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Bill Number	SUMMARY	BILL STATUS
<u>AB 18 (Pan)</u>	Health care coverage: pediatric oral care benefits.	Location: Assembly Appropriations
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: June 24, 2013	Exempts QHPs offered through the Exchange from the Affordable Care Act requirement they include coverage for pediatric oral care if the Exchange offers a stand-alone dental plan as described in Affordable Care Act.	<b>Status:</b> July 3, 2013: In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.
	Mandating stand-alone dental plans offered through the Exchange include coverage of pediatric oral care benefits.	Hearing Date: None set
	(URGENCY)	

<u>AB 50 (Pan)</u>	Health care coverage: Medi-Cal: eligibility.	Location: Assembly Enrollment
Version: As Enrollment: September 10, 2013	<ol> <li>Requires the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to establish a process that allows participating Medi-Cal hospitals to make a preliminary determination of a person's eligibility for Medi-Cal.</li> </ol>	<b>Status:</b> September 10, 2013: Senate amendments concurred in. To Engrossing and Enrolling.
	<ol> <li>Effective January 1, 2015, repeals a requirement that an applicant for, or beneficiary of, Medi-Cal or Aid to Families with Dependent Children programs attend an in-person presentation regarding managed care or fee-for-service (FFS) health care options.</li> </ol>	
	<ol> <li>Effective January 1, 2015, repeals the requirement for DHCS to develop a program to provide information and assistance to enable Medi-Cal beneficiaries to choose a Medi-Cal managed care plan (MCP) to be used pursuant to 2) above.</li> </ol>	
	4) Requires, effective January 1, 2015, the single, standardized application for state health subsidy programs to include questions, that are optional for the applicant, that relate to demographic characteristics, including, but not limited to race, ethnicity, primary language, disability status, sexual orientation, and gender identity or expression.	
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<u>AB 209 (Pan)</u>	Medi-Cal: managed care: quality, accessibility, and utilization.	Location: Senate Inactive File
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: April 9, 2013	Requires DMHC to develop and implement a plan to monitor, evaluate, and improve the quality and accessibility of health care and dental services provided through Medi-Cal managed care. Mandates analysis by race, ethnicity, primary language, and gender to extent permitted by federal law. Requires plan to include minimum and benchmark performance standards and contract requirements and strategies to encourage and reward improvement and to identify and reduce health disparities among populations. Requires DMHC to appoint an advisory committee composed of providers, plans, researchers, advocates, and enrollees for the purpose of making recommendations to the Department and the Legislature in order to improve quality and access in the delivery of Medi-Cal managed care services. These mandates would be implemented only if funding appropriated in budget act.	Status: September 10, 2013: Ordered to inactive file. Hearing Date: None set
AB 219 (Perea)	Health care coverage: cancer treatment.	Location: Assembly Enrollment
<u>Version:</u> As Enrollment: September 10, 2013	Would prohibit an individual or group health care service plan contract or health insurance policy issued, amended, or renewed on or after January 1, 2015, that provides coverage for prescribed, orally administered anticancer medications used to kill or slow the growth of cancerous cells from requiring an enrollee or insured to pay, notwithstanding any deductible, a total amount of copayments and coinsurance that exceeds \$200 for an individual prescription of up to a 30-day supply of a prescribed orally administered anticancer medication. The bill would provide that for a health care service plan contract or health insurance policy that meets a specified federal definition of a high deductible health plan, this prohibition shall only apply once the enrollee's or insured's deductible has been satisfied for the year.	Status: September 10, 2013: Senate amendments concurred in. To Engrossing and Enrolling.
AB 314 (Pan)	Health care coverage: self-funded student plans.	Location: Senate 2 year

