

Senate Bill No. 1833

CHAPTER 77

An act to amend Item 5180-151-0001 of Section 2.00 of the Budget Act of 2001, relating to public social services, and making an appropriation therefor, to take effect immediately as an appropriation for the usual current expenses of the state.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1833, Peace. Budget Act of 2001: public social services.

The Budget Act of 2001 appropriated \$726,494,000 from the General Fund to the State Department of Social Services for expenditure for local assistance, including children's services, special programs, and community care licensing.

This bill would increase this appropriation to \$753,619,000, as scheduled, and make related changes.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as a statute providing an appropriation for the usual current expenses of the state.

Appropriation: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Item 5180-151-0001 of Section 2.00 of Chapter 106 of the Statutes of 2001 is amended to read:

5180-151-0001—For local assistance, Department of Social Services	753,619,000
Schedule:	
(1) 25.25—Children's Services	1,808,738,000
(a) 25.25.010—Child Welfare Services ...	1,699,796,000
(b) 25.25.020—Adop-tions	88,959,000



(c) 25.25.030– Child Abuse Preven- tion	19,983,000	
(2) 25.35–Special Programs		122,917,000
(a) 25.35.010– Specialized Services . . .	5,644,000	
(b) 25.35.020– Access Assis- tance for the Deaf	5,804,000	
(c) 25.35.030– Maternity Care	600,000	
(d) 25.35.040– Refugee As- sistance Ser- vices	19,343,000	
(e) 25.35.050– County Ser- vices Block Grant	91,526,000	
(3) 25.45–Community Care Licen- sing	16,310,000	
(4) Reimbursements		–57,772,000
(5) Amount payable from the Child Health and Safety Fund (Item 5180–151–0279)		–432,000
(6) Amount payable from the Federal Trust Fund (Item 5180–151– 0890)		–1,136,142,000

Provisions:

1. Provision 1 of Item 5180–101–0001 also applies to this item.
2. Notwithstanding Chapter 1 (commencing with Section 18000) of Part 6 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, a loan not to exceed \$50,000,000 shall be made available from the General Fund from funds not otherwise appropriated, to cover the federal share of costs of a program(s) when the federal funds have not been received by this state prior to the usual time for transmitting that federal share to the counties of this



- state. That loan from the General Fund shall be repaid when the federal share of costs for the program(s) becomes available.
3. The Department of Finance may authorize the establishment of positions and transfer of amounts from this item to Item 5180-001-0001, in order to allow the state to perform the facilities evaluation function of Community Care Licensing in the event the counties fail to perform that function.
 4. The Department of Finance may authorize the transfer of amounts between this item and Item 5180-111-0001 in order to reflect modifications in the use of Title XX funds. The funds shall not be approved sooner than 30 days after notification in writing of the necessity therefor to the chairperson of the committee in each house that considers appropriations and the Chairperson of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, or such lesser time as the chairpersons of the committees, or their designees, may in each instance jointly determine.
 5. Nonfederal funds appropriated in this item which have been budgeted to meet the state's Temporary Assistance for Needy Families maintenance-of-effort requirement established pursuant to the federal Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-193) may not be expended in any way that would cause their disqualification as a federally allowable maintenance-of-effort expenditure.
 6. Of the amount appropriated in this item, \$123,834,000 shall be provided to counties to fund additional child welfare service activities and shall be allocated based on child welfare services caseload and county unit costs. However no county shall receive less than \$100,000. These funds shall be expressly targeted for emergency response, family reunification, family maintenance and permanent placement services and shall be used to supplement, and shall not be used to supplant, child welfare services funds. A county is not required to provide a match of the funds received pursuant to this provision if the county appropriates the required full match for the county's child welfare services program exclusive of the funds received pursuant to this provision. These funds are available only to counties that have certified that they are fully utilizing the Child Welfare Services/Case



Management System (CSW/CMS) or have entered into an agreed upon plan with the State Department of Social Services outlining the steps that will be taken to achieve full utilization. The department shall reallocate any funds that counties choose not to accept under this provision, to other counties based on the allocation formula specified in this provision.

The department, in collaboration with the County Welfare Directors Association and representatives from labor groups representing social workers, shall develop the definition of full utilization of the CWS/CMS, the method for measuring full utilization, the process for the state and counties to work together to move counties toward full utilization, and measurements of progress toward full utilization.

7. In order to receive state funding for adult protective service programs, counties shall participate in the quarterly claims processing, payment, and reporting system developed by the State Department of Social Services for the adult protective services program.
8. Of the amount appropriated in this item, \$1,200,000 shall be provided to counties for the purpose of maintaining and operating Live Scan equipment in county welfare departments. The counties shall utilize this equipment to perform criminal background checks of relatives, foster parents, and others for whom criminal record checks are required when the county is considering a foster child placement. The State Department of Social Services shall allocate these funds to the counties to enable the most efficient use of the equipment. Counties shall not be required to provide a match for these funds if the funds are used exclusively for the maintenance and operation of Live Scan equipment in the Foster Care Program.
9. The Department of Finance may authorize the establishment of positions and transfer of amounts from this item to Item 5180-001-0001, in order to allow the state to perform the adoptions function in the event that a county notifies the State Department of Social Services that it intends to cease performing that function.
10. Of the funds appropriated in this item, \$1,500,000 shall be for the pilot of the Internet based Health and Education Passport in the County of Los Angeles, to



collect and maintain health and education records for children in the foster care system, as required by Section 16010 of the Welfare and Institutions Code. Of this amount, the Department of Finance may transfer up to \$500,000 to Item 5180-001-0001 for support of the State Department of Social Services, to provide technical assistance in preparation of the Advance Planning Document, provide Independent Verification and Validation to ensure SACWIS compliance, and to ensure that the project meets federal and state guidelines and privacy requirements.

11. Of the funds appropriated in this item, \$1,877,831 shall be used to pay the county share of costs for case management activities for the Emergency Assistance Program pursuant to Section 15204.25 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.

SEC. 2. This act makes an appropriation for the usual current expenses of the state within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect.

