

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1704**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member La Malfa**

February 23, 2007

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An act to amend Section 12300.1 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to social services.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1704, as introduced, La Malfa. In-home supportive services.

Existing law provides for the In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program, under which qualified aged, blind, and disabled persons receive services enabling them to remain in their own homes. Existing law permits services to be provided under the IHSS program either through the employment of individual providers, a contract between the county and an entity for the provision of services, the creation by the county of a public authority, or a contract between the county and a nonprofit consortium.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 12300.1 of the Welfare and Institutions
- 2 Code is amended to read:
- 3 12300.1. As used in Section 12300 and in this article,
- 4 “supportive services” include those necessary paramedical services
- 5 that are ordered by a licensed health care professional who is
- 6 lawfully authorized to do so, ~~which~~ *that* persons could provide for

1 themselves but for their functional limitations. Paramedical services  
2 include the administration of medications, puncturing the skin or  
3 inserting a medical device into a body orifice, activities requiring  
4 sterile procedures, or other activities requiring judgment based on  
5 training given by a licensed health care professional. These  
6 necessary services shall be rendered by a provider under the  
7 direction of a licensed health care professional, subject to the  
8 informed consent of the recipient obtained as a part of the order  
9 for service. Any and all references to Section 12300 *of this code*  
10 in any statute heretofore or hereafter enacted shall be deemed to  
11 *also* be references to this section. All statutory references to the  
12 supportive services specified in Section 12300 shall be deemed to  
13 *also* include paramedical services.

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