<u>Version:</u> As Amended: July 9, 2013	Current federal law, the Affordable Care Act, enacts various health care coverage market reforms that take effect January 1, 2014. This bill would prohibit a plan directly operated by a bona fide public or private college or university that directly provides health care services only to its students, faculty, staff, administration, and their respective dependents from establishing an annual limit or a lifetime limit on the dollar value of essential health benefits, as defined, for any participant or beneficiary. Because a willful violation of these requirements with respect to those plans would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	<b>Status:</b> July 12, 2013: Last location was ED. on 7/9/2013.
AB 361 (Mitchell)	Medi-Cal: Health Homes for Medi-Cal Enrollees and Section 1115 Waiver Demonstration Populations with Chronic and Complex Conditions.	Location: Assembly Enrollment
<u>Version:</u> As Enrollment: September 11, 2013	Would authorize the State Department of Health Care Services, subject to federal approval, to create a health home program for enrollees with chronic conditions, as prescribed, as authorized under federal law. This bill would provide that those provisions shall not be implemented unless federal financial participation is available and additional General Fund moneys are not used to fund the administration and service costs, except as specified.	<b>Status:</b> September 11, 2013: Senate amendments concurred in. To Engrossing and Enrolling.
<u>AB 369 (Pan)</u>	California Health Benefit Exchange: report.	Location: Assembly 2 year
Version: As Introduced: February 14, 2013	Amends exchange enabling statute to change due date of report to Legislature on whether to adopt the option under Affordable Care Act to merge the individual and small employer insurance markets from December 1, 2018 to March 1, 2019.	Status: May 10, 2013: Last location was HEALTH on 2/28/2013
AB 390 (Logue)	Health care.	Location: Assembly 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: March 21, 2013	Would require the Exchange to submit to the Department of Finance and the Legislative Analyst's Office detailed performance-based budget of proposed expenditures and estimated revenues for the ensuing fiscal year.	<b>Status:</b> May 3, 2013: Last location was HEALTH on 4/1/2013.
<u>AB 411_(Pan)</u>	Medi-Cal: performance measures.	Location: Assembly Enrollment

Version: As Enrollment: September 12, 2013	Would require Medi-Cal managed care plans to analyze their Healthcare Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS) measures or their External Accountability Set (EAS) performance measure equivalent, by geographic region, race, ethnicity, primary language, and as information is identified, by sexual orientation and gender, and to implement strategies to reduce identified disparities between members from these categories. The bill would also require these data be reported to the Department of Health Care Services annually and be made available to the public via the DHCS Internet Web site. This bill would further require all Medi-Cal managed care plans to link individual level data collected as a part of analyzing their HEDIS measures, or their EAS performance measure equivalent, to personal identifiers and to submit that data to DHCS annually.	Status: September 12, 2013: In Assembly. Concurrence in Senate amendments pending. Senate amendments concurred in. To Engrossing and Enrolling.
AB 422 (Nazarian) Version: As Enrolled: September 12, 2013	School lunch program applications: health care notice. Would require School Lunch Program application packets include notice advising applicants may be eligible for reduced-cost, comprehensive health care coverage through the California Health Benefit Exchange (including Web site and phone number) or no-cost coverage through Medi-Cal.	Location: Assembly Enrollment Status: September 6, 2013: Senate amendments concurred in. To Engrossing and Enrolling.
AB 460 (Ammiano) Version: As Enrollment: September 9, 2013	Health care coverage: infertility. Would require that the coverage for the treatment of infertility be offered and, if purchased, provided without discrimination on the basis of age, ancestry, color, disability, domestic partner status, gender, gender expression, gender identity, genetic information, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex, or sexual orientation. Because a willful violation of the bill's provisions by a health care service plan would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Location: Assembly Enrolled Status: September 9, 2013: Enrolled and presented to the Governor.
AB 505 (Nazarian)	Medi-Cal: managed care: language assistance services.	Location: Senate Inactive File

Version: As Amended: June 19, 2013	Mandates DHCS require all managed care plans contracting with the Department to provide Medi-Cal services to provide language assistance services to limited- English-proficient (LEP) enrollees, as specified.	Status: August 12, 2013: Ordered to inactive file. Hearing Date: None set
AB 578 (Dickinson)	Health care.	Location: Senate 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: May 24, 2013	Would require that the Director of the Department of Managed Care or Insurance Commissioner publish a notice, upon receiving an application from a first time health care service plan applicant or health insurer applicant, that would include information regarding the applicant and nature of the application, as specified. The bill would also require the departments to allow comments to be submitted through the departments' Internet Web sites. The bill would require the director or commissioner to solicit, review, and consider public comments, as specified, and hold at least one public hearing if comments are received, prior to approving an application.	<b>Status:</b> July 12, 2013: Last location was HEALTH on 6/13/2013.
AB 596 (Brown)	Health care services grants.	Location: Assembly 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Introduced: February 20, 2013	Spot bill that would amend existing law governing the California Health Facilities Authority grants program for projects designed to demonstrate specified new or enhanced cost-effective methods of delivering quality health care services improving access to quality health care for vulnerable populations or communities to enhance health outcomes and preventive services.	<b>Status:</b> May 10, 2013: Last location was PRINT on 2/20/2013
AB 617 (Nazarian)	California Health Benefit Exchange: appeals.	Location: Senate 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: August 13, 2013	Would require the Exchange to contract with the Department of Social Services to serve as the Exchange appeals entity to hear appeals of eligibility determinations or redeterminations for individual market applicants. Would establish an appeals process for initial eligibility determinations and redeterminations including ap informal resolution process, as specified	Status: August 30, 2013: Last location was APPR. on 8/13/2013
	redetermination, including an informal resolution process, as specified, establishing procedures and timelines for hearings with the appeals entity, and notice provisions. The bill would also establish continuing eligibility for individuals during the appeals process.	
<u>AB 676 (Fox)</u>	Health care coverage: postdischarge care needs.	Location: Assembly 2 year

