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VOTE-ONLY ITEMS

0530 California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS)			
Item	Proposal Name	Proposal Description	Staff Recommendation
1	Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Project (GB BCP)	The Governor's Budget requests three positions and expenditure authority from the CalHHS Automation Fund of \$480,000 in 2022-23 and 2023-24. If approved, these positions and resources would allow the Office of Systems Integration (OSI) to effectively manage three new electronic benefit transfer (EBT) projects, meet stakeholder demands, and maintain the level of operations required for the state's benefit recipients. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on April 6, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
2	Cybersecurity Program Augmentation (GB BCP)	The Governor's Budget requests two positions and expenditure authority from the California Health and Human Services Automation Fund of \$993,000 annually. If approved, these positions and resources would allow OSI to respond to cybersecurity attacks and address security and privacy risks identified by state and other security assessments. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on April 6, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
3	Center for Data Insights and Innovation (CDII) Renaming of Fund in H&S Code (GB TBL)	The fund name is proposed to be changed to the Health Plan Improvement Fund to acknowledge the new functions of the Center for Data Insights and Innovation and differentiate it from the Office of the Patient Advocate, pursuant to the changes made in Chapter 696, Statutes of 2021 (AB 172). As such, the 2022-23 Governor's Budget includes a proposal to rename the fund in Health and Safety Code section 130208. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on April 6, 2022.	Approve Governor's trailer bill language, as placeholder to allow for further edits in the trailer bill process.
4	Equity Implementation (April BCP)	CalHHS requests General Fund expenditure authority of \$500,000 in 2022-23 (no positions) to coordinate and support the development of a CalHHS Equity Strategic Plan to reduce health inequities and disparities in CalHHS programs. Specifically, these resources would support a contractor that would coordinate a stakeholder-driven, strategic planning process to develop a common understanding of barriers to equity across CalHHS departments and offices. This planning process would last two years and would result in a CalHHS Equity Strategic Plan with documented strategic goals and objectives, and an organizational commitment to equity in policies, programs, and procedures. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted, with Budget Bill Language requiring check-ins with legislative staff in health and human services at intervals to be determined in conjunction with the Administration and a legislative briefing on the report once finalized.

0530 California Health and Human Services Agency (CHHS)			
Item	Proposal Name	Proposal Description	Staff Recommendation
5	Office of Resilience and Response (April BCP, requesting TBL)	CalHHS requests nine positions and General Fund expenditure authority of \$2.6 million in 2022-23, 2023-24, and 2024-25. If approved, these positions and resources would allow CalHHS to establish an Office of Resilience and Response to coordinate emergency management and natural disaster resilience functions across CalHHS departments and offices. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted, contingent upon adoption of placeholder trailer bill language from the Administration detailing definitions, purpose, timelines for implementation, and outcomes tracking and reporting.
6	Technical Adjustments (April Finance Letter)	This is a series of smaller technical adjustments to the budget bill regarding reappropriations, expenditure authority, and reimbursement authority. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
7	Enterprise Capabilities (April BCP)	The CalHHS Office of Systems Integration (OSI) requests eight positions and General Fund expenditure authority of \$2.9 million in 2022-23 and \$2.5 million annually thereafter. If approved, the Administration asserts that these positions and resources would allow OSI to realign resources and enhance enterprise-wide capabilities across CalHHS and to improve project delivery outcomes and technical service capabilities, including expansion of technology consulting services and the formation of a Systems Integration Center of Excellence. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted, with Budget Bill Language requiring reporting on benefits to clients and which programs improved as a result of the resources at regular intervals to be determined in conjunction with the Administration.

