



2006 Bill List

Bill No. Author	Title	Position	Staff Rec	Summary/Effects	Status
AB 469 Yee	School food: nutrition guidelines.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would also require the department to develop and maintain those guidelines for all food and beverages served on public school campuses.	02/02/2006-Referred to Coms. on HEALTH and ED.
AB 569 Garcia	Pupil nutrition: food service.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would authorize a school district to revoke a contract for food service entered into between a school district and a commercial food vendor after January 1, 2007, if the commercial food vendor fails to provide the nutritional information, as specified. The bill would prohibit a school district that elects to contract with a commercial food vendor from entering into a contract with the vendor, unless the vendor agrees to provide the nutritional information required by the bill. These provisions would not apply to (1) a food vendor that provides meal service pursuant to a state or federally funded meal program ; (2) a food vendor that provides a food or beverage item to a student, teacher, school group, or parent group for the purpose of resale or other distribution by that person or group through a fundraiser conducted off-campus; or (3) a commercial food vendor that supplies a direct seller with the proper nutritional information materials to comply with the requirements of the bill .	01/18/2006-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on APPR.
AB 774 Chan	Hospitals: self-pay policies.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would require each hospital to develop a policy specifying how the hospital will determine financial liability for services rendered to both financially qualified patients and self-pay patients, as defined. The bill would require the policy to include a section addressing charity care patients that specifies the financial criteria and the procedure used by the hospital to determine whether a patient is eligible for charity care. The bill would require each hospital to perform various functions in connection with the hospital self-pay policy, including notifying patients of the policy, and attempting to determine the availability of private or public health insurance coverage for each patient. The bill would also specify billing and collection procedures to be followed by a hospital, its assignee, collection agency, or billing service.	06/29/2005-In committee: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.
AB 925	Insurance:	WATCH	Staff	Would define "community development investments" to mean specified	02/09/2006-Referred

Ridley-Thomas	community investments.		Rec: WATCH	investments that have as their primary purpose community development benefiting California low-income or moderate-income individuals or communities, and would require each California insurer to provide information biennially to the Insurance Commissioner on its community development investments in California and require the commissioner to provide certain information on these investments to the public. This bill contains other related provisions.	to Com. on B., F. & I.
AB 977 Nava	Health care review process.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would require a health care service plan and a health insurer, except as specified, to apply, respectively, to the Director of the DMHC and the Insurance Commissioner for approval to market or offer for sale a plan or policy that includes any deductible, copayment, other out-of-pocket cost, or limitation on benefits or coverage . The bill would require the director and commissioner to develop and adopt by January 1, 2007, regulations concerning review of those terms. The bill would require the director and commissioner to obtain public comment before deciding on applications with deductibles, copayments, or other limitations on benefits or coverage that are not substantially similar to those previously approved by their respective departments . The bill would require the director and commissioner to develop a schedule and process to also review existing plan contracts and policies, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	02/09/2006-Referred to Coms. on B., F. & I. and HEALTH
AB 1111 Frommer	Health care coverage.	WATCH	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would create the California Healthy Kids Fund in the State Treasury, where public and private contributions would be deposited. The bill would require the fund to be used, upon appropriation, by the State Department of Health Services for the purpose of implementing and providing health coverage pursuant to the California Healthy Kids Insurance Program and providing transitional assistance. These provisions would not become operative unless a statute is enacted that creates the California Healthy Kids Insurance Program.	02/09/2006-Referred to Com. on HEALTH.
AB 1381 Nunez	School instructional gardens: pupil nutrition.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would align the program with the statewide environmental education program and would include an agricultural education component in the program . This bill would provide that educational agencies interested in participating in the Instructional School Gardens Program apply to the board for funding. This bill authorizes the board to establish an advisory group involving other agencies and groups with expertise in instructional school gardens, to provide technical assistance,	02/09/2006-Referred to Coms. on ED. and RLS.