<u>Version:</u> As Amended: April 10, 2013	Would prohibit health care service plans, health insurers, and the Department of Health Care Services or Medi-Cal managed care plans, as applicable, from causing an enrollee, insured, or beneficiary to remain in a general acute care hospital or an acute psychiatric hospital if the attending physician on the medical staff has determined that the individual no longer requires inpatient hospital care. The bill would require the health care service plan, health insurer, or the State Department of Health Care Services or Medi-Cal managed care plan to perform specified duties within 24 hours of receipt of notice of the discharge. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Status: May 24, 2013: Last location was APPR. on 4/17/2013.
<u>AB 710 (Pan)</u>	California Health Benefit Exchange: multiemployer plans.	Location: Assembly 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: March 11, 2013	Current law creates the continuously appropriated California Health Trust Fund, which consists of charges on the qualified health plans offered by carriers to support the development, operations, and prudent cash management of the California Health Benefit Exchange. This bill would, to the extent permitted by federal law, require the board to also facilitate the purchase of qualified health plans through the Exchange by multiemployer plans, as defined, no later than July 1, 2014. By expanding the purpose for which moneys in the California Health Trust Fund may be used, this bill would make an appropriation.	<b>Status:</b> May 24, 2013: Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/16/2013.
AB 720 (Skinner)	Inmates: health care enrollment.	Location: Assembly Enrollment
<u>Version:</u> As Enrollment: September 11, 2013	Would require counties to assist jail inmates enroll in the Medi-Cal program available in that county 30 days before scheduled release. For inmates ineligible for federal Medi-Cal benefits and who do not have health care insurance, to supply appropriate information regarding the California Health Benefit Exchange.	Status: September 11, 2013: In Assembly. Concurrence in Senate amendments pending. May be considered on or after September 13. Senate amendments concurred in. To Engrossing and Enrolling.

AB 771 (Jones)	Public health: wellness programs.	Location: Assembly 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: March 19, 2013	<ul> <li>Would require California HHS to:</li> <li>Apply to the federal HHS Department to allow California to be a participating pilot state in the wellness program demonstration project in the individual market per Affordable Care Act Section 1201(I).</li> <li>Petition HHS to amend federal regulations to allow California employers to offer employees rewards of up to 50 percent of the cost of health care coverage for participating in a wellness program meeting Affordable Care Act requirements.</li> </ul>	<b>Status:</b> May 3, 2013: Last location was HEALTH on 3/20/2013
AB 880 (Gomez)	Medi-Cal program costs: large employer responsibility.	Location: Assembly Inactive File
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: June 24, 2013	Would, commencing January 1, 2015, require a large employer, as defined, to pay the Employment Development Department an employer responsibility penalty for each covered employee, as defined, enrolled in Medi-Cal based on the average cost of employee-only coverage provided by large employers to their employees, including both the employer's and employee's share of the premiums, as specified. The bill would assess interest of 10% per annum on employer responsibility penalties not paid on or before the date payment is due, as specified, and would require a large employer subject to an employer responsibility penalty to pay a penalty, as specified, for any employer responsibility penalty payment that is more than 60 days overdue. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	<ul><li>Status: July 1, 2013: Reconsideration granted. Ordered to inactive file at request of author.</li><li>Hearing Date: None set</li></ul>
AB 889 (Frazier)	Health care coverage: prescription drugs.	Location: Senate 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: May 2, 2013	Would authorize health care service plans and health insurers to require step therapy, as defined, when more than one drug is appropriate for the treatment of a medical condition, subject to specified requirements. The bill would require a plan or insurer that requires step therapy to have an expeditious process in place to authorize exceptions to step therapy when medically necessary and to conform effectively and efficiently with continuity of care requirements. The bill would specify that these provisions would not apply to accident-only, specified disease, hospital indemnity, Medicare supplement, dental-only, or vision-only contracts or policies. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	<b>Status:</b> August 30, 2013: Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/13/2013.