4170 California Department of Aging (CDA)			
Item	Proposal Name	Proposal Description	Staff Recommendation
8	Administrative Workload (GB BCP)	CDA requests \$536,000 General Fund in 2022-23 and \$512,000 General Fund in 2023-24 and ongoing to support four permanent positions to address increased administrative workload related to the recent growth of the department and the ongoing implementation of the Master Plan for Aging. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on March 23, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
9	Technical Adjustment for Position Authority (GB BCP)	CDA requests position authority for eight permanent positions that previously have been established temporary help positions. CDA has identified existing, ongoing funding for these positions and requests position authority only. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on March 23, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
10	Master Plan for Aging Implementation (GB BCP)	CDA requests \$2 million General Fund in 2022-23 and \$1.9 million General Fund ongoing to support twelve permanent positions to continue implementation of the Master Plan for Aging specific to three areas: data, policy, and equity; communications; and to establish a State Public Conservator Liaison within the department. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on March 23, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted

4180 California Commission on Aging (CCA)			
Item	Proposal Name	Proposal Description	Staff Recommendation
11	Statutory Mandate and Master Plan for Aging Workload	CCA requests two permanent positions and an increase in federal fund authority of \$309,000 in 2022-23 and \$297,000 ongoing to support the Commission in fulfilling statutory obligations and increased workload associated with Master Plan for Aging implementation. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on March 23, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted

4300 Department of Developmental Services (DDS)			
Item	Proposal Name	Proposal Description	Staff Recommendation
12	Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) American Rescue Plan (ARPA) Act (GB)	This DDS item implements approximately \$1.6 billion total funds (\$1.1 billion ARPA) as HCBS funding made available by ARPA through 2023-24. The funding is allocated to six initiatives: Service Provider Rate Reform, Social Recreation and Camp Services, Language Access and Cultural Competency, Coordinated Family Support Services, Enhanced Community Integration for Children and Adolescents, and Modernization of Developmental Services Information Technology Systems. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
13	Enrolling Vendors as Medicaid Providers (GB)	DDS proposes \$550,000 General Fund, \$400,000 General Fund ongoing to support screening activities for regional centers and vendors, staffing to coordinate screening, and contract resources to conduct the federal database checks. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
14	Fairview and Sonoma Developmental Centers (GB)	DDS proposes \$18.2 million (\$11.7 million General Fund) to extend the warm shutdown for Sonoma Developmental Center and Fairview Developmental Center. DDS proposes an extension of reimbursement authority to support the warm shutdown at Sonoma Developmental Center (SDC) through June 30, 2023. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
15	Support for SANDIS Case Management (GB)	DDS proposes \$250,000 General Fund through 2024-2025 to support data workload resulting from planned DDS system changes and recent initiatives. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted

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Item	Proposal Name	Proposal Description	Staff Recommendation
16	Compliance with Federal Medicaid and HCBS Requirements (GB BCP)	DDS proposes \$1.2 million (\$993,000 General Fund) in 2022-23 and \$811,000 (\$669,000 General Fund) ongoing for five (5.0) permanent positions and one-year limited-term resources equivalent to three (3.0) positions to comply with federal requirements necessary for continued federal funding for Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) programs. This request includes \$100,000 General Fund to establish an interagency agreement with the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD) to support legislative reporting requirements on the effectiveness of the Self-Determination Program. The budget has provided \$11 million General Fund annually since 2016-17 (\$66 million cumulatively to date) to assist service providers in making necessary changes to their programs to become compliant with new federal rules. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 9, 2022.	Adopt budget bill language requiring the department to provide monthly updates on 1) providers that have completed self-assessments, 2) providers that have been the subject of onsite assessments, 3) providers that are in full compliance with the HCBS Final Rule, and 4) providers that are not in compliance. Monthly updates would begin in July 2022 and continue until March 2023, when the state is required to be in full compliance with this rule. Updates will occur in a format and manner to be agreed upon by the Administration and legislative staff.
17	Clinical Monitoring Team Support for Specialized Community Homes (GB BCP)	DDS proposes \$698,000 (\$558,000 General Fund) and five (5.0) permanent positions in 2022-23 and ongoing to support the development and monitoring of specialized community homes and services for consumers currently placed in, or at risk for placement in, congregate/institutional type settings and/or consumers in crisis. The specialized community homes include Adult Residential Facilities for Persons with Special Health Care Needs (ARFPSHNs), Group Homes for Children with Special Health Care Needs (GHCSHNs), Enhanced Behavioral Supports Homes (EBSHs), and Community Crisis Homes (CCHs). This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
18	Safety Net Program Support (GB BCP)	DDS proposes \$546,000 (\$437,000 General Fund) in 2022-23 and ongoing for three (3.0) permanent positions to enhance the developmental services safety net program. One (1.0) Staff Services Manager II (SSM II) and one (1.0) Research Data Specialist I (RDS I) would support the enhancement of the safety net program for all consumers and one (1.0) Career Executive Assignment A would serve as an aging inclusion specialist that focuses on resource and navigation needs of consumers and/or their caregivers who are aging. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted

