

Bill Number/ Author/Location	Description	CHEAC Position	Comments	Platform Subject
Assembly Bills				
NEW BILL AB 4/Arambula	Expands Medi-Cal to all undocumented adults with income at or below 138% FPL.	S-2 2/22/19	See also SB 29/Durazo.	Health Coverage/Health Care Reform
NEW BILL AB 12/Irwin A – Public Safety <i>Hearing: 3/12/19</i>	Extends gun violence restraining order (GVRO) duration from one year to five years. Modifies court hearing process to allow restrained person to request court hearing to terminate order on annual basis. Authorizes simultaneous approval of search warrant for firearms/ammunition upon approval of GVRO.	SIB 2/22/19		Injury Prevention
NEW BILL AB 50/Kalra A – Health	Requires DHCS to renew the Assisted Living Waiver program, including increasing additional slots from 5,500 to 18,500 and to start a process to expand the program on a regional basis beyond the existing 15 participating counties.	S-2 2/22/19	Similar to last year's AB 2233/Kalra.	Health Coverage/Health Care Reform
NEW BILL AB 131/Cunningham A – Gov. Org.	Prohibits electronic smoking device manufacturers from advertising or promoting electronic smoking devices in manner that is attractive to or in manner that is intended to encourage use of device by individuals under 21 years old. Authorizes CDPH to assess specified civil penalties in violation of provisions.	Watch/BB 2/22/19		Tobacco Control
NEW BILL AB 161/Ting A – Nat. Resources	Requires all receipts for retail sale of products or provision of services to be provided to consumers in electronic form unless otherwise requested. Sets forth enforcement and penalty provisions to be carried out by local health officer.	Watch 2/22/19	3/1/19: Author's office has indicated forthcoming amendment to instead task enforcement with AG/DA/county counsel/city attorney.	Environmental Health
NEW BILL AB 204/Wood A – Health <i>Hearing: 3/19/19</i>	Modifies existing Community Benefits (CB) statute to clarify CB do not include fundraising expenses or compliance costs for preparing CB plans. Requires OSHPD to develop regulations by 7/1/20 to standardize the calculation of CB economic value and CB plan reporting. Allows OSHPD to: 1) require that the value of charity care be calculated by using a percentage of Medicare allowable rates; 2) fine hospitals for failure to adopt, update, or submit their CB plans; and 3) have independent audits conducted on all CB plans reported to OSHPD.	Watch 2/22/19		Health Coverage/Health Care Reform

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NEW BILL AB 228/Aguiar-Curry A – Health	Adds statutory language declaring a food, beverage, or cosmetic is not adulterated if it includes industrial hemp products, including cannabidiol (CBD) derived from industrial hemp. The sale of these products may not be restricted if they contain industrial hemp or cannabidiol.	Watch w/ Concerns 2/22/19		Cannabis
NEW BILL AB 258/Jones-Sawyer A – Education	Establishes the School-Based Pupil Support Services Program in which the California Department of Education awards matching grants to specified schools for the purposes of increasing student support services related to substance use, behavioral health, and physical health. Funds grants using the Youth Education, Prevention, Early Intervention, and Treatment Account (Proposition 64 cannabis tax revenues). Grant amounts and duration TBD.	Watch 2/22/19	Same as AB 2471/Thurmond from 2018.	Chronic Disease Prevention & Wellness Promotion
NEW BILL AB 262/Gloria A – Health <i>Hearing: 3/19/19</i>	Requires local health officers (LHO) to promptly notify and update public entities within their jurisdiction about communicable disease outbreaks that may impact them. LHO's are required to also provide information to these entities about the locations of the cases, the number of residents impacted, and measures the local entities should take to assist with outbreak efforts.	Watch w/ Concerns 2/22/19		Communicable Disease Control
NEW BILL AB 276/Friedman A – Public Safety <i>Hearing: 3/12/19</i>	Requires resident/occupant to securely store firearm against theft or unauthorized access using a Department of Justice-approved device at any time person is outside that residence. Sets forth 10-year prohibition on subsequent firearm possession/ownership if found in violation of storage requirements.	SIB 2/22/19	Sponsors: Gifford's Law Center; Brady Campaign to End Gun Violence See also SB 172/Portantino.	Injury Prevention
NEW BILL AB 283/Chu A – Human Svcs. <i>Hearing: 3/12/19</i>	Repeals CalWORKs provisions requiring non-school age children to be immunized and for school-age children to attend school in order to receive benefits under the program.	Watch 2/22/19		Communicable Disease Control
NEW BILL AB 286/Bonta A – Rev. & Tax.	Reduces the statewide excise tax on cannabis from 15 percent to 11 percent for three years and suspends the tax on cannabis cultivation.	Watch 2/22/19	Same as last year's AB 3157/Lackey.	Cannabis
NEW BILL AB 307/Reyes A – Human Svcs.	Requires Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to develop and administer grant program to award three-year grants to private nonprofit entity or continuum of care entity to support young people experiencing homelessness. Specifies funding sources to include Youth Education, Prevention, Early Intervention, and Treatment Account (Proposition 64 cannabis tax revenues), appropriations by Legislature, gifts and donations, and General Fund to reach \$100 million (if not reached by other three sources). Requires grant recipients to use funds to provide 15 specified supportive services and expand housing services.	Watch 2/22/19	Sponsors: Coalition for Youth; Corporation for Supportive Housing; Equality California; Housing California; John Burton Advocates for Youth; Tipping Point Community SB 918/Wiener from 2018 tasked Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council with additional duties re: youth homelessness	Health Equity

