

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: 06/28/2012
POSITION: Neutral

BILL NUMBER: SB 1258
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BILL SUMMARY: Department of Veterans Affairs: monitoring outcomes for veterans: Director of Employment Development: disclosure of information.

This bill would require the Department of Veterans Affairs (CDVA) to develop outcome and related indicators for veterans for the purpose of assessing the status of veterans in California, for monitoring the quality of programs intended to serve those veterans, and to guide decision making on how to improve those services.

FISCAL SUMMARY

The CDVA notes that it continuously works on developing metrics for its programs and outcomes. All workload associated with this bill is minor and absorbable from within existing resources.

The Employment Development Department (EDD) notes that all costs associated with providing quarterly wage data to the CDVA will be reimbursed by the CDVA. These costs are expected to be minor and absorbable to the CDVA.

COMMENTS

The Department of Finance is neutral on this bill. This bill would require the CDVA to develop performance measures that will help gauge the performance of veterans' programs operated within the state. Additionally, this bill would allow the CDVA to obtain quarterly wage data from the EDD to facilitate the development of those performance measures.

Current law establishes the CDVA which is responsible for administering various programs and services for the benefit of veterans.

This bill would:

- Require the CDVA to develop outcome and related indicators for veterans for the purpose of assessing the status of veterans in California, for monitoring the quality of programs intended to serve those veterans, and to guide decision making on how to improve those services.
- Require those indicators to include employment and employment related information, incidence of suicide, higher education, involvement with the child welfare system, and involvement with the criminal justice system.
- Authorize the CDVA to receive any data, not restricted by state or federal law, to develop those outcomes and indicators.
- Require the CDVA to prescribe a manner in which to ensure the confidentiality of information received pursuant to this bill.

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COMMENTS (continued)

- Authorize the CDVA to establish one or more advisory bodies to guide and inform the selection of outcome and related indicators and the strategy for developing and reporting those indicators.
- Require the CDVA to report on or before March 1, 2015, all the outcome and related indicators developed pursuant to this bill.
- Authorize the CDVA to receive quarterly wage data from the EDD, to the extent allowable by federal law.

Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type	SO	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)						Fund Code
	LA	(Dollars in Thousands)						
	CO	PROP						
	RV	98	FC	2012-2013 FC	2013-2014 FC	2014-2015		
7100/EDD	SO	No		----- No/Minor Fiscal Impact -----			0995	
8950/Dept VetsAFF	SO	No		----- No/Minor Fiscal Impact -----			0001	
<u>Fund Code</u>			<u>Title</u>					
0001			General Fund					
0995			Reimbursements					