				resources, in-kind support, site visits, and other related forms of support.	
AB 1779 Karnette	Elementary schools: physical education.	WATCH	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would require that the curriculum used in the physical education classes for grades 1 to 8, inclusive, shall be approved by the Curriculum Development and Supplemental Materials Commission of the State Board of Education.	01/19/2006-Referred to Com. on ED.
AB 1790 Cohn	California Fresh Start Pilot Program.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would replace references to "nutritious" fruits and vegetables with references to "fresh" fruits and vegetables in the above-described provisions of existing law.	01/23/2006-Referred to Coms. on ED. and AGRI.
AB 1840 Horton, Jerome	Health care: employer coverage: disclosure.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would require the department and the board to collaborate to, on or before March 15, 2007, transmit to the Legislature a report identifying all employers who employ 25 or more persons who are beneficiaries or who support beneficiaries of these programs. The bill would also require the department and the board to make the report available to the public as provided in the bill.	01/26/2006-Referred to Com. on HEALTH. 03/14/06 1:30 p.m. - Room 4202 ASM HEALTH
AB 1845 Chavez	Physical education.	WATCH	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would delete the authority of a school district and office of county Superintendent of schools to grant exemptions to PE and would make conforming changes.	01/26/2006-Referred to Com. on ED.
AB 1851 Coto	Healthy Families Program: application assistance.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would delete the January 1, 2006, inoperative date and thereby authorize a participating health, dental, or vision plan to provide application assistance directly to an applicant under those conditions, including when the assistance is provided upon referral from a government agency, school, or school district.	01/26/2006-Referred to Com. on HEALTH. 03/14/06 1:30 p.m. - Room 4202 ASM HEALTH
AB 1888 Dymally	University of California: obesity, diabetes, and related illness center.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would request that the Regents of the University of California establish and administer an Institute for the Study of the Phenomenon of Obesity and Diabetes Experimental Research (PODER) at the University of California, Irvine, in coordination with the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science, and establish and administer one or more clinics that are affiliated with the PODER Institute to focus on individuals or groups who suffer from obesity and diabetes, as defined..	02/09/2006-Referred to Coms. on HEALTH and HIGHER ED. 03/21/06 1:30 p.m. - Room 4202 ASM HEALTH
AB 1896 Coto	High schools: curriculum requirements.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would prescribe a college preparatory course of study and a career technical course of study that would contain specific courses in which a pupil would be enrolled. This bill also would allow a pupil and his or her	02/09/2006-Referred to Com. on ED.

				parent or legal guardian to request in writing that the pupil move from any one course of study to another course of study throughout the enrollment of the pupil in grades 9 to 12, inclusive and would provide that the school grant that request.	
AB 1916 Garcia	Pupil nutrition: school meals.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would require each schoolsite at which 85% or more of the enrolled pupils have applied for and qualify for free or reduced-price school meals to participate in the federal National School Lunch Program and the federal School Breakfast Program using the eligibility determination alternative known as Provision 2. The bill would require a school district or a county office of education that maintains schoolsites at which 85% or more of the enrolled pupils qualify for free or reduced-price school meals and that includes schoolsites at which 70 to 85% of the enrolled pupils have applied for and qualify for free or reduced-price school meals, to examine the feasibility of implementing the federal school meal programs using Provision 2 by grouping schools, as permitted under federal law.	02/16/2006-Referred to Com. on ED.
AB 1920 Chan	Medi-Cal: hospital funding.	WATCH SPOT	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation, in consultation with those public hospitals, that would establish a methodology for the distribution of the amount allocated to those hospitals pursuant to the demonstration project for services provided during the 2006-07 project year.	02/01/2006-From printer. May be heard in committee March 3.
AB 1948 Montanez	Medi-Cal program: Healthy Families Program: Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP) program.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would require the department, by July 1, 2008, to modify the electronic preenrollment application process to include a process to be used, at the option and with the written consent of the person applying on the child's behalf, to simultaneously preenroll and apply for enrollment into the Healthy Families Program or Medi-Cal program. It would require this process to include an application to provide for continuing preliminary benefits until a final eligibility determination is made. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	02/14/2006-Referred to Com. on HEALTH. 03/21/06 1:30 p.m. - Room 4202 ASM HEALTH
AB 2170 Chan	Gallegos-Rosenthal Patient Advocate Program.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would require the program to include information in the report card on the quality of care and access provided by health care service plans under Medicare Part D, the federal program for prescription drug reimbursement coverage.	03/02/2006-Referred to Com. on HEALTH.
AB 2226	Diabetes screening.	WATCH	Staff Rec:	Would prohibit, on and after July 1, 2007, the governing board of each school district or the authority of each other private or public institution	03/02/2006-Referred to Coms. on ED. and

