

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1183

Introduced by Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal

February 27, 2009

An act to amend Sections 9562 and 9565 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to seniors.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1183, as introduced, Bonnie Lowenthal. Seniors: Multipurpose Senior Services Program.

Existing law, the Mello-Granlund Older Californians Act, establishes the Multipurpose Senior Services Program to provide specified services to frail elderly individuals 65 years of age and older who are certifiable for placement in a nursing facility. Existing law requires the California Department of Aging to administer the program in accordance with an interagency agreement with the State Department of Health Care Services.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

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 9562 of the Welfare and Institutions Code
- 2 is amended to read:
- 3 9562. (a) This chapter shall be administered by the department,
- 4 under the authority of an approved interagency agreement with

1 the State Department of Health *Care* Services, the single state
2 ~~medicaid~~ *Medicaid* agency.

3 (b) To the extent permitted by federal law, each department
4 within the *California* Health and ~~Welfare~~ *Human Services* Agency,
5 including departments designated as single state agencies for the
6 programs described in Section 9561, shall waive regulations and
7 general policies and make resources available which are necessary
8 for the administration of this chapter, upon request of the agency.

9 SEC. 2. Section 9565 of the Welfare and Institutions Code is
10 amended to read:

11 9565. The department shall do all of the following:

12 (a) Enter into agreements and negotiated contracts with ~~any a~~
13 nonprofit organization or governmental entity to operate the local
14 sites, consistent with the criteria adopted pursuant to Section 9563.
15 In letting these contracts, the department shall not anticipate future
16 appropriations.

17 (b) Make grants to local sites from available funds.

18 (c) Monitor local sites.

19 (d) Cause the service sites to be evaluated in accordance with
20 the established criteria.

21 (e) Seek and utilize any available federal, state, or private funds
22 that may be available for carrying out the purposes of this chapter.

23 (f) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, local sites
24 established pursuant to this chapter may contract with the Director
25 of Health *Care* Services as Medi-Cal programs pursuant to Chapter
26 8 (commencing with Section 14200) of Part 3 of Division 9.
27 Contracts with the local sites shall be deemed to be for the purposes
28 specified in Section 14494, and may utilize funds appropriated
29 from the Health Care Deposit Fund pursuant to Section 14157.

30 (g) Assist in coordinating local site programs with local
31 governmental programs and services for older individuals.