

## ACTIONS TAKEN

### ASSEMBLY BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE NO. 1 ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

ASSEMBLYMEMBER TONY THURMOND, CHAIR

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2016  
3:00 P.M. - STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 444

(Note that Asm. Ting substituted for Asm. Bonta and Asm. Obernolte substituted for Asm. Grove for this hearing.)

ITEMS TO BE HEARD	
ITEM	DESCRIPTION
<b>5180</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES</b>
ISSUE 1	POVERTY AND HOMELESSNESS IN CALIFORNIA – STATE STRATEGIES Informational item, no action.
ISSUE 2	CALWORKS: PROGRAM AND BUDGET OVERVIEW, SUFFICIENCY OF GRANTS, AND MAXIMUM FAMILY GRANT POLICY Action Taken: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Repeal MFG and Provide Grant Increase.</b> Repeal the MFG rule, with the adoption of placeholder trailer bill language to accomplish this, and provide a 4 percent increase to the CalWORKs Maximum Aid Payment, all effective January 1, 2017.</li> <li>• <b>No Permanent General Fund Costs.</b> Fund the two actions above with growth dollars that are currently appropriated into the Child Poverty and Family Supplemental Support Subaccount, with the General Fund providing the backstop funding in the intervening years until the two actions are entirely supported with these funds.</li> <li>• <b>Fiscal Estimates.</b> The total ongoing costs of the two actions will be about \$360 million. Based on an LAO forecast, which was conducted at the request of the Subcommittee in a technical assistance capacity, through 2019-20, and staff extrapolations for 2020-21 and 2021-22, General Funds costs could only be as high as about \$250 million for one year and go down to zero after five years. The chart in the agenda reflects these estimates. (It should be noted that DSS has recently provided the updated MFG repeal estimates as included in</li> </ul>

	<p>the agenda, which will be evaluated as the spring process proceeds.)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>MEMBERS</th> <th>AYE</th> <th>NO</th> <th>ABSENT</th> <th>NOT VOTING</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Thurmond (Chair)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ting</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Chiu</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Oberholte</td> <td></td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Harper</td> <td></td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Total</i></td> <td>3</td> <td>2</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	MEMBERS	AYE	NO	ABSENT	NOT VOTING	Thurmond (Chair)	X				Ting	X				Chiu	X				Oberholte		X			Harper		X			<i>Total</i>	3	2		
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ISSUE 3	<p><b>CALWORKS: EARLY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGIES AND TIMECLOCK OVERSIGHT</b></p> <p>The Subcommittee agenda noted the following. This did not require an action.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To direct staff to continue to review advocacy proposals that utilize the OCAT data and potentially create better avenues to lift families out of deep poverty, including expansion of the Family Stabilization program and SSI Advocacy within CalWORKs.</li> <li>Request an update on any trailer bill changes being sought regarding Subsidized Employment as soon as possible prior to the May Revision.</li> <li>Request the fiscal estimate on extending the clock to 60 months from DSS by May 2<sup>nd</sup> to the Subcommittee, to allow for time for review and discussion prior to the May Revision.</li> </ul>																																			
ISSUE 4	<p><b>CALWORKS: HOUSING SUPPORT PROGRAM AND HOMELESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM</b></p> <p>The issues were held open and the Subcommittee agenda noted the following. This did not require an action.</p> <p>(1) Request that advocates meet to discuss if there is common ground on how to improve the Housing Support Program while maintaining the basic model and (2) asking staff to continue working with advocates on developing a set of changes to the Homeless Assistance Program, and evaluating the associated costs of those changes, for future consideration by the Subcommittee.</p>																																			