Garcia			WATCH	responsible for the operation and control of the institution or the principal or administrator of each school or institution from unconditionally admitting any pupil to the 7th grade level, or unconditionally advancing any pupil to the 7th grade level, unless the pupil has been screened for type 2 diabetes, except as specified.	HEALTH
AB 2281 Chan	High deductible health care coverage.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would establish benefits standards and disclosure requirements for a high deductible health plan contract, as defined, offered by a health care service plan and for a high deductible health insurance policy, as defined, offered by a health insurer. The bill would require a plan and insurer to also offer a plan contract or a policy with a lower deductible and cost-sharing amount than allowed for high deductible products. The bill would also require the Director of Managed Health Care and the Insurance Commissioner to develop specified data elements before July 1, 2007, that a plan and an insurer would be required to report, respectively, to the director and commissioner on or before January 1, 2008, and to develop a guide to high deductible products on or before July 1, 2007.	03/02/2006-Referred to Com. on HEALTH.
AB 2283 Oropeza	Physician and surgeons: cultural background and foreign language proficiency.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would require the information regarding cultural background and foreign language proficiency to be aggregated on an annual basis based on categories utilized by the board in the collection of the data, and to be aggregated by both statewide totals and ZIP Code of primary practice location. The bill would also require this information to be compiled and reported on the board's Internet Web site on or before July 1 of each year.	03/02/2006-Referred to Com. on B. & P.
AB 2364 De La Torre	Premium Assistance Program.	SUPPORT SPOT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would express the Legislature's intent to create the Premium Assistance Program to assist persons meeting specified criteria to pay for the cost of health care coverage using Medicaid and State Children's Health Insurance Program funds.	02/24/2006-From printer. May be heard in committee March 26.
AB 2377 Chan	Health care coverage.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would create a separate fund, consisting of an unspecified amount of moneys appropriated in the annual Budget Act, that would be managed by the board. The bill would authorize the board to expend the money in this fund for specified purposes under a local initiative and the Healthy Families Program consistent with their requirements, other than citizenship and immigration requirements.	02/24/2006-From printer. May be heard in committee March 26.
AB 2384	Nutrition: Healthy Food	WATCH	Staff Rec:	Would require the department to develop a "Healthy Food Purchase" pilot program to increase the sale and purchase of fresh fruits and	02/24/2006-From printer. May be heard

Leno	Purchase Pilot Program.		SUPPORT	vegetables in low-income communities, as specified.	in committee March 26.
AB 2450 Richman	Health care coverage: Cal-Health program.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would enact the Cal-Health Act that would require the State Department of Health Services to establish an enrollment and retention program to serve as a single point of entry, but not the exclusive method of enrollment and retention, for all health care programs offered by the state and local government agencies.	02/24/2006-From printer. May be heard in committee March 26.
AB 2471 Wyland	Aliens: costs of providing public benefits.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would authorize the LAO to conduct a study on the cost to the state of providing education, health care, unemployment benefits, social services, and incarceration for undocumented aliens.	02/24/2006-From printer. May be heard in committee March 26.
AB 2473 Wyland	Identification: state-funded benefits.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would require personal identification for any kind of state-funded benefit, including unemployment benefits, welfare, and health care.	02/24/2006-From printer. May be heard in committee March 26.
AB 2508 Haynes	Illegal immigration: public benefits.	OPPOSE	Staff Rec: OPPOSE	Would declare the Legislature's intent to enact legislation that provides that persons who reside illegally in California are not entitled to the same benefits and privileges as persons who reside legally in this state.	02/24/2006-From printer. May be heard in committee March 26.
AB 2560 Ridley-Thomas	Public School Health Center Program.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would require the State Department of Health Services, in cooperation with the State Department of Education, to establish a Public School Health Center Program for specified purposes relating to the establishment of standardized data collection procedures and the maintenance of a database of health information on public school health centers in California, and the tracking of health issues that are unique to school-aged youth such, as childhood obesity, asthma, immunizations against communicable diseases, and child and adolescent mental health disorders. The bill would require that the department convene and participate in a Public school Health Center Advisory Committee, composed of specified members, and would prescribe the functions and duties of the advisory committee. The bill would require program staff to prepare and submit an annual report to the Legislature containing specified information. The bill would also require program staff, on or before January 1, 2008, to prepare and submit to the department and the Legislature a report evaluating the benefits, obstacles, and feasibility of developing and implementing a	02/24/2006-From printer. May be heard in committee March 26.

