

**BOARD OF VOCATIONAL NURSING
AND PSYCHIATRIC TECHNICIANS**

LEGISLATIVE REPORT

New Legislation Proposed During the 2011-12 Session

SB 60	AUTHOR:	Evans
	TITLE:	Mental Health: Worker and Patient Safety
	SUMMARY:	
	Expresses the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would address the safety of workers and patients in state hospitals under the jurisdiction of the State Department of Mental Health.	
	STATUS:	
	1/20/11	To Senate Committee on Rules

Disposition of Legislation Proposed During the 2009-10 Legislative Session

AB 583	AUTHOR:	Hiyashi
	TITLE:	Health Care Practitioners: Disclosure of Education
	SUMMARY:	
	Requires certain health care practitioners to provide their name, license type, highest level of academic degree, and board certification in written disclosures to patients or in their offices.	
	STATUS:	
	Enacted, Chapter 436	

AB 2699	AUTHOR:	Bass
	TITLE:	Healing Arts: Licensure Exemption
	SUMMARY:	
	Until January 1, 2014, temporarily exempts out-of-state licensed healthcare practitioners from California licensure requirements while participating in a free healthcare event in this state sponsored by an approved nonprofit organization. Also, requires the sponsoring entity and all participating out-of-state healthcare practitioners to register in advance with the appropriate licensing boards and comply with California law during the event.	
	STATUS:	
	Enacted, Chapter 270	

SB 856	AUTHOR:	Committee on Budget & Fiscal Review
	TITLE:	Healing Arts Boards: Investigative Services
	SUMMARY:	
	Allows the Division of Investigations, the Medical Board, the Dental Board, and other healing arts boards, to employ non-sworn personnel and consultants with subject matter expertise to provide the investigative services for the boards.	
	STATUS:	
	Enacted, Chapter 719	

SB 1111	AUTHOR:	Negrete McLeod
	TITLE:	Healing Arts Boards: Enforcement
	SUMMARY:	
	Would have enacted a number of changes pertaining to the enforcement activities of the healing arts boards under the Department of Consumer Affairs, including: 1) increased the board's authority to remove dangerous individuals from practice; 2) provided better access to critical information for use in investigations; and 3) made various other changes to improve efficiency in enforcement processes.	
	STATUS:	
	Died in Senate, Business, Professions & Economic Development Committee	

SB 1119	AUTHOR:	Wright
	TITLE:	Health Care Staffing
	SUMMARY:	
	Would have extended various existing disclosure and reporting requirements to temporary staffing agencies that refer licensed nursing staff to hospitals and health facilities that admit patients for overnight care.	
	STATUS:	
	Vetoed	

SB 1172	AUTHOR:	Negrete McLeod
	TITLE:	Regulatory Boards: Diversion Programs
	SUMMARY:	
	Requires a healing arts board within the Department of Consumer Affairs to issue a cease practice order to a licensee who is on probation for substance abuse or in a diversion program and tests positive for a banned substance. Also, authorizes a board to adopt regulations ordering a licensee on probation or in a diversion program to cease practice for major violations of probation or the diversion program and when the board orders a licensee to undergo a clinical diagnostic evaluation.	
	STATUS:	
	Enacted, Chapter 517	

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