreach activities for the purpose of informing their efforts to improve the safety of riders and reduce street harassment on public transit. The bill requires transit operators, by December 31, 2024, to publish the survey data on their websites and inform the Governor and the Legislature.

San Francisco Public Utilities Commission

Presenter: Scott Ammon

SB 83 (Wiener): Public utilities: electrical distribution grid: interconnection

Recommended Position: Support

This bill would require electrical corporations to interconnect development projects to the electrical distribution grid within eight weeks of a project receiving a "Green Tag" from a governmental agency. Issuance of a Green Tag would confirm that all prerequisite work and approvals necessary for interconnection of a development project to the grid have been completed and received by the project applicant. The bill would require electrical corporations to compensate project applicants in the event that the electrical corporation fails to interconnect the project to the grid within the eight week timeline.

The bill would also require electrical corporations to provide an annual report to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) on the number of interconnection applications received within the previous 12 months and the time period for interconnecting these projects to the grid. The SFPUC recommends a support position for SB 83.

Presenter: Rebecca Peacock

SB 778 (Ochoa Bogh): Excavations: subsurface installations

Recommended Position: Oppose unless amended

This bill would remove the exemption for nonpressurized sewer lines and storm drains from California's Dig Safe Law. It also makes other changes, such as revising requirements around notification of operators, use of vacuum equipment, and processes regarding discrepancies in excavation area delineation.

Environment Department

Presenter: Kyle Wehner

AB 496 (Friedman): Cosmetic safety

Recommended Position: Support

This bill prohibits the sale in California of cosmetic products containing any one of 26 carcinogens, reproductive toxins, and endocrine disruptors beginning January 1, 2025.

AB 1290 (Rivas): Eliminating Problematic Plastics Act

Recommended Position: Support

This bill would prohibit in California the manufacture, sale, or distribution of opaque or pigmented polyethylene terephthalate bottles, and plastic packaging containing certain chemicals, pigments, or additives beginning January 1, 2026.

SB 253 (Wiener): Corporate Climate Data Accountability Act

Recommended Position: Support

This bill would require large companies doing business in California to publicly disclose their Scope 1, 2, and 3 greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. This bill will hold businesses accountable for the entire lifecycle of their operational impacts and contributions to climate change.

SB 261 (Stern): Climate-Related Risk Disclosure Act

Recommended Position: Support

This bill would require large companies doing business in California to publicly report their climate-related financial risk. This bill would ensure that financial institutions and businesses are taking the necessary steps to mitigate and adapt to global climate impacts.

SB 511 (Blakespear): Greenhouse gas emissions inventories

Recommended Position: Support

The bill would instruct the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to publish greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions inventory data for municipalities on a publicly accessible database to help simplify climate action planning for municipalities in California. This legislation would help shift municipal resources away from time-consuming GHG accounting activities and toward impactful, consistent, and standardized implementation of climate programs.

SB 707 (Newman): Responsible Textile Recovery Act of 2023

Recommended Position: Support

SB 707 creates a statewide textile repair and recycling extended producer responsibility program to reduce the increasing volume of unusable textiles in landfills.

Department of Early Childhood

Presenter: Graham Dobson

AB 244 (Wilson): Specialized Inclusivity Training for Child Care Staff Grant Program

Recommended Position: Support

This bill would establish the Specialized Inclusivity Training for Child Care Staff Grant Program to fund staff training on including children with disabilities and improve access to child care for children with disabilities in California.

AB 596 (Reyes): Child Care Rate Reform and Suspension of Family Fees

Recommended Position: Support

AB 596 will help early learning and childcare providers and families by transitioning providers to a single cost based reimbursement rate, suspending family fees until an equitable sliding scale for family fees is established, and funding providers using an enrollment based contract earning mechanism. This is a companion bill to SB 380 (Reyes).

SB 380 (Limon): Child care: statewide pilot policies: individualized county childcare subsidy plans.

Recommended Position: Support

SB 380 will help early learning and childcare providers and families by transitioning providers to a single cost based reimbursement rate, suspending family fees until an equitable sliding scale for family fees is established, and funding providers using an enrollment based contract earning mechanism. This is a companion bill to AB 596 (Limon).

SB 635 (Menjivar): Early Education and Child care: developmental screenings

Recommended Position: Support

SB 635 would provide tens of thousands of children with access to early childhood developmental screening and other appropriate developmental screenings. It would also ensure that children ages 0-5 who need additional services after screening are referred for further assessment and intervention at no cost to the parent.