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NEW BILL AB 316/Ramos A – Health <i>Hearing: 3/19/19</i>	Requires DHCS to implement a payment adjustment to Medi-Cal providers who render services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries with special dental care needs.	S-2 2/22/19	Similar to SB 1464/Wiener from 2018.	Dental Health Services
NEW BILL AB 320/Quirk A – Env. Safety & Toxic Materials <i>Hearing: 3/12/19</i>	Establishes the CA Mosquito Surveillance & Research program to be administered by UC Davis to maintain an interactive website for the management and dissemination of mosquito-borne virus and surveillance control data, provide confirmation of tests done by local or state agencies, to work in conjunction with local mosquito abatement and vector control districts to conduct research on arbovirus surveillance, transmission of vector-borne diseases, and mosquito ecology and control, and to coordinate with the Mosquito and Vector Control Association of CA, CDPH, local mosquito abatement and vector control districts, local governments and other affected stakeholders to share information.	S-2 2/22/19	Similar to last year's AB 2892/Quirk.	Vector Control
NEW BILL AB 344/Calderon A – Housing & Comm Devel.	Establishes the New Beginnings California Program within the Department of Community Services and Development to provide up to \$50,000 each in matching funds to cities, counties, and continuum of care entities to implement, expand, and continue employment programs for homeless individuals upon appropriation in the annual Budget Act.	Watch 2/22/19	Same as AB 3085/Calderon from 2018.	Health Equity
NEW BILL AB 362/Eggman A – Health <i>Hearing: 3/19/19</i>	Authorizes the City and County of San Francisco to approve entities to operate overdose prevention programs, including supervised injection sites. Delineates the requirements for these sites and provides prosecutorial immunity for those involved in the operation or use of the site. Defines health care professionals. Specifies required operating procedures.	Watch 2/22/19	HOAC supports. Same as last year's AB 186/Eggman (vetoed).	Drug & Alcohol Services