AB 912 (Quirk-Silva)	Health care coverage: fertility preservation.	Location: Assembly Enrollment
<u>Version:</u> As Enrollment: September 10, 2013	Would require a health care service plan and a health insurer to provide, on a large group basis, coverage for medically necessary expenses for standard fertility preservation services when a necessary medical treatment may directly or indirectly cause iatrogenic infertility to an enrollee or insured. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Status: September 10, 2013: Senate amendments concurred in. To Engrossing and Enrolling.
AB 1018 (Conway)	Income taxes: deduction: medical expenses.	Location: Assembly Revenue and Taxation
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: March 21, 2013	Creates income tax deduction for specified medical expenses including preventative care as term is used in Section 223(c)(2)(C) of the Internal Revenue Code, relating to high deductible health plans. (This IRC section pertains to health savings accounts and provides that plans that do not provide a deductible for preventive care may be treated as high deductible plans.) <b>Note: Would take effect immediately as tax levy.</b>	<b>Status:</b> May 6, 2013: In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author. <b>Hearing Date:</b> None set
AB 1087 (Torres)	Medi-Cal: California's Bridge to Reform Demonstration.	Location: Assembly 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Introduced: February 22, 2013	Spot bill amending Section Welfare and Institutions Code Section 14180 regarding Medi-Cal demonstration projects.	Status: May 10, 2013: Last location was PRINT on 2/22/2013.
AB 1129 (Gaines, Beth)	Income tax: health savings accounts.	<b>Location:</b> Assembly Revenue and Taxation
<u>Version:</u> As Introduced: February 22, 2013	Would conform California law to federal law governing health savings accounts for tax years beginning Jan. 1, 2013.	<b>Status:</b> May 13, 2013: In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to REV. & TAX. suspense file. In committee: Set, first hearing. Held under submission. <b>Hearing Date:</b> None set

<u>AB 1180 (Pan)</u>	Health care coverage: federally eligible defined individuals: conversion or continuation of coverage.	Location: Assembly Enrollment
Version: As Enrollment: September 10, 2013	Existing laws that provide for the licensure and regulation of health care service plans by the Department of Managed Health Care and make a willful violation of the act a crime; that provide for the regulation of health insurers by the Insurance Commissioner; that require a health care service plan or a health insurer offering individual plan contracts or individual insurance policies to fairly and affirmatively offer, market, and sell certain individual contracts and policies to all federally eligible defined individuals, as defined, in each service area in which the plan or insurer provides or arranges for the provision of health care services; and that prohibit the premium for those policies and contracts from exceeding the premium paid by a subscriber of the California Major Risk Medical Insurance Program who is of the same age and resides in the same geographic region as the federally eligible defined individual, as specified would be applicable only to individual grandfathered health plans, as defined, previously issued to federally eligible defined individuals, unless and until specified provisions of the Affordable Care Act are amended or repealed, as specified. Would require a plan or insurer to notify persons enrolled in an individual health benefit plan or insurance policy that is not grandfathered with 60 day's notice prior to the renewal date. (URGENCY)	Status: September 10, 2013: Senate amendments concurred in. To Engrossing and Enrolling.
AB 1233 (Chesbro)	Medi-Cal: Administrative Claiming process.	Location: Chaptered
Chaptered: September 9, 2013	Would authorize a Native American Indian tribe, a tribal organization, or a subgroup of a Native American Indian tribe or tribal organization to claim, as a Medi-Cal Administrative Activity, facilitating Medi-Cal applications, which includes, but is not limited to, using the California Healthcare Eligibility, Enrollment, and Retention System. This bill contains other related provisions.	<b>Status:</b> September 9, 2013: Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 306, Statutes of 2013.

<u>AB 1263 (John A.</u> <u>Pérez)</u>	Medi-Cal: CommuniCal.	Location: Assembly Enrollment
<u>Version:</u> As Enrollment: September 11, 2013	Mandates DHCS establish the Medi-Cal Patient-Centered Communication program (CommuniCal), to be administered by a 3rd-party administrator, to, commencing July 1, 2014, provide and reimburse for medical interpretation services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries who are limited English proficient (LEP).	Status: September 11, 2013: In Assembly. Concurrence in Senate amendments pending. May be considered on or after September 13. Senate amendments concurred in. To Engrossing and Enrolling.
AB 1428 (Conway)	California Health Benefit Exchange: employees and contractors.	Location: Assembly Enrollment
<u>Version:</u> As Enrolled: September 12, 2013	<ul> <li>Would require all employees, prospective employees, contractors, subcontractors, and vendors, who facilitate enrollment of persons in a qualified health plan in the Exchange and who, in the course and scope of their employment, have access to the financial or medical information of enrollees or potential enrollees, to be fingerprinted, at appropriate locations determined by the board, for the purpose of obtaining criminal history information.</li> <li>Would prohibit a person who has been convicted of felony crimes of dishonesty or breach of trust in a state or federal jurisdiction or other specified crimes from being hired by or contracting with the Exchange for the purpose of facilitating enrollment of persons in a qualified health plan in the Exchange or for any position where, in the course and scope of his or her employment, he or she will have access to the financial or medical information of enrollees or potential enrollees of the Exchange.</li> <li>Would also require an applicant to notify the Exchange of any prescribed misdemeanor or felony convictions, filing of charges, or administrative actions.</li> <li>(URGENCY)</li> <li>Fingerprinting bill: companion to ABX1 3 (Conway) and SBX1 4 (Emmerson)</li> </ul>	Status: September 6, 2013: Senate amendments concurred in. To Engrossing and Enrolling.

