

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BILL ANALYSIS

AMENDMENT DATE: April 7, 2008
POSITION: Neutral
SPONSOR: State Council on Developmental Disabilities

BILL NUMBER: SB 1774
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BILL SUMMARY

This bill would change the composition of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD), adding a third representative from the university centers for excellence, adding an additional person with developmental disabilities, and allowing heads of state departments and agencies to designate a representative of any rank to serve on the SCDD.

FISCAL SUMMARY

While this bill would have a minimal fiscal impact to SCDD, there would be a minimal indirect General Fund impact because the SCDD is funded with reimbursements from the Department of Developmental Services. A portion of these reimbursements are General Fund.

Finance notes that members of the SCDD receive \$100 per day for each full day of work performed directly related to council business, not to exceed 50 days in any fiscal year, and are reimbursed for any actual and necessary expenses incurred in connection with the performance of their duties. The approximate total cost to add two additional members to the SCDD would be \$10,000 to \$15,000 annually.

COMMENTS

Finance is neutral on this bill. We note that its provisions are consistent with federal law and it has minimal General Fund impact.

In 1998, the University of California, Davis (UCD), established the MIND Institute, making it California's third university center for excellence in developmental disabilities education, research, and service. California's other centers are at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) and the University of Southern California (USC). Both UCLA and USC have a representative on the SCDD. The addition of a MIND Institute representative from UCD is consistent with federal law.

Additionally, federal law requires that at least 60 percent of the SCDD membership be persons with developmental disabilities or specified representatives. This bill would add an additional member to SCDD so that SCDD would remain in compliance with federal law.

Existing state law:

- Establishes the 29-member SCDD to advise the Department of Developmental Disabilities (DDS) and to assist in the planning and coordinating of the state's resources to assure that persons with developmental disabilities receive their rights and services.
Prescribes the membership of the SCDD, the Governor's authority to appoint those members, the length of the appointee terms, and the number of years a person can serve.

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- Requires that two SCDD members represent university centers for excellence established pursuant to federal law.
- Allows certain department heads to be represented by their chief deputy.

Existing federal law:

- Establishes the university centers for excellence in developmental disabilities education, research, and service.
- Requires states to maintain a council on developmental disabilities.
- Requires that not less than 60 percent of the council’s members be persons with developmental disabilities, parents or guardians of children with developmental disabilities, or immediate relatives or guardians of adults with mentally impairing developmental disabilities. Further, the persons in this 60-plus percent of the council’s membership cannot be employees of a state agency receiving funds under federal developmental disabilities statutes or be managing employees of any entity that receives funds under the developmental disabilities subtitle of the Social Security Act.
- Requires each state’s council to include representatives of relevant state entities, including university centers for excellence in developmental disabilities education, research, and service.

This bill would:

- Increase the membership of the SCDD from 29 persons to 31 persons.
- Add to SCDD a third representative of university centers for excellence.
- Add to SCDD an additional person with developmental disabilities.
- Allow department or agency heads to designate a representative of any rank to the SCDD.

Code/Department Agency or Revenue Type	SO	(Fiscal Impact by Fiscal Year)							Fund Code
	LA	(Dollars in Thousands)							
	CO	PROP	2007-2008		2008-2009		2009-2010		
	RV	98	FC	FC	FC	FC			
4100/Cncl Dev Dis	SO	No	-----	See Fiscal Summary	-----	-----	-----	0890	
4100/Cncl Dev Dis	SO	No	-----	See Fiscal Summary	-----	-----	-----	0995	
<u>Fund Code</u>	<u>Title</u>								
0890	Trust Fund, Federal								
0995	Reimbursements								