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NEW BILL AB 377/E. Garcia A – Health	Repeals and recasts provisions around jurisdictional opt-in for microenterprise home kitchen operation (MEHKO) permitting to now specify that only the governing body of a city, county, or city and county designated as the enforcement agency in California Retail Food Code can opt in. Removes requirement that jurisdictions must designate one local lead agency if multiple agencies are involved in permitting. Clarifies the local enforcement agency may inspect outside of MEHKO operating hours in cases of urgent public health or public safety issues or if MEHKO is not open during enforcement agency hours. Requires MEHKO advertising to include name of local enforcement agency, permit number, and specification that food is made in a home kitchen. Modifies several previous MEHKO exemptions around food safety, sanitation, and operating procedures. Requires local enforcement agency to report to Legislature number of permits issued, foods authorized to be prepared, and number and nature of violations. Specifies urgency statute to take effect immediately given AB 626 operative date of 01/01/2019.	Watch 2/22/19	Clean-up to AB 626/E. Garcia from 2018. 3/1/19: Additional amendments forthcoming.	Environmental Health
NEW BILL AB 388/Limón A – Health <i>Hearing: 3/19/19</i>	Requires CDPH to implement action agenda items from the CDC Healthy Brain Initiative. Requires CDPH to conduct statewide public awareness campaign to promote early detection and timely diagnosis of Alzheimer’s Disease and related dementias. Requires CDPH upon appropriation by the Legislature to award one-time competitive grants to up to eight counties for local planning and preparation activities consistent with the CDC Healthy Brain Initiative Action Agenda.	S-3 2/22/19		Chronic Disease Prevention & Wellness Promotion
NEW BILL AB 397/Chau A – Public Safety <i>Hearing: 3/19/19</i>	Beginning 07/2021, specifies it is unlawful for a person under the influence of cannabis or under the combined influence of cannabis and another drug to drive a vehicle.	Watch 2/22/19	Same as last year’s AB 2058/Chau.	Cannabis
NEW BILL AB 402/Quirk A – Env. Safety & Toxic Materials <i>Hearing: 3/12/19</i>	Sets forth process in which local primacy agency (LPA) jurisdiction may opt-in to a funding stabilization program where the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) establishes and collects all fees from small public water systems. Requires SWRCB to provide funding to LPA in accordance with detailed annual work scope submitted by LPA which details direct/indirect costs and performance measures of inspection, monitoring, surveillance, water quality evaluations, and enforcement activities. Requires LPA to maintain accurate accounting records and remit all fines/penalties collected to SWRCB.	Watch 2/22/19	Sponsor: CCDEH	Environmental Health
NEW BILL AB 414/Bonta A – Health	Institutes a state-level individual mandate in California for health insurance beginning in 2020. Requires Covered CA to determine a penalty for not obtaining health insurance with fines. Fines are directed to the Health Care Coverage Penalty Fund with a requirement that funds be directed to improve the affordability of healthcare coverage in CA.	S-2 2/22/19	See also SB 175/Pan.	Health Coverage/Health Care Reform

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NEW BILL AB 432/Quirk A – Env. Safety & Toxic Materials <i>Hearing: 3/12/19</i>	Requires State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to develop and implement an officer certification program for the oversight and abatement of release of waste. Sets forth consideration criteria for SWRCB when determining if local health officer (LHO) is qualified to oversee/perform specified actions. Specifies that only certified LHO may enter into remedial action agreement after 07/2020. Sets forth additional requirements for remedial action agreements between responsible party and LHO to include reporting, public notification, and enforcement actions. Requires LHO to conduct public notification process prior to certifying accomplishment of activities of remedial waste agreement.	Watch 2/22/19		Environmental Health
NEW BILL AB 588/Chen	Requires animal shelters to disclose in writing specific information related to a dog’s bit history – when an adult dog has a bit a person and broken skin – prior to selling, giving away, or otherwise releasing the dog. Any shelter, humane society shelter, or animal rescue group violating these provisions may be fined up to \$500.	Watch 2/22/19		Animal Care & Control
NEW BILL AB 645/Irwin	Adds to existing warning labels on firearms and signage at licensed firearm dealer premises to include language stating, “If you or someone you know is contemplating suicide, please call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline,” with the phone number. Requires Department of Justice (DOJ) firearm safety certificate course and written acknowledgement to cover topic of suicide prevention.	S-2 2/22/19		Injury Prevention
NEW BILL AB 678/Flora	Restores podiatric services as a Medi-Cal benefit.	S-3 2/22/19		Health Coverage/Health Care Reform
NEW BILL AB 714/Wood	Revisits provisions from last year’s AB 2760 to clarify that prescribers do not need to prescribe naloxone when prescribing high opioid dosage amounts and benzodiazepine to patients in an inpatient healthcare facility or in an outpatient hospice care setting.	S-2 2/22/19		Drug & Alcohol Services
NEW BILL AB 739/McCarty	Prohibits tobacco retailer from selling or offering to sell any flavored tobacco product. Sets forth enforcement and penalty provisions. Specifies section does not preempt/prohibit local ordinances; if inconsistency between state and local measures, the greater restriction on tobacco access shall prevail.	S-1 2/22/19	See also SB 38/Hill.	Tobacco Control
NEW BILL AB 764/Bonta	States intent of Legislature to enact legislation to prohibit beverage companies from offering and funding promotional and marketing activities for sugar-sweetened beverages (SSBs).	Watch 2/22/19	Sponsors: California Medical Association; California Dental Association	Chronic Disease Prevention & Wellness Promotion
NEW BILL AB 765/Wicks	Specifies certain stores may only make the following drink options available in checkout aisles: coffee/tea, milk, 100 percent natural fruit or vegetable juice, or water. Sets forth enforcement and penalty provisions. Specifies measure will only preempt/prohibit local ordinances in the event the state measure provides greater protection of health promotion.	Watch 2/22/19	3/1/19: Bill does not yet identify state agency responsible for enforcement.	Chronic Disease Prevention & Wellness Promotion