ABX1 1 (John A. <u>Pérez)</u>	Medi-Cal: eligibility.	Location: Chaptered
Chaptered: June 27, 2013	<ul> <li>States legislative intent to expand Medi-Cal eligibility for individuals with incomes below 133 percent of the federal poverty level, so that millions of uninsured Californians can receive health care coverage.</li> <li>Adds Affordable Care Act Essential Health Benefits to scheduled Medi-Cal benefits effective January 1, 2014.</li> <li>Requires all state health subsidy programs to accept self-attestation regarding age, date of birth, family size, household income, state residence, pregnancy, and any other applicable criteria needed to determine the eligibility of an applicant or recipient, to the extent permitted by state and federal law.</li> <li>Enacts temporary changes to Medi-Cal eligibility and enrollment rules effective until January 1, 2014.</li> <li>NOTE: This bill is the companion measure to SBX1 1 (Hernandez, Steinberg) introduced in the First Extraordinary Session. Similar to SB 28 (Hernandez, Steinberg) introduced in regular session.</li> </ul>	Status: June 27, 2013: Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 3, Statutes of 2013-14 First Extraordinary Session.
ABX1 2 (Pan)	Health care coverage.	Location: Chaptered
Chaptered: May 9, 2013	This omnibus measure contains various provisions affecting the individual and small group markets. The bill was joined to SBX1-2 (Hernandez).	<b>Status:</b> May 9, 2013: Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 1, Statutes of 2013-14 First Extraordinary Session.

ABX1 3 (Conway)	California Health Benefit Exchange: employees and contractors.	Location: Assembly Dead
Version: As Introduced: April 15, 2013	Requires all employees, prospective employees, contractors, subcontractors, and vendors, who facilitate enrollment of persons in a qualified health plan in the Exchange and who, in the course and scope of their employment, have access to the financial or medical information of enrollees or potential enrollees, to be fingerprinted, at appropriate locations determined by the board, for the purpose of obtaining criminal history information. Prohibits a person who has been convicted of felony crimes of dishonesty or breach of trust in a state or federal jurisdiction or other specified crimes from being hired by or contracting with the Exchange. Requires an applicant to notify the Exchange of any prescribed misdemeanor or felony convictions, filing of charges, or administrative actions. (URGENCY) Fingerprinting bill: companion to AB 1428 (Conway) and SBX1 4 Emmerson)	Status: August 5, 2013: Final adjournment: First Extraordinary Session on 8/5/2013. Last location was DEAD on 7/1/2013.
ABX1 4 (Wilk)	Health care.	Location: Assembly Dead
ABX1 4 (Wilk) Version: As Introduced: May 16, 2013	Health care. Would require that individuals receiving coverage through the California Health Benefit Exchange and who are receiving a tax credit pursuant to the Affordable Care Act would be subject to the required grace period and provisions of coverage during the grace period, if any, as provided by Affordable Care Act. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Location: Assembly Dead Status: August 5, 2013: Final adjournment: First Extraordinary Session on 8/5/2013. Last location was DEAD on 7/1/2013.
Version: As Introduced:	Would require that individuals receiving coverage through the California Health Benefit Exchange and who are receiving a tax credit pursuant to the Affordable Care Act would be subject to the required grace period and provisions of coverage during the grace period, if any, as provided by Affordable Care Act. This bill	<b>Status:</b> August 5, 2013: Final adjournment: First Extraordinary Session on 8/5/2013. Last location was DEAD on 7/1/2013.