				certification system for public school health centers.	
AB 2877 Frommer	Prescription drugs: importation: procurement.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would establish the California RxPrescription Drug Web Site Program. The bill would require the State Department of Health Services to administer the program and establish a Web site on or before July 1, 2007, to provide information to California residents about options for obtaining prescription drugs at affordable prices. The bill would require that the Web site, at a minimum, provide information about, and establish electronic links to, certain federal, state, and pharmaceutical programs, pharmacies that are located in Canada, the United Kingdom, and Ireland and that meet specified requirements, and other Web sites.	02/27/2006-Read first time.
AB 2911 Nunez	California Discount Prescription Drug Program.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would establish the California Discount Prescription Drug Program within the department. The bill would require the department to negotiate drug discount agreements with drug manufacturers and pursue manufacturer rebate agreements for drugs in each therapeutic category. The bill would authorize any licensed pharmacy and any drug manufacturer, as defined, to participate in the program. The bill would establish eligibility criteria and application procedures for eligible Californians to participate in the program. The application process would require an applicant to attest to information provided under penalty of perjury, which would expand the definition of an existing crime, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program.	02/27/2006-Read first time.
AB 2956 Lieu	Prescription drugs: Medicare.	WATCH SPOT	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to establish a statewide program to aid seniors in understanding the prescription drug benefit under the Medicare Program.	02/27/2006-Read first time.
AB 2979 Richman	Medi-Cal.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would authorize the department to establish a pilot program, commencing April 1, 2008, in up to 2 counties, that would require that certain eligible seniors and persons with disabilities shall be assigned as mandatory enrollees into new or existing Medi-Cal managed care health plans.	02/27/2006-Read first time.
ACR 98 Horton, Shirley	Language and cultural education.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would proclaim May 2006 as World Languages and Cultures Month, encourage all educational communities in California to celebrate languages and cultures with meaningful pupil activities and programs, and urge all residents to become interested in and give full support to quality language and cultural programs for all pupils in California	01/12/2006-Referred to Com. on ED.

				schools.	
ACR 114 Coto	Legislative Task Force on Diabetes and Obesity.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would urge the establishment of a Legislative Task Force on Diabetes and Obesity, consisting of specified members, to study the factors contributing to the high rates of diabetes and obesity in this country, and would declare that the task force should prepare a report containing recommendations regarding ways to reduce the incidence of those debilitating conditions.	02/16/2006-Referred to Com. on HEALTH. 03/21/06 1:30 p.m. - Room 4202 ASM HEALTH
AJR 40 Chan	Medicare prescription drugs.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would memorialize the United States Congress and President to enact H.R. No. 3861, "The Medicare Informed Choice Act of 2005."	01/30/2006-Referred to Com. on HEALTH. 03/21/06 1:30 p.m. - Room 4202 ASM HEALTH
SB 160 Cedillo	Student financial aid: eligibility: California Dream Act.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would enact the California Dream Act, which would require the Trustees of the California State University and the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, and would request the Regents of the University of California, to establish procedures and forms that enable persons who are exempt from paying nonresident tuition under the provision described above, or who meet equivalent requirements adopted by the regents, to apply for, and participate in, all student aid programs administered by these segments to the full extent permitted by federal law. This provision would apply to the University of California only if the regents, by appropriate resolution, act to make it applicable. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	02/16/2006-To Com. on HIGHER ED.
SB 162 Ortiz	State Department of Public Health.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would enact the California Public Health Act of 2005 , which would, on an unspecified date, establish the State Department of Public Health, to be headed by the State Health Officer to be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate. The bill would transfer the responsibility for certain programs from the State Department of Health Services to the State Department of Public Health, and would make conforming changes.	02/16/2006-To Com. on HEALTH.
SB 362 Torlakson	Physical education.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would establish the Physical Education Professional Development Program, to be administered by the Superintendent of Public Instruction with the approval of the State Board of Education. Under the program, a school district that maintains kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 8, inclusive, would be eligible to apply for, and to receive, and the Superintendent would be authorized to allocate, a maximum of	02/16/2006-To Com. on ED.