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NEW BILL AB 766/Chiu	Prohibits retailer from selling or offering for sale an unsealed beverage container that is able to contain more than 16 fluid ounces. Sets for enforcement and penalty provisions to be carried out by attorney general, district attorney, county counsel, or city attorney.	Watch 2/22/19	Sponsors: California Medical Association; California Dental Association	Chronic Disease Prevention & Wellness Promotion
NEW BILL AB 769/Smith	Expands Medi-Cal reimbursement eligibility to include Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors (LPCCs) in federally qualified health centers (FQHCs) and rural health clinics (RHCs).	S-2 2/22/19	Same as AB 1591/Berman from 2017 and similar to AB 1863/Wood from 2016 re: Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT) reimbursement.	Access to Health Services
NEW BILL AB 770/E. Garcia	Requires federally qualified health center (FQHC) and rural health center (RHC) adjusted per-visit rate methodology to exclude, among other things, per-visit payment limitation and provider productivity standard. Authorizes a FQHC or RHC to apply for an adjustment to its per-visit rate for the adoption, implementation, or upgrade of a certified electronic health record (EHR) system. Extends timeframe for FQHC or RHC to file a scope of service rate change. Expands definition of "visit" to include FQHC/RHC services delivered outside of the clinic location.	Watch 2/22/19	Similar to AB 2029/E. Garcia from 2018.	Access to Health Services
NEW BILL AB 1718/Levine	Bans smoking and disposal of cigar/cigarette waste at all state coastal beaches or in state parks. Smoking includes the use of e-cigarettes. Establishes infraction penalty amount of \$25.	S-1 2/26/19	Similar to AB 1097/Levine from 2018. Same as SB 835 and SB 836/Glazer from 2018 and SB 386/Glazer from 2017. Measures vetoed by Governor. See also SB 8/Glazer.	Tobacco Control