SB 18 (Hernandez)	California Health Benefits Review Program: health insurance.	Location: Assembly 2 year
Version: As Amended: April 17, 2013	Would include essential health benefits (EHB) and the impact on the California Health Benefit Exchange in the areas to be reported on by the California Health Benefits Review Program established by the University of California.	<b>Status:</b> August 16, 2013: Last location was HEALTH on 5/20/2013.
SB 22 (Beall)	Health care coverage: mental health parity.	Location: Assembly 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: July 2, 2013	Requires every health care plan, contractor, and health insurer to submit annual report to the DMHC or Department of Insurance certifying compliance with federal and state law providing parity of benefits for mental health and addiction treatment and survey enrollees effective July 1, 2014. Would require reports to be a public record available upon request and to be published on the Department's Internet Web site. Would prohibit the inclusion of any information that may individually identify enrollees or insureds in the reports submitted to the respective departments.	<b>Status:</b> August 30, 2013: Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/14/2013.
SB 28 (Hernandez)	California Health Benefit Exchange.	Location: Senate Enrollment
<u>Version:</u> As Enrollment: September 11, 2013	Would require MRMIB to provide the Exchange, or its designee, with specified information of subscribers and applicants of MRMIP in order to assist the Exchange in conducting outreach to those subscribers and applicants. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Status: September 11, 2013: Assembly amendments concurred in. Ordered to engrossing and enrolling.
SB 126 (Steinberg)	Health care coverage: pervasive developmental disorder or autism.	Location: Senate Enrolled

SB 138 (Hernandez)	Confidentiality of medical information.	Location: Senate Enrolled
<u>Version:</u> As Enrollment: September 12, 2013	Would declare the intent of the Legislature to incorporate HIPAA standards into state law and to clarify standards for protecting the confidentiality of medical information in insurance transactions. The bill would define additional terms in connection with maintaining the confidentiality of this information, including a "confidential communications request" which an insured, or a subscriber or enrollee under a health care service plan, may submit for the purpose of specifying the method for transmitting medical information communications. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	<b>Status:</b> September 12, 2013: Enrolled and presented to the Governor.
SB 161 (Hernandez)	Stop-loss insurance coverage.	Location: Senate Enrolled
<u>Version:</u> As Enrollment: September 5, 2013	<ul> <li>Would prohibit a stop-loss insurer from excluding any employee or dependent on the basis of actual or expected health status-related factors, as specified.</li> <li>Would require a stop-loss insurer to renew, at the option of the small employer, all stop-loss insurance policies.</li> <li>Bars stop-loss insurance issued on or after January 1, 2014, to a small employer from containing any of the following provisions: <ul> <li>An individual attachment point for a policy year that is less than \$65,000.</li> <li>An aggregate attachment point for a policy year that is less than the greater of one of the following:</li> <li>o \$13,000 times the total number of covered employees and dependents.</li> <li>o \$65,000.</li> <li>o A provision for direct coverage of an employee or dependent of an employee</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Status: September 5, 2013: Enrolled and presented to the Governor.

SB 189 (Monning)	Health care coverage: wellness programs.	Location: Senate 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: May 8, 2013	Would, until January 1, 2020, prohibit a health care service plan or health insurer from offering a wellness program in connection with a group health care service plan contract or group health insurance policy, or offering an incentive or reward under a group health care service plan contract or group health insurance policy, based on adherence to a wellness program, unless specified requirements are satisfied. The bill would specify that it does not apply to wellness programs established prior to its enactment provided that those programs comply with all other applicable laws, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Status: May 24, 2013: Last location was APPR. on 5/20/2013.
<u>SB 249 (Leno)</u>	Public health: health records: confidentiality.	Location: Senate Enrolled
<u>Version:</u> As Enrollment: September 12, 2013	Would require laboratories, upon request by the department, to report cases of HIV infection by name directly to the department in addition to reports to the local health officer. Would authorize local public health agency staff to further disclose acquired or	<b>Status:</b> September 12, 2013: Enrolled and presented to the Governor.
	developed information to the HIV-positive person who is the subject of the record or the health care provider who provides his or her HIV care, for that purpose.	
	Would authorize the State Department of Public Health, subject to specified provisions, to share with qualified entities, as defined, health records involving the diagnosis, care, and treatment of HIV or AIDS related to a beneficiary enrolled in federal Ryan White Act-funded programs who may be eligible for services under the Affordable Care Act, as specified.	
<u>SB 320 (Beall)</u>	Health care coverage: acquired brain injury.	Location: Senate 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: April 3, 2013	Would bar health plans from denying coverage for medically necessary medical or rehabilitation treatment for an acquired brain injury at health care facilities within a plan's or insurer's network effective January 1, 2014.	<b>Status:</b> May 24, 2013: Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/23/2013

