

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: June 18, 2008
POSITION: Neutral
SPONSOR: California Hospital Association

BILL NUMBER: SB 1260
AUTHOR: G. Runner

BILL SUMMARY: Hospital Licensing

This bill would require the Department of Public Health (DPH), upon the issuance or renewal of a general acute care, acute psychiatric or special hospital license, to separately identify each supplemental service, the address where each service is provided, and the type of service provided on the hospital's license.

This bill also would require the DPH, no later than July 1, 2010, to post on its website a listing of all outpatient services of licensed hospitals as a supplemental service.

This bill would further require the DPH to work with stakeholders to review, streamline, and revise the initial and renewal license application form for a license, change in licensed beds or services, or renewing a license, for any person or entity, as prescribed and furnished by the department.

FISCAL SUMMARY

This bill would have no fiscal impact to the DPH. Any additional workload resulting from this bill would be minor and absorbable.

COMMENTS

The Department of Finance is neutral on this bill. However, we would note that it is unclear what purpose including this additional data on licenses would serve.

Existing law requires general acute care hospitals, acute psychiatric hospitals and special hospitals to provide specified basic services. In addition to the required basic services, hospitals have the option of providing supplemental services not required by law or regulation. Current law also requires the licensure of these facilities by the DPH.

Currently, many hospitals in California operate hospital-based outpatient clinics which provide primary care, non-emergency health care and other services. The DPH currently identifies services offered by clinics at the hospital level on each hospital's license. However, according to the author's office, there is currently no mechanism to identify the type of services being offered at each clinic, and this bill could lead to further legislation that would require tracking of more detailed outpatient clinic information.

Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)								Fund Code
	SO	LA			PROP			FC	
	RV	98	FC	2008-2009	FC	2009-2010	FC	2010-2011	
4265/PublicHealth	SO	No		-----	No/Minor	Fiscal Impact	-----		0001
4265/PublicHealth	SO	No		-----	No/Minor	Fiscal Impact	-----		3098
<u>Fund Code</u>	<u>Title</u>								
0001	General Fund								
3098	Licensing and Certification Prog Fd, PH								

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