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Senate Bills				
NEW BILL SB 8/Glazer S – Natural Resources & Wildlife <i>Hearing: 3/12/19</i>	Bans smoking and disposal of cigar/cigarette waste at all state coastal beaches or in state parks. Smoking includes the use of e-cigarettes. Establishes infraction penalty amount of \$25.	S-1 2/22/19	Same as SB 835 and SB 836/Glazer from 2018 and SB 386/Glazer from 2017. Measures vetoed by Governor. See also AB 1718/Levine.	Tobacco Control
NEW BILL SB 29/Durazo S – Health <i>Hearing: 3/20/19</i>	Expands Medi-Cal to all undocumented adults with income at or below 138% FPL.	S-2 2/22/19	See also AB 4/Arambula.	Health Coverage/Health Care Reform
NEW BILL SB 34/Wiener S – Gov. & Fin.	Allows for the donation of medical cannabis or cannabis products to qualified medicinal cannabis patients. Cannabis testing requirements would apply along with requiring all cannabis or cannabis products leaving a licensed compassion care premises to leave in opaque packaging. Both excise and cultivation taxes would not apply to compassion care cannabis or cannabis products until 01/2025.	Watch 2/22/19	Same as last year's SB 829/Wiener.	Cannabis
NEW BILL SB 38/Hill S – Health	Prohibits tobacco retailer from selling or offering to sell any flavored tobacco product. Sets forth enforcement and penalty provisions to be carried out by CDPH, other state agency, or local law enforcement. Specifies section does not preempt/prohibit local ordinances; if inconsistency between state and local measures, the greater restriction on tobacco access shall prevail.	S-1 2/22/19	See also AB 739/McCarty.	Tobacco Control
NEW BILL SB 39/Hill S – Health	Requires mail-order tobacco products to be packed in container with specified conspicuous labeling. Requires signature of person 21 years of age or older upon or before completing delivery of mail-order tobacco products.	S-1 2/22/19	Provisions similar to existing statute governing alcohol delivery.	Tobacco Control
NEW BILL SB 42/Skinner S – Public Safety	Requires county sheriff to make release standards, processes and schedules available to the public, post them online and provide them to a person when booked into county jail. Requires release standards to include the following rights: the right for assistance in entering a SUD program; transportation to rehabilitation program or hospital free of charge; access to up to three free calls to plan for safe release; option to voluntarily stay in jail for up to 16 additional hours to be discharged in the day time; a safe place to wait or free transportation within a 100 mile radius if discharged at night; and three days' supply of medication upon release of a stay of 30 days or more. Establishes the Late-Night Release Prevention Task Force.	Watch 2/22/19		Jail & Community Corrections Services

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NEW BILL SB 46/Jackson S – Gov. Org.	Expands statute from last year (SB 821/Jackson) that allows counties to enter into agreements to access the contact information of public utility account holders in order to enroll those households into a county operated public emergency warning system to now include cities, Cal State, UC and community college districts. Also allows county social services departments to disclose contact information for their clients to police, fire, paramedic personnel or other designated emergency personnel in the event of a public safety emergency.	Watch 2/22/19		PHEP
NEW BILL SB 58/Wiener S – Gov. Org. <i>Hearing: 3/12/19</i>	Requires Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) to conduct a pilot program for additional hour license permits to allow specified bars/nightclubs to remain open until 4:00 am in the cities of Cathedral City, Coachella, Long Beach, Los Angeles, Oakland, Palm Springs, Sacramento, San Francisco, and West Hollywood. Should one of the seven cities wish to pursue additional hour license permits, local governing boards of cities must convene a task force to develop a local plan that includes various information related to public safety/public health and adopt the local plan via ordinance. Pilot program to begin in 01/2022 and sunset in 01/2027.	Watch 2/22/19	Same as SB 905/Wiener from 2018.	Injury Prevention
NEW BILL SB 64/Chang S – Bus., Prof. & Econ. Devel.	Requires animal shelters, including animal control agencies, and rescue groups to microchip dogs or cats prior to releasing the animal back to an owner or to a new owner for adoption, sale or release.	Watch/BB 2/22/19		Animal Care & Control
NEW BILL SB 66/Atkins S – Health <i>Hearing: 3/20/19</i>	Authorizes Medi-Cal reimbursement for a maximum of two visits on the same day at a single location if: 1) after the first visit, the patient suffers illness/injury requiring additional diagnosis/treatment; or 2) the patient has a medical visit and a mental health visit or dental visit. Defines medical visit as a face-to-face encounter with a physician, PA, NP, nurse-midwife, visiting nurse, or perinatal practitioner. Defines a mental health visit as a face-to-face encounter with a psychiatrist, clinical psychologist, LCSW, MFT. Defines dental visit as a face-to-face encounter with a dentist or dental hygienist. Authorizes FQHC/RHC to apply for a per-visit rate adjustment for a medical visit and mental health visit occurring on the same day at a single location. Requires DHCS to submit state plan amendment to CMS by 07/01/2020.	S-2 2/22/19	Same as SB 1125/Atkins from 2018. Co-sponsors: Steinberg Institute; California Health+ Advocates; California Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems; Local Health Plans of California	Access to Health Services