SB 332 (Emmerson)	California Health Benefit Exchange: records.	Location: Senate Enrolled
<u>Version:</u> As Enrollment: September 12, 2013	Would make open to public inspection the impressions, opinions, recommendations, meeting minutes, research, work product, theories, or strategy of the board governing the Exchange or its staff, or records that provide instructions, advice, or training to employees. The bill would provide that the one year exemption from disclosure for contracts with participating carriers apply to those contracts entered into on or after the effective date of the bill. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	<b>Status:</b> September 12, 2013: Enrolled and presented to the Governor.
<u>SB 351 (Hernandez)</u>	Health care coverage: hospital billing.	Location: Senate 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: April 23, 2013	<ul> <li>Would, until January 1, 2019, require a diagnosis and billing outlier hospital, as defined, and a hospital that is part of a diagnosis and billing outlier health system, as defined, to notify the patient and all payers of that status and that the hospital's total billed charges may be subject to adjustment.</li> <li>Would require the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, until January 1, 2019, to assign each hospital, as defined, a separate diagnosis and billing indicator rate for 4 specified disorders and to calculate a hospital's diagnosis and billing indicator rate for each of those disorders.</li> <li>Would require the office to post specified information on its Internet Web site by January 15, 2014.</li> </ul>	<b>Status:</b> May 24, 2013: Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/23/2013.
<u>SB 353 (Lieu)</u>	Health care coverage: language assistance.	Location: Senate Enrollment
<u>Version:</u> As Enrolled: September 12, 2013	Would require health plans and health insurers that advertise or market in language other than English that do not meet enrollment thresholds specified in current law to provide specified communications and documents in that language, using trained and qualified translators. Additionally, the bill would require health insurers to file advertisements with the Department of Insurance (CDI) at least 30 days before use, subject to CDI approval.	<b>Status:</b> September 10, 2013: Assembly amendments concurred in. Ordered to engrossing and enrolling.

SB 456 (Padilla)	Health care coverage.	Location: Senate 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Introduced: February 21, 2013	Spot bill amending Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act of 1975.	<b>Status:</b> May 10, 2013: Last location was RLS. on 3/11/2013
		Hearing Date: None set
SB 494 (Monning)	Health care providers.	Location: Senate Enrollment
Version: As Enrollment: September 12, 2013	In the case of managed care and insurance plans that assign up to 2,000 enrollees or insureds to each full-time equivalent primary care physician, would authorize the assignment of an additional 1,750 enrollees or insureds, as	Status: September 12, 2013: Assembly amendments concurred in.
	specified, to a primary care physician if that physician supervises one or more nonphysician medical practitioners.	Ordered to engrossing and enrolling.
	Relative to Medi-Cal, would add pediatrician, physician, nonphysician medical practitioner to the definition of primary care provider and define a nonphysician medical practitioner as a physician assistant performing services under physician supervision, as specified, or as a nurse practitioner performing services in collaboration with a physician.	
SB 508 (Hernandez)	Health disparity report.	Location: Senate 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Introduced: February 21, 2013	Mandates the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development and the Health and Human Services Agency develop a health disparity report based upon the inpatient hospital discharge data and provide to the Legislature by January 1, 2016.	<b>Status:</b> May 3, 2013: Last location was HEALTH on 3/11/2013.
	The bill would require the report to focus on eight medical conditions consistent with the Healthy People 2020 priorities such as cardiovascular disease and breast cancer.	

SB 509 (DeSaulnier)	California Health Benefit Exchange: background checks.	Location: Chaptered
Chaptered: June 18, 2013	This bill would require the board to submit to the Department of Justice, fingerprint images and related information of employees, prospective employees, contractors, subcontractors, volunteers, or vendors whose duties include or would include access to specified information for the purposes of obtaining prescribed criminal history information. The bill would require the board to require any services contract, interagency agreement, or public entity agreement, that includes or would include access to those types of information to include a provision requiring the contractor to agree to criminal background checks on its employees, contractors, agents, and subcontractors who will have access to that information as part of their services contract, interagency agreement, or public entity agreement. The bill would require the department to forward to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) requests for federal summary criminal history information, and would require the department to review the information returned from the FBI and compile and disseminate a response to the board. The bill would require the department to charge a fee sufficient to cover the costs of processing requests pursuant to the bill.	
SB 639 (Hernandez)	Health care coverage.	Location: Senate Enrollment
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: September 6, 2013	The Affordable Care Act establishes annual limits on deductibles for employer- sponsored plans and defines bronze, silver, gold, and platinum levels of coverage for the nongrandfathered individual and small group markets. This bill would prohibit the deductible under a small employer health care service plan contract or health insurance policy offered, sold, or renewed on or after January 1, 2014, from exceeding \$2,000 in the case of a plan contract or policy covering a single individual, or \$4,000 in all other cases. Allows a carrier at least each calendar year, and no more frequently than each calendar quarter to establish an index rate for the small employer market based on the total combined claims costs for providing essential health benefits (EHB) within the single risk pool required under the Affordable Care Act. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	

