

UPDATE ON BILLS SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR.

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Chaptered Legislative Bills

AB 107 – Salas, Licensure: Veterans and Military spouses.

This bill would require all boards/bureaus within DCA to issue temporary licenses to military spouses meeting specified criteria; require those temporary licenses to be issued within 30 days of receiving an application if the results of a criminal background check do not show grounds for denial; and require any regulations needed to implement this bill be submitted to the DCA by June 15, 2022.

AB 457 – Santiago, Protection of Patient Choice in Telehealth Provider Act

This bill would provide that the payment or receipt of consideration for internet-based advertising, appointment booking, or any service that provides information and resources to prospective patients of licensees does not constitute a referral of a patient if the internet-based service provider does not recommend or endorse a specific licensee to a prospective patient. This bill would delete that date restriction, thereby extending the telehealth reimbursement parity requirement for all contracts between a health care service plan or a health insurer and a health care provider.

AB 468 – Friedman, Emotional Support Animals

This bill would prohibit a health care practitioner from providing documentation relating to an individual's need for an emotional support dog that is not a service dog unless the health care practitioner complies with specified requirements.

AB 1291 – Frazier, State Bodies: Open Meetings

This bill would require a state body, when it limits time for public comment, to provide at least twice the allotted time to a member of the public who utilizes translating technology to address the state body. The bill would additionally make technical, nonsubstantive changes.

SB 391 – Min, Common interest developments: emergency powers and procedures.

This bill would establish alternative teleconferencing procedures for a board meeting or a meeting of the members if gathering in person is unsafe or impossible because the common interest development is in an area affected by a federal, state, or local emergency. The bill would also make a conforming change.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

SB 607 – Min, Business and Professions

Existing law requires a board within the department to expedite the licensure process for an applicant who holds a current license in another jurisdiction in the same profession or vocation and who supplies satisfactory evidence of being married to, or in a domestic partnership or other legal union with, an active duty member of the Armed Forces of the United States who is assigned to a duty station in California under official active duty military orders.