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NEW BILL SB 127/Wiener S – Transport.	Establishes the Division of Active Transportation within CalTrans to develop projects and programs to increase bicycle and pedestrian safety and trips. Requires CalTrans when undertaking project on state highway or local street crossing a state highway to include new pedestrian and bicycle facilities or improve existing facilities as specified. Requires expenditure of three percent of State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP) funds on bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Includes other provisions related to performance measures, programming, and budgeting to improve accessibility for all users of transportation system.	Watch 2/22/19	Sponsors: California Bicycle Coalition; Safe Routes to School National Partnership; California Walks; American Heart Association/American Stroke Association	Built Environment & Climate Change
NEW BILL SB 172/Portantino S – Public Safety	Requires resident/occupant to securely store firearm (loaded or unloaded) using a locked container, firearm safety device, locked gun safe, or locking device at any time person is outside that residence. Expands existing statute specifying that it is a crime to keep handgun on a specified premise with knowledge that a child or prohibited person is likely to access the handgun and leave premise to apply to any firearm. Sets forth 10-year prohibition on subsequent firearm possession/ownership if found in violation of storage requirements.	SIB 2/22/19	See also AB 276/Friedman.	Injury Prevention
NEW BILL SB 175/Pan S – Health	Institutes a California specific individual mandate for health insurance beginning in 2020. Requires Covered CA to determine a penalty for not obtaining health insurance with fines. Fines are directed to the Health Care Coverage Penalty Fund with a requirement that funds be directed to improve the affordability of healthcare coverage in CA.	S-2 2/22/19	See also AB 414/Bonta.	Health Coverage/Health Care Reform
NEW BILL SB 207/Hurtado S – Health	Requires asthma preventive services, as defined, to be included as a Medi-Cal covered benefit. Requires DHCS to approve accrediting bodies with expertise in asthma to review and approve training curricula for asthma preventative service providers. Requires DHCS to pursue funding opportunities to develop payment methodologies for minor to moderate remediation identified during an environmental asthma trigger assessment. Directs DHCS to seek any necessary federal waivers or approvals.	S-2 2/22/19		Health Coverage/Health Care Reform
NEW BILL SB 245/Chang S – Bus., Prof. & Econ. Devel.	Prohibits public animal shelters from charging an adoption fee to veterans adopting a cat, dog, or other specified animal from that shelter.	Watch 2/22/19		Animal Care & Control
NEW BILL SB 331/Hurtado	Requires counties to create a suicide prevention strategic plan with a particular emphasis on preventing suicides among those under 19 years old.	Watch 2/22/19		Injury Prevention

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NEW BILL SB 347/Monning	Establishes the Sugar-Sweetened Beverages Safety Warning Act and would require SSBs to bear the safety warning, "STATE OF CALIFORNIA SAFETY WARNING: Drinking beverages with added sugar(s) contributes to obesity, type 2 diabetes, and tooth decay." Requires safety warnings to be placed on vending machines, dispensing machines, and point of purchase for any unsealed SSBs. Sets forth enforcement and penalty provisions to be carried out by CDPH or its designee.	S-1 2/22/19	Same as AB 1335/Bonta from 2018 and SB 300/Monning from 2017.	Chronic Disease Prevention & Wellness Promotion

CHEAC Legislative Position Chart

S - 1 Actively Support	S - 2 Strongly Support	S - 3 Support	SIA Support if Amended
O - 1 Strong Oppose	O - 2 Soft Oppose	OUA Oppose Unless Amended	WC Watch with Concerns
SIB Special Interest Bill - Watch	W Watch	R/BB Refer/Bring Back	SIC Support in Concept

NOTE: CHEAC Staff will watch amendments on any bill being tracked and bring back to Legislative Committee any bill with substantive amendments that may change CHEAC’s position.