				\$2,500, and a minimum of \$2,000, of incentive funding, upon the submission of a proposal, as specified, to provide training in physical education to no more than one teacher at the school district, through professional development programs conducted by institutions of higher education or by a provider of training approved by the department. The bill would appropriate \$2,500,000 for these purposes , with \$1,250,000 of that amount available for expenditure in the 2006-07 fiscal year, and the other \$1,250,000 available for expenditure in the 2007-08 fiscal year .	
SB 437 Escutia	California Healthy Kids Insurance Program.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Creates the California for Healthy Kids Program to provide health care coverage to all children.	09/07/2005-Placed on inactive file on request of Assembly Member Keene.
SB 558 Migden	Healthy Families Program and Medi-Cal.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would require the board, in collaboration with the State Department of Health Services, to develop an informational document, referred to as the "Healthy Families/Medi-Cal Workplace Notice," containing certain information about the Healthy Families Program and the Medi-Cal program , that California employers would be required to provide to their employees . The bill would require the Employment Development Department to notify identified employers, as specified, of the required notice . The bill would also require the board to establish processes that would allow an employer to elect to allow employees to have the family contribution payments for health care coverage under the Healthy Families Program deducted from the employee's pay and transmitted to the board by the employer, or to have the contribution payments transferred from a designated financial institution to the board, and would require the board to include, for 2 years, the results of a certain survey in its annual report to the Legislature and others.	02/16/2006-To Com. on HEALTH.
SB 840 Kuehl	Single-payer health care coverage.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would establish the California Health Insurance System to be administered by the newly created California Health Insurance Agency under the control of an elected Health Insurance Commissioner. The bill would make all California residents eligible for specified health care benefits under the California Health Insurance System, which would, on a single-payer basis, negotiate for or set fees for health care services provided through the system and pay claims for those services. The bill would require the health care system to be operational within 2 years of enactment, and would enact various transition provisions. The bill	07/12/2005-Read second time. Amended. Re-referred to Com. on RLS.

				would require the commissioner to seek all necessary waivers, exemptions, agreements, or legislation to allow various existing federal, state, and local health care payments to be paid to the California Health Insurance System, which would then assume responsibility for all benefits and services previously paid for with those funds.	
SB 849 Escutia	Environmental health data tracking.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would require, pursuant to that interagency agreement, the establishment of the Interagency Office of Environmental Health Tracking within the department's Division of Environmental and Occupational Disease Control for the purpose of implementing the California Health Tracking Program. The bill would require the department and the Cal/EPA to each provide one 50% time research scientist as staff for the new office. The bill would state the Legislature's intent to provide funding to the department and the Cal/EPA for those research scientist positions in the 2005-06 Budget Act. The bill would prescribe the office's objectives over a 3-year period and would require the office to complete certain duties during the first year after it is established. The bill would require any additional funding for the office, beyond funding that the Legislature may appropriate for the research scientists, to come from federal or private sources. The bill would require that its provisions be implemented only if the department and the Cal/EPA receive funding in the 2005-06 Budget Act for the two 50% time research scientist positions, and if the Department of Finance makes a determination that sufficient federal or private moneys have been made available to the state to fully implement the bill.	11/18/2005-Hearing postponed by committee. (Refers to 8/25/2005 hearing) 2 YR BILL
SB 1118 Figueroa	Health Care Insurance for All Children Act.	WATCH SPOT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would express the Legislature's intent to enact legislation to provide access to affordable health care insurance to all uninsured children in California, and to provide a funding mechanism for that insurance.	01/19/2006-To Com. on RLS.
SB 1205 Escutia	Air pollution: Children's Breathing Rights Act: penalties.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would create the Children's Breathing Rights Act which would increase the civil penalties for specified violations of air pollution laws from nonvehicular sources from \$1,000 to \$10,000. The bill would eliminate certain affirmative defenses and civil liability provisions relating to violations of air quality laws, as provided. The bill would, on and after June 1, 2007, assess an additional civil penalty of not more than \$100,000 per day for each violation committed by a serious and chronic violator of nonvehicular air pollution laws. The bill would	02/02/2006-Re-referred to Coms. on JUD. and RLS.