Department of Children Youth and Their Families

Presenter: Jasmine Dawson

SB 274 (Skinner): Suspensions and Expulsions: Willful Defiance

Recommended Position: Support

Senate Bill 274 would remove disrupting school activities and willful defiance from being on the list of acts for which a pupil, regardless of their grade enrollment, may be suspended or recommended for expulsion. Additionally, this bill will remove the ability to suspend or expel pupils who are truant, tardy, or otherwise absent from school activities. DCYF would support this bill fully based on the research confirming students of color, homeless, with disabilities, in foster care, and/or LGBTQIA+ are more likely to be suspended for behavior deemed to be willfully defiant.

SB 287 (Skinner): Features that harm child users: civil penalty

Recommended Position: Support

Senate Bill 287 would prohibit social media platforms from using a design, algorithm, or feature that the platform knows, or with the exercise of reasonable care should have known causes child users increased risk of harm, including addiction to the social media platform. DCYF would fully support this bill fully because we recognize that these algorithms can cause harm and increase risk in a number of ways, for example by promoting eating disorders or offering information on how to die by suicide. We also support that this bill lifts up the California Age-Appropriate Design Code Act which states that a business that provides an online service, product, or feature likely to be accessed by children to comply with specified requirements, including a requirement to configure all default privacy settings offered by the online service, product, or feature to the settings that offer a high level of privacy, as prescribed, and is required of a business. This requires new online services, products, or features that are offered to the public, complete a Data Protection Impact Assessment for any online service, product, or feature likely to be accessed by children and maintain documentation of this assessment if the online service, product, or feature is likely to be accessed by children.

SB 333 (Cortese): Homeless Pupils: California Success, Opportunity, and Academic Resilience (SOAR) Guaranteed Income Program

Recommended Position: Support

Senate Bill 333 would require the State Department of Social Services to establish the California Success, Opportunity, and Academic Resilience (SOAR) Guaranteed Income Program. This program would award public school pupils who are in the 12th grade and are homeless children or youths, a guaranteed income of \$1,000 each month for 5 months from April 1, 2025, to August 1, 2025. DCYF would support this bill fully based on the needs of who we would consider a priority population with greater needs, homeless youth, and because youth will receive a guaranteed based income of \$1,000 for five months and funds would not be considered income for public social service programs or other purposes and would not negatively impact the award recipient's eligibility for future public social service programs.

Department on the Status of Women

Presenter: Alea Brown-Hoffmeister

AB 254 (Bauer-Kahan): Confidentiality of Medical Information Act: reproductive or sexual health application information

Recommended Position: Support

Assemblymember Bauer-Kahan introduced AB 254, which ensures the privacy and security of individuals' information when they opt to use apps and websites that provide reproductive and sexual health services.

AB 576 (Weber): Medi-Cal: reimbursement for abortion

Recommended Position: Support

AB 576 ensures that patients that rely on Medi-Cal can access medication abortion in line with up-to-date clinical guidelines and peer-reviewed scientific evidence.

AB 598 (Wicks): Sexual health education and human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) prevention education: school climate and safety: California Healthy Kids Survey

Recommended Position: Support

AB 598, introduced by Assemblymember Wicks requires school districts, including those in the City and County of San Francisco, to participate in the California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS) and include a module on sexual and reproductive health care as one of the core survey modules.

AB 710 (Schiavo): State Department of Public Health: pregnancy care and abortion services awareness campaign

Recommended Position: Support

This bill will launch a public information campaign to provide women with accurate information regarding access to abortion care at crisis pregnancy centers.

AB 1194 (Carrillo): California Privacy Rights Act Of 2020: Exemptions: Abortion Services

Recommended Position: Support

This bill will ensure that businesses can not use exemptions under the Consumer Privacy Rights Act to share information about a consumer accessing, procuring, or searching for services regarding contraception, pregnancy care, and perinatal care, including abortion services.

SB 36 (Skinner): Out-of-state criminal charges: prosecution related to abortion, contraception, reproductive care, and gender-affirming care

Recommended Position: Support

The new legislation by Senator Skinner builds on those landmark laws by barring California judges from directing bounty hunters or bail agents and making it illegal for bounty hunters and bail agents, to apprehend people who fled criminal prosecution or imprisonment for providing, receiving or supporting an abortion or gender-affirming care. Bounty hunters and bail agents who violate the new statute would be guilty of a misdemeanor and face up to a year in jail and forfeiture of their license to operate in California.

SB 345 (Skinner): Health care services: legally protected health care activities

Recommended Position: Support

SB 345 expands legal protections for health care professionals providing reproductive health services as well as gender-affirming care, contraception, and abortions for out-of-state patients. Specifically, this bill will protect health care providers from suspension, license revocation, and other related disciplinary actions by a California medical licensing board, due to their performance of legally protected health care services regardless of where these services were performed. Additionally, health care providers will be further protected from civil suits or criminal prosecution by non-California jurisdictions due to their performance of health care services, including abortions.

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