



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH COMMISSION

Budget & Legislative Update

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Federal Updates



Item **H.R. 2483 - SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Reauthorization Act of 2025**

Status 9/19/2025 - Passed Senate.

- Summary**
- Renews and strengthens important programs for prevention, treatment, and recovery through 2030.
 - Helps individuals in recovery re-enter the workforce.
 - Reauthorizes specialized programs that treat pregnant and postpartum women with substance use disorders.
 - Reauthorizes comprehensive opioid recovery centers that provide a full spectrum of support services for individuals with substance use disorder.
 - Expands of access to fentanyl and xylazine test strips, a critical tool to help lower overdose deaths
 - Helps more health care workers enter the behavioral health workforce, including measures to expand student loan repayment for focus on addiction medicine and recovery in underserved areas, increasing capacity of recovery programs.
 - Ensures that 9-8-8 Suicide Prevention Lifeline is protected from cybersecurity threats.
 - Trains first responders to administer life-saving opioid overdose reversal medications.

Item **H.R. 5462 - “Michelle Go Act”**

Status 9/18/2025 – Introduced.

Summary

- Amends title XIX of the Social Security Act to revise the definition of institution for mental diseases (IMDs) under the Medicaid program to exclude from such definition institutions having 36 beds or less if such institutions meet certain standards.



State Legislative Report Highlights



Bill **AB 1037 (Elhawary) The Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Care Modernization Act**

Summary The SUD Care Modernization Act would address historical stigmas, outdated policies, and significant statutory barriers to align with evidence-based best practices, enable more successful engagement and treatment of people with SUDs, and ultimately save lives.

Status AB 1037 was enrolled and presented to the Governor on 9/22/25.

Position **DPH Position:** Support
County Position: Support (LA County Sponsored)
CBHDA Position: Support

(Updated as of 10/2/2025)

Bill **AB 309 (Zbur) Hypodermic Needles and Syringes**

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| Summary | Would extend existing laws that authorize syringe services programs (SSPs). AB 309 would eliminate the current January 1, 2026 repeal date of this authorization and the need for future reauthorization. |
| Status | AB 309 was enrolled and presented to the Governor on 9/9/25. |
| Position | DPH Position: Support County Position: Support CBHDA Position: No position taken yet. |

(Updated as of 10/2/2025)

Bill **AB 255 (Haney) The Supportive-Recovery Residence Program**

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| Summary | Would allow state departments or agencies to fund supportive-recovery residences (SRRs) that have been certified by a National Alliance for Recovery Residences (NARR) affiliated organization, comply with Housing First components, and meet other specifications. |
| Status | AB 255 was enrolled and presented to the Governor on 9/16/25. Vetoed by Governor Newsom on 10/1/25. |
| Position | DPH Position: Watch County Position: Watch. CBHDA Position: Support |

(Updated as of 10/2/2025)