<p>ISSUE 5</p>	<p><b>CALWORKS: ADDITIONAL ANTI-POVERTY STRATEGIES AND ADVOCATES' REQUESTS</b></p> <p>These issues were held open with direction to staff to continue to evaluate the costs of these anti-poverty approaches.</p>																																			
<p>ISSUE 6</p>	<p><b>CALWORKS: GOVERNOR'S TRAILER BILL PROPOSALS FOR 2016-17</b></p> <p><b>Action Taken:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For the County Sharing Ratio TBL, approval of the TBL as placeholder, with any technical adjustments that may be necessary to be made in the trailer bill process.</li> <li>• For the TAP TBL, approval of language as placeholder that would change current statute to remove the date for implementation of TAP and make the implementation contingent upon further action of the Legislature in any given year.</li> </ul> <table border="1" data-bbox="349 982 1352 1356"> <thead> <tr> <th>MEMBERS</th> <th>AYE</th> <th>NO</th> <th>ABSENT</th> <th>NOT VOTING</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Thurmond (Chair)</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ting</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>X</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Chiu</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Obernolte</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Harper</td> <td>X</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><i>Total</i></td> <td>4</td> <td></td> <td>1</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	MEMBERS	AYE	NO	ABSENT	NOT VOTING	Thurmond (Chair)	X				Ting			X		Chiu	X				Obernolte	X				Harper	X				<i>Total</i>	4		1	
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	<p>process. Stakeholders have been consulted and no issues have been raised.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="349 302 1354 674"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="349 302 748 352">MEMBERS</th> <th data-bbox="748 302 891 352">AYE</th> <th data-bbox="891 302 1019 352">NO</th> <th data-bbox="1019 302 1149 352">ABSENT</th> <th data-bbox="1149 302 1354 352">NOT VOTING</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="349 352 748 417">Thurmond (Chair)</td> <td data-bbox="748 352 891 417">X</td> <td data-bbox="891 352 1019 417"></td> <td data-bbox="1019 352 1149 417"></td> <td data-bbox="1149 352 1354 417"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="349 417 748 470">Ting</td> <td data-bbox="748 417 891 470"></td> <td data-bbox="891 417 1019 470"></td> <td data-bbox="1019 417 1149 470">X</td> <td data-bbox="1149 417 1354 470"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="349 470 748 522">Chiu</td> <td data-bbox="748 470 891 522">X</td> <td data-bbox="891 470 1019 522"></td> <td data-bbox="1019 470 1149 522"></td> <td data-bbox="1149 470 1354 522"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="349 522 748 575">Oberholte</td> <td data-bbox="748 522 891 575">X</td> <td data-bbox="891 522 1019 575"></td> <td data-bbox="1019 522 1149 575"></td> <td data-bbox="1149 522 1354 575"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="349 575 748 627">Harper</td> <td data-bbox="748 575 891 627">X</td> <td data-bbox="891 575 1019 627"></td> <td data-bbox="1019 575 1149 627"></td> <td data-bbox="1149 575 1354 627"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="349 627 748 674"><i>Total</i></td> <td data-bbox="748 627 891 674">4</td> <td data-bbox="891 627 1019 674"></td> <td data-bbox="1019 627 1149 674">1</td> <td data-bbox="1149 627 1354 674"></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	MEMBERS	AYE	NO	ABSENT	NOT VOTING	Thurmond (Chair)	X				Ting			X		Chiu	X				Oberholte	X				Harper	X				<i>Total</i>	4		1	
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<p>ISSUE 8</p>	<p>CALFRESH AND FOOD ASSISTANCE: ADVOCACY REQUEST FOR STATE EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM</p> <p>These issues were held open.</p>																																			
<p>ISSUE 9</p>	<p>IMMIGRATION SERVICES: IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE AND ADVOCACY REQUEST</p> <p>This proposal was held open pending decisions at the May Revision.</p>																																			

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ISSUE 10	<p>CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES: PROGRAM AND BUDGET REVIEW AND GOVERNOR'S PROPOSALS FOR 2016-17</p> <p><b>Action Taken:</b></p> <p>Approval of the proposed trailer bill language as placeholder, removing the language that reads that this statutory clarification is declarative of existing law, as this is unnecessary. Refinements to the language may be made consistent with this action in the trailer bill process if any technical issues are raised.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="349 714 1356 1083"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="349 714 747 766">MEMBERS</th> <th data-bbox="747 714 889 766">AYE</th> <th data-bbox="889 714 1019 766">NO</th> <th data-bbox="1019 714 1149 766">ABSENT</th> <th data-bbox="1149 714 1356 766">NOT VOTING</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="349 766 747 829">Thurmond (Chair)</td> <td data-bbox="747 766 889 829">X</td> <td data-bbox="889 766 1019 829"></td> <td data-bbox="1019 766 1149 829"></td> <td data-bbox="1149 766 1356 829"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="349 829 747 882">Ting</td> <td data-bbox="747 829 889 882"></td> <td data-bbox="889 829 1019 882"></td> <td data-bbox="1019 829 1149 882">X</td> <td data-bbox="1149 829 1356 882"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="349 882 747 934">Chiu</td> <td data-bbox="747 882 889 934">X</td> <td data-bbox="889 882 1019 934"></td> <td data-bbox="1019 882 1149 934"></td> <td data-bbox="1149 882 1356 934"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="349 934 747 987">Oberholte</td> <td data-bbox="747 934 889 987">X</td> <td data-bbox="889 934 1019 987"></td> <td data-bbox="1019 934 1149 987"></td> <td data-bbox="1149 934 1356 987"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="349 987 747 1039">Harper</td> <td data-bbox="747 987 889 1039">X</td> <td data-bbox="889 987 1019 1039"></td> <td data-bbox="1019 987 1149 1039"></td> <td data-bbox="1149 987 1356 1039"></td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="349 1039 747 1083"><i>Total</i></td> <td data-bbox="747 1039 889 1083">4</td> <td data-bbox="889 1039 1019 1083"></td> <td data-bbox="1019 1039 1149 1083">1</td> <td data-bbox="1149 1039 1356 1083"></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>				MEMBERS	AYE	NO	ABSENT	NOT VOTING	Thurmond (Chair)	X				Ting			X		Chiu	X				Oberholte	X				Harper	X				<i>Total</i>	4		1	
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