SB 703 (Hernandez)	<u>Medi-Cal.</u>	Location: Senate 2 year
Version: As Introduced: February 22, 2013	Spot bill stating legislative intent to enact legislation that would make necessary improvements to the Medi-Cal program.	Status: May 10, 2013: Last location was RLS. on 3/11/2013.
SB 780 (Jackson)	Health care coverage.	Location: Senate 2 year
<u>Version:</u> As Amended: May 8, 2013	Would delete the requirements with regard to preferred provider organizations. The bill would change the timing of the 75-day filing to 45 days prior to the termination date for a contract between a health care service plan that is not a health maintenance organization and a provider group or general acute care hospital, and would not prohibit the plan from sending the notice to the enrollees prior to the filing being reviewed and approved by the Department of Managed Health Care. The bill would distinguish between enrollees of an assigned group provider and enrollees of an unassigned group provider for purposes of whether the filing is required to be submitted to the department. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Status: May 24, 2013: Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/23/2013
<u>SB 800 (Lara)</u>	Health care coverage programs: transition.	Location: Senate Enrollment
<u>Version:</u> As Enrollment: September 12, 2013	Would require the State Department of Health Care Services to provide the Exchange with specified contact information of individuals who are not enrolled in Medi-Cal but who are the parents or caretakers of children enrolled in the Healthy Families Program or the Medi-Cal program due to a transition from the Healthy Families Program, as specified, to assist the Exchange to conduct outreach to individuals potentially eligible for a state health subsidy program, as defined.	Status: September 12, 2013: Assembly amendments concurred in. Ordered to engrossing and enrolling.

SBX1 1 (Hernandez)	Medi-Cal: eligibility.	Location: Chaptered
Chaptered: June 27, 2013	States legislative intent to expand Medi-Cal eligibility for individuals with incomes below 133 percent of the federal poverty level, so that millions of uninsured Californians can receive health care coverage.	<b>Status:</b> June 27, 2013: Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 4, Statutes of 2013-14 First Extraordinary Session.
	Adds Affordable Care Act essential health benefits (EHB) to scheduled Medi-Cal benefits effective January 1, 2014.	
	Requires all state health subsidy programs to accept self-attestation regarding age, date of birth, family size, household income, state residence, pregnancy, and any other applicable criteria needed to determine the eligibility of an applicant or recipient, to the extent permitted by state and federal law.	
	Enacts temporary changes to Medi-Cal eligibility and enrollment rules effective until January 1, 2014.	
	NOTE: This bill is the companion measure to ABX1 1 (Perez) introduced in the First Extraordinary Session. Similar to SB 28 (Hernandez, Steinberg) introduced in regular session.	
SBX1 2 (Hernandez)	Health care coverage.	Location: Chaptered
Chaptered: May 9, 2013	This omnibus measure contains various provisions affecting the individual and small group markets. The bill was extensively amended March 7, 2013 and joined to ABX1-2 (Pan).	<b>Status:</b> May 9, 2013: Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 2, Statutes of 2013-14 First Extraordinary Session.

SBX1 3 (Hernandez)	Health care coverage: bridge plan.	Location: Chaptered
Chaptered: July 11, 2013	Defines Bridge Plan individual product and states legislative intent to extent possible it will be lowest cost silver tier plan in rating region. Subject to federal approval, authorizes the Exchange to certify Bridge Plans as QHPs and offer Bridge Plans to Exchange-eligible individuals with MAGI not exceeding 200% of FPL. Exempts Bridge Plans from metal tier level offer requirements and allows plan issuers to offer only a Bridge Plan in the Exchange. Defines Bridge Plan certification requirements and eligible enrollees.	<b>Status:</b> July 11, 2013: Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 5, Statutes of 2013-14 First Extraordinary Session.
SBX1 4 (Emmerson)	California Health Benefit Exchange: employees and contractors.	Location: Senate Dead
<u>Version:</u> As Introduced: April 15, 2013	Requires all employees, prospective employees, contractors, subcontractors, and vendors, who facilitate enrollment of persons in a qualified health plan in the Exchange and who, in the course and scope of their employment, have access to the financial or medical information of enrollees or potential enrollees, to be fingerprinted, at appropriate locations determined by the board, for the purpose of obtaining criminal history information. Prohibits a person who has been convicted of felony crimes of dishonesty or breach of trust in a state or federal jurisdiction or other specified crimes from being hired by or contracting with the Exchange. Requires an applicant to notify the Exchange of any prescribed misdemeanor or felony convictions, filing of charges, or administrative actions. <b>Fingerprinting bill: companion to AB 1428 (Conway) and ABX1 3 (Conway)</b>	Status: August 5, 2013: Final adjournment: First Extraordinary Session on 8/5/2013. Last location was HEALTH on 4/15/2013.