

# **SUBCOMMITTEE #3: Health & Human Services**

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**Chair, Senator Mark Leno**

**Senator Elaine K. Alquist  
Senator Roy Ashburn**



## **Outcomes from May 6, 2010 Hearing**

Committee Staff: Jennifer Troia

### **Vote-Only Agenda**

**0530 Office of Systems Integration, Health & Human Services Agency (OSI)**

**5180 Department of Social Services (DSS)**

#### **OSI & DSS Issue 1: Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Project**

Approved (3-0) the requested budget decreases contained in the OSI request, as well as the proposed extension of the two limited-term positions at DSS.

**4140 Office of Statewide Health Planning & Development**

#### **OSHPD Issue 1: Staffing for Health Care Data Requests**

Adopted (3-0) place-holder trailer bill language to narrow the provision in SBx5 2 to its intended purpose. As a result, the statute would affect the accessibility of educational, and not health, data. This action is consistent with action recently taken by the Assembly's Subcommittee #1 on Health and Human Services.

#### **OSHPD Issue 2: Mental Health Loan Assumption Program Changes**

Approved (3-0) the requested resources.

**4170 Department of Aging****CDA Issue 1: Senior Community Service Employment Program**

Approved (3-0) the requested federal budget authority.

**4700 Department of Rehabilitation (DOR)****DOR Issue 1: Traumatic Brain Injury Program (TBI)**

Approved (3-0) one permanent position and one two-year limited-term position. This second limited-term position is in place of the permanent position requested by the department and previously approved by the Subcommittee on April 22, 2010. This updated action is consistent with action taken by the Assembly's Budget Subcommittee #1.

**5180 Department of Social Services (DSS)****DSS Issue 1: Positions Related to Recent Legislation**

Voted (3-0) to:

1. Reject the resources requested for AB 762 on the basis that the fiscal analysis on the bill from the administration indicated that the costs were negligible and absorbable by DSS.
2. Reject the resources requested for SB 781 on the basis that the workload is speculative and has not been substantiated to warrant new resources.
3. Approve the resources requested for AB 1325 for one year, in 2010-11, only.

This action is consistent with action taken by the Assembly's Budget Subcommittee #1.

**DSS Issue 2: Promoting Safe & Stable Families (PSSF) - Proposed Trailer Bill Language (TBL)**

Rejected (3-0) the proposed TBL, without prejudice as to its merits. An analysis of existing law and any related clarifications are more appropriate for consideration by the relevant Legislative Policy Committees. This action is consistent with recent action by Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1.

**DSS Issue 3: Proposed Trailer Bill Language (TBL) to Suspend Intensive Treatment Foster Care (ITFC)-Related Provisions of SB 1380**

Rejected (3-0) this proposal.

**DSS Issue 4: Implementation of Federal Fostering Connections to Success & Increasing Adoptions Act (FCSA)**

Adopted (2-1) (Ashburn no) placeholder trailer bill language to conform state law to the FCSA and related budget requests with respect to educational transportation costs, as well as sibling placements, and agreements with tribes or tribal entities. As appropriate and necessary, the placeholder language may also include changes for federal conformity regarding the educational placements of children in foster care.

**DSS Issue 5: Group Home Financial Audits – Proposed Trailer Bill Language (TBL)**

Rejected (2-1) (Ashburn no) the proposed TBL, without prejudice as to its merits. An analysis of existing law and any related clarifications are more appropriate for consideration by the relevant Legislative Policy Committees.

**DSS Issue 6: Child Welfare Services/Web (CWS/Web) Project**

Held open.

**DSS Issue 7: Community Care Licensing (CCL) - Proposed TBL Related to Fingerprinting Fees**

Adopted (3-0) placeholder TBL to suspend the provisions prohibiting the charging of these fees for an additional one or two years, rather than permanently repealing the fee prohibition as proposed by the Administration. This action is consistent with action recently taken by the Assembly's Subcommittee #1 on Health and Human Services.

**DSS Issue 8: CalWORKs – State and County Peer Reviews**

Approved (3-0) the proposed suspension of funding for the peer review process, but rejected the Administration's proposal to transfer Legislative authority to determine the sufficiency of program funding to the Department of Finance. Correspondingly, the placeholder TBL deletes the last sentence of the Administration's proposed TBL.

**DSS Issue 9: Conlan v. Shewry – Positions and Proposed Budget Bill Language (BBL)**

Approved (3-0) the requested positions and BBL.

**Discussion Agenda**

**0530 Office of Systems Integration, Health & Human Services Agency (OSI)**

**5180 Department of Social Services (DSS)**

**OSI & DSS Issue 1: Case Management, Information and Payrolling System Replacement Project (CMIPS II)**

Approved (3-0) the proposed reductions to the CMIPS II budget for 2009-10 and 2010-11. Held open the requested position authority.

**OSI Issue 2: Statewide Fingerprint Imaging System (SFIS) – Proposed Use for In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) Program**

Rejected (2-1) (Ashburn no) the request for \$8.2 million (\$4.4 million GF) in OSI spending authority for 2009-10. Further, reduced the 2009-10 DSS budget for these efforts by any funds that have not yet been spent, and adopted corresponding placeholder trailer bill language to eliminate the requirements to fingerprint recipients at assessment and to include any fingerprints on timecards. Staff was directed to work with DOF to determine the total reduction to DSS's budget.

[Did not take action on the requested conversion of contract positions into state staff.]

**4200 Department of Alcohol & Drug Programs (ADP)****ADP Issue 1: Women and Children's Residential Treatment Services**

Adopted (2-1) (Ashburn no) an amendment to Provision 2 of Item 4200-104-0001 of the 2010-11 Budget Bill to clarify the Legislature's intent regarding overall WCRTS program funding by deleting the word "eight". Restored the 2010-11 appropriation to the original 2009-10 allocation of approximately \$5.8 million for the remaining providers. This action is consistent with action recently taken by the Assembly's Budget Subcommittee #1.

**5175 Department of Child Support Services (DCSS)****DCSS Issue 1: Proposal for Administrative Process to Establish and Modify Orders**

Rejected (3-0) the Spring Finance Letter proposal. Directed the Department to work collaboratively with stakeholders on any future proposals for changes to administrative and judicial processes that may result in better service to families and a more cost-effective child support system.

**DCSS Issue 2: California Child Support Automation System (CCSAS)**

Approved (3-0) the technical adjustment proposed in the Budget Change Proposal to restore the base funding for CCSAS. Held open the requested \$8.2 million (\$2.7 million GF) increase to the base funding. Finally, approved (3-0) the use of new funding of \$4.8 million GF associated with the Spring Finance Letter, and swept all unspent DCSS re-appropriation funds. A net amount of approximately \$1.8 million GF savings should result. Staff was directed to work with DOF and LAO to operationalize this change and make appropriate changes to Budget Bill Language to conform to the action.