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19	Administrative Support for Stabilization, Training, Assistance, and Reintegration (STAR), Crisis Assessment and Stabilization Teams (CAST), and Protective Services (GB BCP)	DDS proposes \$968,000 (\$774,000 General Fund) for seven (7.0) permanent positions in 2022-23 to provide administrative support for STAR and CAST facilities, protective services, and related workload increases as the STAR homes move to community settings. These resources are intended to meet the growing procurement and human resources workload as STAR/CAST programs grow to seven homes and approximately 220 care and clinical staff. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
20	Information Security Staffing Support (GB BCP)	DDS proposes \$905,000 (\$774,000 General Fund) in 2022-23 and ongoing funding for four (4.0) permanent positions and cybersecurity consulting services, to meet federal and state information technology risk and compliance requirements, operate and maintain DDS' security systems infrastructure, and support the increasingly complex technology and data needs of DDS' business programs. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
21	Reimbursement System Project (RSP) Implementation and Maintenance and Operation Costs (GB BCP)	DDS proposes funding of \$428,000 (\$342,000 General Fund) ongoing for two (2.0) Information Technology Specialist II (ITS II) permanent positions in 2022-23, reappropriation of \$6.1 million General Fund from 2021-22 to 2022-23 and one-time funding of \$1.7 million General Fund in 2023-24 for Maintenance and Operation (M&O), which begin in 2022-23. RSP Stage 4 was approved by the Department of Technology on March 24, 2021. The project plans for a phased-in transition of DDS' current federally funded programs into the new reimbursement system in 2022-23. It is estimated that both Home and Community-Based Services Waivers as well as the 1915(i) state plan amendment billing will transition in the first quarter of 2022-23 with other programs completed by the third quarter. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted

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22	Porterville Developmental Center: Install Fire Sprinkler System Reappropriation (GB BCP)	DDS proposes the reappropriation of construction funding of \$3,905,000 General Fund from fiscal year 2021-22 to 2022-23. The working drawings and construction phases for installation of an automatic fire sprinkler system in nine (9) residences in the Secure Treatment Area (STA) at Porterville Developmental Center were previously approved in the fiscal year 21/22 enacted budget. This request ensures the Department's ability to move forward with the project to correct the identified fire sprinkler deficiency, as mandated by the State Fire Marshal to maintain occupancy of the residence buildings. The reappropriation is needed because the project schedule has been delayed as access to the facility has been restricted due to COVID. The Department of General Services anticipates approval of working drawings by August 2022 and start of construction by December 2022. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
23	Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Phase II (GB BCP)	DDS proposes multi-departmental funding, including a portion for DDS, of \$13 million (\$3.9 million General Fund) in fiscal year 2022-23 and \$41.1million (\$14.9 million General Fund) for fiscal years 2023-24 through 2026-27 for contract services and 19.0 position resources (16.0 permanent and 3.0 limited term), with an ongoing funding need thereafter of \$9.2 million (\$3.3 million General Fund). The DDS portion is 4.0 positions at a cost of \$738k, as part of \$2.3 million General Fund (\$3.6 million total funds) for this component. This request is to ensure the EVV Phase II Project's continued progress towards implementation and operation of an EVV Solution for California required by the federal 21st Century Cures Act while avoiding further federal penalties for failure to meet federal implementation deadlines. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 9, 2022.	Action will be handled under the Health Items for Sub. 1.
24	Resources for e-Signature/e-Forms and Accounting Support (April BCP)	DDS proposes \$436,000 (\$409,000 General Fund) total ongoing and position authority for four permanent positions, and consulting resources in 2022-23 (\$300,000) for implementation and maintenance of an electronic forms (e-Forms) and signature (e-Signature) system. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted

