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JOINT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Via Teleconference

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2016

I. Roll Call and Establish a Quorum

Commissioner Last called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m.

Executive Committee Members Present: Marian Last, Donna Benton, Betsy Butler, Paul Downey, Lucy Fisher

Legislative Advocacy Committee Members Present: Donna Benton, Paul Downey, Kathy Randall, David Sanchez

Commissioners Excused: Rita Saenz

Staff: Sandi Fitzpatrick, Carol Sewell

Guests: Jean Schuldberg, Ed Walsh

II. Public Comment

None

III. Commission-sponsored or co-sponsored Legislation -- Update

Commissioner Benton provided an update on CCoA co-sponsored legislation.

- **Elder and Dependent Adult Financial Abuse; Victims Compensation Pilot Project**
Assemblymember Marie Waldron will carry the bill creating a pilot project for San Diego County.
- **Nutrition funding – budget augmentation**
Staff is working with the Congress of California Seniors to coordinate with C4A on a budget request to increase state matching funds for senior nutrition programs.

IV. Proposed legislation/budget for possible sponsorship-co-sponsorship

- Nutrition proposals
 - Legislative proposal to establish a tax credit for food producers' donations to senior nutrition programs. This proposal is under consideration by Assemblymember Susan Eggman's office for introduction this year.

M/S/C (Downey/Sanchez)

TO CO-SPONSOR WITH THE CONGRESS OF CALIFORNIA SENIORS LEGISLATION CREATING A TAX CREDIT FOR FOOD PRODUCERS' DONATIONS TO SENIOR NUTRITION PROGRAMS.

- Legislation to require managed care plans to provide medically-recommended home-delivered meals as part of CCI beneficiary care plans. Assemblymember Autumn Burke is interested in carrying this bill.

M/S/C (Downey/Sanchez)

TO CONTINUE WORKING WITH THE CONGRESS OF CALIFORNIA SENIORS ON LEGISLATION TO REQUIRE MANAGED CARE PLANS TO PROVIDE MEDICALLY-PRESCRIBED HOME-DELIVERED MEALS TO CCI BENEFICIARIES AS PART OF A BENEFICIARY'S CARE PLAN.

(Ideas still being developed)

- Direct the state to compare the value of SSI cash-out benefit versus SNAP benefits.
 - Automatic SNAP eligibility review for any individual qualified for PUC's low-income energy rate programs or Covered California
- Gerontology workforce – accreditation research
The Ad Hoc Gerontology Education Workgroup continues to research approaches to strengthening gerontology education in the state.

Emergency Action – SB 547 (Liu)

Commissioner Benton reported on receiving late notification regarding amendments to SB 547 (Liu), and a tight deadline to provide statements of support for next week's Senate Health Committee hearing. The amended bill creates a Statewide Aging and Long-Term Care Services Coordinating Council to develop an aging and long-term care strategic plan for California.

M/S/C (Downey/Sanchez)

TO TAKE EMERGENCY ACTION TO CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO SB 547 (LIU).

M/S/C (Sanchez/Downey)

TO SUPPORT SB 547 (LIU) AS AMENDED.

VI. Executive Committee ratification of Legislative Advocacy Committee recommendations

Commissioner Last requested a motion for the Executive Committee to ratify the actions taken by the Legislative Advocacy Committee.

M/S/C (Downey/Fisher)

TO RATIFY ALL ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE.

VII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.