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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2011–12 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 683

**Introduced by Assembly Member Ammiano
(Coauthors: Assembly Members Atkins, Hueso, and Torres)**

February 17, 2011

An act to add Chapter 6.1 (commencing with Section 13710) to Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to homeless persons.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 683, as amended, Ammiano. Homelessness.

Under existing law, various agencies administer programs for the support of homeless persons.

This bill would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to create a state-~~deidentified~~ homeless integrated data warehouse to compile *prescribed* data from collaborative agencies' Homeless Management Information Systems for the purpose of developing a composite portrayal of the homeless population in the state, as well as the services currently provided to people who are homeless. The bill would also require the department to cooperate and collaborate with other specified agencies, as necessary, to create a ~~deidentified~~ *an* integrated data warehouse comprised of specified information on the homeless population, the services provided to them, and the annual costs of those services *and would require participating agencies to submit data at least quarterly. The bill would require the*

department to facilitate the creation of a users’ group to ensure quality, relevance, and appropriate access to integrated data, as specified. Implementation of the bill would be contingent upon sufficient federal and private funds being received to create the homeless integrated data warehouse.

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

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 6.1 (commencing with Section 13710)
2 is added to Part 3 of Division 9 of the Welfare and Institutions
3 Code, to read:

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5 CHAPTER 6.1. HOMELESS INTEGRATED DATA WAREHOUSE
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7 13710. (a) The Department of Housing and Community
8 Development shall do ~~both~~ all of the following:

9 (1) Create a state ~~deidentified~~ homeless integrated data
10 warehouse, in accordance with Strategy 1.2 of California’s Ten
11 Year Chronic Homelessness Action Plan, to compile data from
12 collaborative agencies’ Homeless Management Information
13 Systems. This data warehouse shall serve the purpose of developing
14 a composite portrayal of the homeless population in the state, as
15 well as the services currently provided to people who are homeless:
16 *or who are at risk of becoming homeless and who are receiving*
17 *prevention services. Information compiled shall include, but not*
18 *be limited to, all of the following:*

19 (A) *Basic demographic information about people experiencing*
20 *homelessness or who are at risk of homelessness.*

21 (B) *If available, demographic information should include ethnic*
22 *and racial identity and information based on sexual orientation,*
23 *gender identity, and gender expression.*

24 (C) *The number of individuals with disabilities and the number*
25 *of families with a head of household experiencing a disability who*
26 *have been homeless for at least one year or at least four times in*
27 *the last three years.*

28 (D) *Homeless individuals’ access to benefits.*

29 (E) *The number of individuals and families experiencing*
30 *homelessness.*

- 1 (F) *The number and entry and exit dates of individuals and*
- 2 *families living in emergency housing.*
- 3 (G) *The number and entry and exit dates of homeless individuals*
- 4 *and families living in transitional housing.*
- 5 (H) *The number and entry and exit dates of homeless individuals*
- 6 *and families living in permanent housing.*
- 7 (I) *Last known location or ZIP-code when housed.*
- 8 (J) *Stated reasons for homelessness.*
- 9 (K) *Disability status of people experiencing homelessness.*
- 10 (L) *Veteran status of people experiencing homelessness.*
- 11 (M) *If available, the number of unaccompanied youth*
- 12 *experiencing homelessness.*
- 13 (2) Cooperate and collaborate with each of the following state
- 14 agencies, as necessary, to draft and carry out a strategy to create
- 15 a ~~deidentified~~ *an* integrated data warehouse comprised of
- 16 information from the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation,
- 17 ~~the State Department of Education,~~ the State Department of Health
- 18 Care Services, the State Department of Mental Health, the State
- 19 Department of Social Services, the Department of Veterans Affairs,
- 20 and the State Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs, to
- 21 provide longitudinal, cost-based studies to determine all of the
- 22 following information:
- 23 (A) The number of people imprisoned each year who were
- 24 homeless upon arrest and the costs of their imprisonment.
- 25 (B) The number of parolees experiencing homelessness each
- 26 year and the costs of their parole.
- 27 ~~(C) The number of children in California schools experiencing~~
- 28 ~~homelessness.~~
- 29 ~~(D)~~
- 30 (C) Claims for Medi-Cal emergency department, hospital, and
- 31 nursing home services among people experiencing homelessness,
- 32 and the costs of those claims each year.
- 33 ~~(E)~~
- 34 (D) The number of children receiving foster care services whose
- 35 family members are homeless and the costs of the foster care
- 36 provided to those children each year.
- 37 ~~(F)~~
- 38 (E) Relevant information regarding the number of people who
- 39 are homeless receiving services, the costs of those services, and
- 40 outcomes of those services through the State Department of Mental

1 Health, State Department of Social Services, Department of
2 Veterans Affairs, and State Department of Alcohol and Drug
3 Programs.

4 ~~(G)~~

5 (F) The number of people living in housing funded through
6 programs administered by the Department of Housing and
7 Community Development who were homeless upon admission.

8 (3) *Facilitate the creation of a users' group to ensure quality,*
9 *relevance, and appropriate access to integrated data. This group*
10 *should include, but not be limited to, a minimum of five and a*
11 *maximum of 15 select members of contributing Continua of*
12 *Care/Collaborative Applicants.*

13 (b) *The data warehouse shall meet the requirements of the*
14 *United States Department of Housing and Urban Development's*
15 *Homeless Management Information System Technical Standards*
16 *in protecting privacy.*

17 (c) *After the creation of a data warehouse that includes data*
18 *from the agencies identified in subdivision (a), participating*
19 *agencies shall input data at least every quarter.*

20 ~~(b)~~

21 (d) Local agencies providing services to homeless persons that
22 use a Homeless Management Information System are encouraged
23 to collaborate with the Department of Housing and Community
24 Development in developing the data warehouse pursuant to this
25 chapter.

26 ~~(e)~~

27 (e) This section shall be implemented only when sufficient
28 federal and private funds have been received to create the homeless
29 integrated data warehouse.