				require the State Air Resources Board, by March 1, 2007, to define, by regulation, the term "serious and chronic violator." The bill would require that all moneys collected from serious and chronic violators pursuant to those provisions be deposited into the Children's Breathing Rights Fund, which would be created by the bill, to be used, upon appropriation, for specified purposes.	
SB 1309 Scott	Nursing education: SNAPLE	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would make various technical, nonsubstantive changes in the SNAPLE act. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws. (State Nursing Assumption Program of Loans for Education: California Community Colleges)	02/22/2006-To Com. on RLS.
SB 1329 Alquist	Redevelopment: supermarkets.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would authorize an agency to establish a program to award planning grants and other financial incentives to large supermarket chains, independent grocers, small markets, and ethnic grocers to assist with predevelopment activities, feasibility studies, land and building acquisition, construction, machinery and equipment purchases, and working capital for the placement or enhancement of supermarkets in underserved sectors located within a project area.	03/02/2006-Set for hearing April 5. 04/05/06 9:30 a.m. - Room 112 SEN LOCAL GOVERNMENT
SB 1334 Perata	Medi-Cal: prescription drug benefit.	SUPPORT SPOT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would make technical nonsubstantive changes to that authorization.	03/02/2006-To Com. on RLS.
SB 1405 Soto	Medi-Cal: Healthy Families: interpreter services.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would make certain findings regarding the portion of the California population that is limited English proficient (LEP). The bill would establish the Task Force on Reimbursement for Language Services to develop and adopt a mechanism for seeking federal matching funds to pay for language assistance services, including oral interpretation services and translation of written materials, for the population that is LEP and that is enrolled in the Medi-Cal program or the Healthy Families Program. It would require the task force to report its recommendations to the Legislature no later than July 1, 2009, and would require that all costs associated with the task force be paid with private funds.	03/02/2006-To Com. on HEALTH.
SB 1414 Migden	California Fair Share Health Care Act.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	The California Fair Share Health Care Act, would require an employer with 10,000 or more employees in the state, who does not elect to contribute the difference in support of the Medi-Cal program, to spend a specified percentage of the total wages the employer paid to	03/02/2006-To Coms. on HEALTH and L. & I.R.

				employees in the state in the immediately preceding calendar year, on employee health insurance costs, as defined.	
SB 1448 Kuehl	Health care: Medi-Cal.	WATCH	Staff Rec: WATCH	Would state the intent of the Legislature to implement that portion of the federally-approved demonstration project waiver relating to the expansion of Medi-Cal managed care enrollment and the extension of health care coverage to individuals currently uninsured. The bill would, in implementation of that waiver and subject to federal financial participation, enact the Healthcare Coverage Initiative Act for the purpose of extending health care coverage to those individuals.	02/24/2006-From print. May be acted upon on or after March 26.
SB 1534 Alarcon	Coordinated low-income program eligibility assistance.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would require the California Health and Human Services Agency, the Public Utilities Commission, the State Department of Education, and the Department of Insurance to work together to ensure that individuals and families meeting equivalent eligibility requirements for low-income programs administered by these entities are concurrently enrolled in all available programs for which they are eligible. The bill would authorize the entities to work to create a single low-income program application to cover all services afforded to low-income populations, and to establish a Low-Income Advisory Board to implement the bill's requirements.	02/24/2006-From print. May be acted upon on or after March 26.
SB 1622 Escutia	Healthy Families Program and Medi-Cal: employee eligibility.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would require the State Department of Health Services and the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board to develop an informational document, referred to as the "Employee Notification of Eligibility for Healthy Families/Medi-Cal," containing certain information about the Healthy Families Program and the Medi-Cal program. The bill would require California employers to provide the notice to employees, and would also require the Employment Development Department to notify specified employers of the requirements relating to the Employee Notification of Eligibility for Healthy Families/Medi-Cal.	02/27/2006-Read first time.
SCR 73 Torlakson	California Task Force on Youth and Workplace Wellness.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would continue the existence and set forth the membership of the California Task Force on Youth and Workplace Wellness, to perform duties to promote fitness and health in schools and workplaces. It would provide that the task force is to consist of Members of the Legislature and experts appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and the Senate Committee on Rules. It would provide that members of the task force are to conduct task force business on a volunteer basis, permit the task force to accept private funds and in-kind donations,	01/18/2006-Introduced. To Com. on RLS.

				require the task force to submit a report on its work to the Legislature on or before June 30, 2008, and provide that the task force would cease to exist on July 1, 2010, unless its existence is extended by a later enacted resolution.	
SCR 90 Torlakson	10 Steps to a Healthy California.	SUPPORT	Staff Rec: SUPPORT	Would express the Legislature's supports for "10 Steps to a Healthy California," including promoting the importance of physical activity and healthy eating.	02/06/2006-Introduced. To Com. on RLS.

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