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TO: Board Members

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SUBJECT: Legislative Report

Listed below are the key bills that the Board has been following.

AB 186 PROFESSIONS AND VOCATIONS: MILITARY SPOUSES: LICENSES MAIENSCHEIN (R)

SUMMARY: Establishes a temporary licensure process for an applicant who holds a current license in another jurisdiction and who supplies satisfactory evidence of being married to or in a domestic partnership or other legal union with an active duty member of the Armed Forces and is assigned to a duty station in the state under official active duty military orders. Requires a signed affidavit from the applicant attesting to the fact he or she meets all requirements. Authorizes certain background checks.

INTRODUCED: 01/28/13
LAST AMENDED: 06/24/13
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Business, Professions & Economic Development Committee
STATUS: 07/01/13: In SENATE Committee on BUSINESS, PROFESSIONS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Heard, remains in Committee.

AB 213 HEALING ARTS: CERTIFICATION: MILITARY EXPERIENCE LOGUE (R)

SUMMARY: Requires the Department of Public Health, on the presentation of evidence by an applicant for licensure or certification, to accept education, training and practical experience completed in military service toward the qualifications and requirements of a license or certificate if it is equivalent to specified standards. Requires the Department of Veterans Affairs, Chancellor of the California State University and Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to provide technical assistance.

INTRODUCED: 01/31/13
LAST AMENDED: 04/18/13

DISPOSITION: Failed
LOCATION: Assembly
STATUS: 01/31/2014: Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.
02/03/2014: From Committee: Filed with the Chief Clerk pursuant to JR 56.

**AB 259 HEALTH AND CARE FACILITIES: CPR
LOGUE (R)**

Makes it a misdemeanor for long-term care health care facilities, community care facilities, adult day care health care centers, and residential care facilities to have a policy that prohibits any employee from administering cardiopulmonary resuscitation. Provides an exception for do not resuscitate or advance health care directive that prohibits resuscitation.

INTRODUCED: 02/07/13
LAST AMENDED: 04/16/13
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Health Committee
STATUS: 05/23/13: To SENATE Committees on HEALTH and RULES.

**AB 291 CALIFORNIA SUNSET REVIEW COMMISSION
NESTANDE (R)**

SUMMARY: Abolishes the Joint Sunset Review Committee. Establishes the California Sunset Review Commission within the executive branch to assess the continuing need for any agency to exist.

INTRODUCED: 02/11/13
DISPOSITION: Failed
LOCATION: Assembly
STATUS: 01/31/2014: Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.
02/03/2014: From Committee: Filed with the Chief Clerk pursuant to JR 56.

**AB 396 PRESCRIPTIONS
FOX (D)**

SUMMARY: Requires that every prescription include a legible, clear notice of the condition or purpose for which the drug is prescribed, unless the patient or prescriber requests that this information be omitted. Requires that every prescription container be correctly labeled to include that information, if so indicated on the prescription, unless the patient or prescriber requests that this information be omitted.

INTRODUCED: 02/15/13
DISPOSITION: Failed
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
STATUS: 02/03/2014: Died at Desk.

AB 790 CHILD ABUSE: REPORTING
GOMEZ (D)

SUMMARY: Requires every mandated reporter of suspected child abuse who is not a health care provider and who has knowledge of such abuse or neglect to make an individual report. Requires the person who files a single report on behalf of multiple health care providers who are mandated reporters to include the names of the other members of the reporting team. Provide such reporter is exempt from criminal penalties or other sanctions for not providing other names under certain conditions.

INTRODUCED: 02/21/13
LAST AMENDED: 06/04/13
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee
STATUS: 08/30/13: In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Held in committee.

AB 859 PROFESSIONS AND VOCATIONS: MILITARY MEDICAL PERSONNEL
GOMEZ (D)

SUMMARY: Promotes and pursues programmatic changes to nursing and paramedic licensure requirements for the state's military medical personnel in order to recognize the talent, skills, and training of these military medical personnel.

INTRODUCED: 02/21/13
DISPOSITION: Failed
LOCATION: Assembly
STATUS: 02/03/2014: Died at Desk.

AB 1017 INCOMING TELEPHONE CALLS: MESSAGES
GOMEZ (D)

SUMMARY: Relates to existing law which requires each state agency to establish a procedure pursuant to which incoming telephone calls on any public line are answered within a certain number of rings during regular business hours. Requires that the procedure shall enable a caller to leave a message and that the message be returned by a specified time.

INTRODUCED: 02/22/13
DISPOSITION: Failed
LOCATION: Assembly
STATUS: 01/31/2014: Died pursuant to Art. IV, Sec. 10(c) of the Constitution.
02/03/2014: From Committee: Filed with the Chief Clerk pursuant to JR 56.

SB 77 HEALTH
SENATE BUDGET & FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

SUMMARY: A health care practitioner in a practice or an office, whose license is prominently displayed, may opt to not wear a name tag. If a health care practitioner or a licensed clinical social

worker is working in a psychiatric setting or in a setting that is not licensed by the state, the employing entity or agency shall have the discretion to make an exception from the name tag requirement for individual safety or therapeutic concerns. In the interest of public safety and consumer awareness, it shall be unlawful for any person to use the title "nurse" in reference to himself or herself and in any capacity, except for an individual who is a registered nurse or a licensed vocational nurse, or as otherwise provided in Section 2800.

INTRODUCED: 01/10/13
LAST AMENDED: 06/13/13
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: A-16
LOCATION: Assembly Inactive file
STATUS: 09/11/13: In ASSEMBLY. To Inactive File.

**SB 492 OPTOMETRIST: PRACTICE: LICENSURE
HERNANDEZ E (D)**

SUMMARY: Includes the provision of habilitative optometric services to the practice of optometry. Expands the scope of practice of optometrists who are certified to use therapeutic pharmaceutical agents by authorizing those optometrists to use all federally approved agents for use in treating the eye conditions covered in existing law. Expands the ability of an optometrist to use such agents to diagnose and treat certain diseases. Requires the granting of a certificate for the use of specified advanced procedures.

INTRODUCED: 02/21/13
LAST AMENDED: 08/05/13
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Assembly Business, Professions and Consumer Protection Committee
STATUS: 08/06/13: In ASSEMBLY Committee on BUSINESS, PROFESSIONS & CONSUMER PROTECTION: Not heard.

**SB 532 PROFESSIONS AND VOCATIONS: MILITARY SPOUSES
DE LEON (D)**

SUMMARY: Existing law requires a board to expedite the licensure process for an applicant who holds a current license in another jurisdiction in the same profession or vocation, married to, or in domestic partnership or other legal union with, an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is assigned to a duty station in the state. This bill would change the text in the law from, 'The Board may adopt regulations necessary to administer this section' to 'The Board may adopt any regulations necessary to administer this section.'

INTRODUCED: 02/21/13
DISPOSITION: Failed
LOCATION: Senate
STATUS: 02/03/2014: In SENATE. Returned to Secretary of Senate pursuant to Joint Rule 56.