

A & LTC Legislation (2015): Summary Disposition

Highlights:

- A & LTC Report included over 30 aging & long-term care reform recommendations
- Issues addressed included caregiving, advanced care planning/end of life choices, quality of care, elder protection, and reauthorization of federal programs
- 36 bills on introduced during 2014-15 legislative session
- Collaboration among 17 members in Legislature
- 13 bills signed, 3 vetoed by Governor Brown, 4 two-year bills, remainder held in policy or fiscal committee

Chaptered Bills on Key Report Recommendations:

- AB 664 (Dodd) authorizes development of UAT
- SB 675 (Liu) and ACR 38 (Brown) provide additional caregiving support
- SB 613 (Allen) and SB 19 (Wolk) expands upon uniform data collection and reporting.
- AB 601 (Eggman) and AB 1436 (Burke) improves oversight and accountability of RCFEs and IHSS program.
- SB 36 (Hernandez) authorizes expansion of Section 1115 waiver after demonstration project's expiration on Oct. 31, 2015.
- ACR 38 (Brown), California Task Force on Family Caregiving

Two-year bills:

- SB 547/SB 571 (Liu), Legislation being combined to provide for an LTC Secretary for better coordination and improved service delivery, development of an LTC portal, a statewide LTC plan, and HCBS access standards
- AB 348 (Brown) strengthens timeframes on inspections on long-term care facilities conducted by DPH
- AB 1394 (Brown) reduces inequality gaps in SSI/SSP allowances