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25	Facility Clinical Software Replacement and Electronic Health Record Implementation (April BCP)	DDS proposes \$1.7 million (\$1.5 million General Fund) in 2022-23; \$2.2 million (\$2 million General Fund) in 2023-24; and \$223,000 (\$178,000 General Fund) ongoing, to plan for the replacement of clinical software used at state-operated residential facilities. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
26	Extension of Self-Determination Program (SDP) Report (GB TBL)	DDS proposes to move the date of the report six months forward from December 31, 2022 to June 30, 2023. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 9, 2022.	Approve Governor's trailer bill language, as placeholder to allow for further edits in the trailer bill process.
27	018 Deferred Maintenance - Reappropriation (SFL)	DDS requests that Item 4300-490 be amended to reappropriate deferred maintenance funding appropriated in the 2018 Budget Act and reappropriated in the 2021 Budget Act, extending the encumbrance period to June 30, 2023. Additional time is needed to complete the replacement of air handlers due to project delays, including COVID-19 Pandemic-related impacts.	Approve as Budgeted

4700 Department of Community Services and Development (CSD)			
Item	Proposal Name	Proposal Description	Staff Recommendation
28	Headquarters Position Authority (GB BCP)	CSD proposes a shift of seven full-time positions from the temporary help blanket to the department's permanent position authority. There is no funding associated with this request as it is a shift of position authority within the department's existing budget. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on April 6, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted

5160 Department of Rehabilitation (DOR)			
Item	Proposal Name	Proposal Description	Staff Recommendation
29	Disability Innovation Fund – Pathways to Success Program (April BCP)	DOR requests \$3.7 million in federal fund authority per year for five fiscal years to perform project activities and provide program oversight required under the federal grant Disability Innovation Fund: Pathways to Success Project. It is also requested that provisional language be added to the budget bill to make the grant funds available for encumbrance or expenditure through September 30, 2026, to provide flexibility for the department to expend the funds by the end of the grant period. The department received a grant award of \$18.4 million from the federal Disability Innovation Fund for this program and is anticipating expending \$3.7 million annually over five years. The grant is funded by the U.S. Department of Education’s Rehabilitation Services Administration (RSA) and was awarded on September 28, 2021. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted

5175 Department of Child Support Services (DCSS)			
Item	Proposal Name	Proposal Description	Staff Recommendation
30	Child Support Federal Final Rule: Non-Custodial Parent Capacity to Pay (GB TBL)	The Governor’s Budget proposes trailer bill language to bring the state into compliance with federal rules, including components that address 1) requirements to consider known specific circumstances of the non-custodial parent, 2) ability to consider income history as a known specific circumstance, 3) ability to impute income based on earning capacity in the initial pleadings, 4) low-income adjustment or self-sufficiency reserve, and 5) modification for incarcerated parents.	Adopt placeholder language enacting what is minimally necessary for the state to come into compliance with the federal Final Rule. The language will do the following: 1) make necessary changes for ongoing suspension of support for incarcerated obligors, 2) require the department to develop forms to implement changes to support obligations for incarcerated obligors by July 1, 2023, 3) list required factors to be considered during the review of the statewide uniform guideline, 4) allow Judicial Council to report on the effectiveness of suspension of support for incarcerated obligors in reducing arrears and increasing support payments, and 5) direct the department and Judicial Council to report to the Legislature by January 1, 2023, additional legislative changes to comply with federal child support regulations, to be considered through the policy process.

