

AMENDED IN SENATE SEPTEMBER 3, 2015

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015—16 SECOND EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1

Introduced by Assembly Member Bonta

July 2, 2015

An act relating to social services.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1, as amended, Bonta. Medi-Cal: developmental services: funding.

Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services, under which qualified low-income individuals receive health care services. The Medi-Cal program is, in part, governed and funded by federal Medicaid Program provisions.

The Lanterman Developmental Disabilities Services Act requires the State Department of Developmental Services to contract with regional centers to provide services and supports to individuals with developmental disabilities. Under existing law, the regional centers purchase needed services for individuals with developmental disabilities through approved service providers or arrange for those services through other publicly funded agencies.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation ~~establishing~~ *that establishes* funding sources and mechanisms in order to provide additional support for, and access to, Medi-Cal and developmental ~~services~~. *services and that uses those funding sources and mechanisms to increase access, ensure network adequacy, improve quality, and minimize geographic and service shortages in the Medi-Cal program and to increase access to services provided through regional centers.*

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. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 ~~legislation establishing~~ *that does both of the following:*
- 3 (a) *Establishes* funding sources and mechanisms in order to
- 4 provide additional support for, and access to, Medi-Cal and
- 5 developmental services.
- 6 (b) *Uses the funding sources and mechanisms described in*
- 7 *subdivision (a) to increase access, ensure network adequacy,*
- 8 *improve quality, and minimize geographic and service shortages*
- 9 *in the Medi-Cal program and to increase access to services*
- 10 *provided through regional centers.*

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