5180 Department of Social Services (DSS)			
Item	Proposal Name	Proposal Description	Staff Recommendation
31	CalWORKs Benefits for Afghan Arrivals (GB)	DSS requests \$36.5 million in 2021-22 and \$80.5 million in 2022-23 in CalWORKs benefits, employment services, and child care for 20,000 Afghan arrivals (adults with children), beginning September 2021. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 23, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
32	IHSS Minimum Wage Adjustment (GB)	DSS proposes \$192 million General Fund in 2021-22 and \$399 million in 2022-23 to reflect increased minimum wage costs in the IHSS program due to the \$15-per-hour state minimum wage, effective January 1, 2022. Average monthly caseload in the IHSS program is estimated to be 599,000 recipients in 2022-23. This proposal was not heard by the Subcommittee.	Approve as Budgeted
33	Support for Foster Youth Independence Pilot Program Participants (GB)	DSS proposes \$1 million one-time General Fund, available over two years, for county child welfare agencies to provide case management and support services for former foster youth utilizing federal housing choice vouchers in the Foster Youth Independence Pilot Program. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on March 23, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
34	Technical Assistance Training for Services to Unaccompanied Minors (GB)	DSS proposes \$1 million (\$750,000 General Fund) ongoing to provide additional technical assistance and training to counties in meeting the needs for children in foster care and unaccompanied minors to be connected to permanent family. This proposal was not heard by the Subcommittee.	Approve as Budgeted
35	Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) Permanent Resources (GB BCP)	DSS proposes \$1.5 million General Fund for seven permanent positions to administer the EVV and IHSS social worker training. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on March 23, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
36	Adult Protective Services (APS) Expansion (GB BCP)	DSS proposes position authority for five permanent positions to assist with the program expansion authorized in the 2021 Budget Act. No funding is associated with this request. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on March 23, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
37	Community Care Licensing (CCL) Workload (GB BCP)	DSS proposes \$1.3 million General Fund ongoing for eight (8.0) permanent positions to support and provide expertise to the Community Care Licensing Division Regional Offices in the Adult and Senior Care Program, Child Care Program, and Children's Residential Program. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on March 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted

5180 Department of Social Services (DSS)			
Item	Proposal Name	Proposal Description	Staff Recommendation
38	Hearings Workload and Legal Infrastructure Support (GB BCP)	DSS proposes \$6.4 million (\$3.2 million General Fund) in 2022-23 and \$6.2 million (\$3.1 million General Fund) ongoing for 32.5 permanent positions to support new workload associated with fair hearing processes for the Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) and to manage current workload in the State Hearings Division (SHD) and Legal Division. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on April 6, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
39	Interagency Advisory Committee on Apprenticeship (GB BCP)	DSS proposes \$174,000 General Fund for one (1.0) position to support the Interagency Advisory Committee on Apprenticeship (IACA), as mandated by Assembly Bill (AB) 565 (Chapter 194, Statutes of 2021). This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on March 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
40	Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) Implementation (GB BCP)	DSS proposes \$352,000 General Fund ongoing to support two (2.0) positions that will help implement new requirements and assist grantees with collecting and reporting data into the Homeless Management Information System, to meet the statutory obligations associated with Assembly Bill 977 (Chapter 397, Statutes of 2021). This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 23, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
41	Administration Division Infrastructure (GB BCP)	DSS requests 38.0 permanent positions and associated expenditure authority to address the growing workload and resource shortages in the human services and fiscal areas. The requested resources total \$6.14 million total funds, of which \$3 million is General Fund. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on April 6, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
42	Civil Rights Accessibility, and Racial Equity and Immigrant Integration (GB BCP)	DSS requests permanent resources to fulfill its civil rights compliance reviews and complaints obligations as well as provide support to immigrants, asylees, and vulnerable noncitizens. DSS requests permanent resources for 13 positions. Requested resources total \$4.82 million General Fund in 2022-23, falling to \$2.14 million General Fund in 2024-25 and on-going, to fulfill the DSS's civil rights compliance reviews and complaint obligations necessary under laws and regulations as well as provide support to immigrants, asylees, and vulnerable noncitizens. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 23, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted

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43	Foster Care Placement Services (GB BCP)	DSS requests \$1 million each year for three years, beginning in 2022-23, to fund six temporary positions to address the workload associated with developing a Congregate Care Continuous Quality Improvement framework to increase oversight and accountability of foster care placement services. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on March 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
44	Foster Youth Resource Family Approval Exemptions (GB BCP)	DSS requests \$729,000 in 2022-23 and \$687,000 in 2023-24 and on-going for five permanent positions to implement statutory changes related to the criminal exemption process for resource family applicants, relative placement applicants, and non-relative extended family applicants, as mandated by Senate Bill (SB) 354 (Chapter 687, Statutes of 2021). This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on March 9, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
45	Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) Fraud and Theft Prevention (April BCP)	DSS proposes \$680,000 (\$221,000 General Fund) and four (4.0) permanent positions to monitor, investigate, and support criminal prosecution of EBT theft of public assistance funds at the state level. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted, with request for an update on implementation of additional anti-fraud measures, identified fraud activities ascertained per ongoing investigations, positions filled, and updated trends on monthly benefits reimbursement after six months, at January 2023.
46	County Expense Claim Reporting Information System (CECRIS) (April BCP)	DSS proposes \$2 million (\$880,000 General Fund in 2022-23; \$713,000 (\$306,000 General Fund) in 2023-24; and four (4.0) two-year limited term positions to support the continued development and maintenance and operation of CECRIS. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
47	Migrating Data from Legacy Systems (April BCP)	DSS proposes \$1.5 million General Fund and two one-year limited term positions to complete the project to migrate data existing systems to the new staging relational database. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
48	Strengthening Emergency Capacity and Capabilities (April BCP)	DSS proposes \$2.3 million and 12 permanent positions to strengthen disaster services capabilities to respond to and recover from increasingly complex disasters and emergency events. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
49	Refugee Programs Bureau Operations Support (April BCP)	DSS proposes \$3.1 million and 18 permanent positions to support the Refugee Resettlement Program and meet increased caseload pressures. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted

5180 Department of Social Services (DSS)			
Item	Proposal Name	Proposal Description	Staff Recommendation
50	Child and Family Services Acute Review and Response (April BCP)	DSS requests two (2.0) permanent positions to review and respond to statewide trends in emergent safety and well-being concerns raised for children in the Child Welfare System, at a cost of \$351,000 (\$257,000 General Fund). Through the process of case reviews and other work related to these oversight responsibilities, DSS has identified trends, including that, in some parts of the state, children under the age of six are experiencing stays in shelters beyond the maximum of six months and that many youth are staying in Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Programs (STRTP) longer than is necessary to meet their treatment needs. The intention is for these dedicated resources to be able to better respond in addressing these trends. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted, with Budget Bill Language requiring an on-going outcomes assessment reported periodically, pursuant to discussions with the department, starting in 2022-23, tracking progress on the key metrics of shelter stays for children under six and overstays for youth at STRTPs.
51	Increasing Support for CalWORKs Program Innovation (April BCP)	DSS requests ongoing resources to support seven (7.0) permanent positions to further support CalWORKs Outcomes and Accountability Review (Cal-OAR) implementation at a cost of \$1.23 million General Fund. The staff requested will support these initiatives to ensure Cal-OAR is fully supported on the new five-year cycle. Currently Cal-OAR only has one authorized position within the CalWORKs and Family Resilience Branch. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on May 4, 2022.	Approve as Budgeted
52	Addressing Extreme Heat (April BCP)	DSS requests four limited-term positions to support: regulation development, quality management and data collection, program implementation and program oversight and evaluation, at a one-time cost of \$8.5 million General Fund over two years. Additionally, DSS is requesting contracted resources to support mitigation strategies (e.g., shade, generators, repairs, etc.) for facilities that may not have the resources to prevent heat related illness. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on My 4, 2022.	Defer to action to be taken in Sub. 3.
53	CalWORKs Home Visiting: Increase One-Time Program Participant (GB TBL)	DSS proposes changing the amount of the family support stipend from \$500 to \$1,000 in the CalWORKs Home Visiting Program statute. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on February 23, 2022.	Approve Governor's trailer bill language, as placeholder to allow for further edits in the trailer bill process.
54	Employer of IHSS Providers (GB TBL)	DSS proposes to create definitions for IHSS providers. This proposal was heard by the Subcommittee on March 23, 2022.	No action on Governor's trailer bill language proposal, defer to policy process.

5180 Department of Social Services (DSS)			
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55	Remove Impediment to Cal-OAR Implementation by Repealing CalWORKs WPR County Penalty	Repeal of Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) Section 10544 to allow the Cal-OAR process and CalWORKs 2.0 to fully implement at the local level in the effort to address two-generational poverty and achieve greater equity for the children and participants served by the program, in alignment with the CalWORKs Policy Alignment report, released on April 1, 2022, the goals of the DSS Office of Equity, and the equity-anchored, person-centered approach fostered by the California Health and Human Services Agency. This issue was heard by the Subcommittee on February 23 and April 6, 2022.	Approve trailer bill language to repeal WIC Section 10544.