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CDCAN STATE BUDGET VOTE RECORD REPORT

SACRAMENTO, CALIF [Last Updated 07/29/09 7:05 AM Pacific Time] (CDCAN)
- This CDCAN Special Report covers how members of the Assembly and State Senate voted this month on the series of budget bills that were signed into law this week by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, that revises the 2009-2010 State Budget that was passed last February (four months early) in order to close a projected budget deficit of over \$26 billion.

The new and permanent spending cuts, major changes in policy including eligibility for many services that legislators approved and sent to the Governor will have far reaching and lasting impact on children and adults with disabilities, mental health needs, people with traumatic brain and other injuries, people with MS, Alzheimer's and other disorders, seniors, low income children and families, community organizations, facilities and individual workers who provide supports and services.

Knowing how legislators actually vote is an important part of advocacy. CDCAN put compiled this information, reflecting the final vote records, breaking the votes down by party on the key main budget bill (that contained the majority of the new spending cuts) and key budget trailer bills. See separate CDCAN Special Reports on vote records on the other budget related bills later this week (transportation, education)

Democrats control both houses of the State Legislature, though lack the 2/3rds majority which is required by the State Constitution to pass emergency bills (called "urgency statutes") and to pass bills to increase revenues and to pass the main budget bill.

Democrats control the 80 member Assembly (there is one vacancy of a heavily Democratic district) with 49 members, 1 Independent (Juan Arambula) and 29 Assembly Republicans. A 2/3rds majority in the Assembly is 54 votes.

Democrats control the 40 member State Senate with 25 state senators with Republicans holding the remaining 15 seats. A 2/3rds majority in the State Senate is 27 votes.

CDCAN VOTE RECORD REPORT: ABx4 1

MAIN REVISED BUDGET BILL

BACKGROUND: This is the main piece of legislation that contains the reductions (but not the changes to state law – those are in the budget trailer bills) to the 2009-2010 State Budget as originally passed in February, except for the major cuts to education which are contained in ABx4 2..

So a “yes” vote is a vote to approve these spending cuts and reductions and a “no” rejects those reductions – though it may not be for the same reason as advocates (meaning some legislators voted “no” because the reductions did not go far enough)

LATEST STATUS 07/28/09: Approved by the Governor. Chaptered (filed) by the Secretary of State.

CDCAN NOTE: The “x4” stands for “4th extraordinary or special session”. This is an urgency statute requiring 2/3rds vote approval in both houses (54 votes in the Assembly and 27 votes in the State Senate) meaning it takes effect immediately upon approval of the Governor (though many of the reductions and policy changes have specific effective dates within the bill)

STATE SENATE VOTE RECORD – ABx4 1

ACTION 07/23/09: PASSED State Senate 27 to 13. To Assembly for concurrence.

YES VOTES - TOTAL 27

- DEMOCRATS VOTING YES (21): *Elaine Alquist (chair, Senate Health Committee), Ronald Calderon, Ellen Corbett, Denise Ducheny (Chair, Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee), Dean Florez, Loni Hancock, Christine Kehoe, Mark Leno (Chair, Senate Budget Subcommittee #3 on Health & Human Services), Carol Liu (Chair, Senate Human Services Committee), Alan Lowenthal, Gloria Negrete McLeod, Jenny Oropeza, Alex Padilla, Fran Pavley, Curren Price Jr., Gloria Romero, Joe Simitian, Darrell Steinberg (Senate President Pro Tem), Patricia Wiggins, Lois Wolk, and Roderick Wright.*

- REPUBLICANS VOTING YES (6): *Sam Aanestad, Roy Ashburn, Dennis Hollingsworth (Senate Republican Leader), Bob Huff, George Runner, and Tony Strickland.*

NO VOTES - TOTAL 13

- DEMOCRATS VOTING NO (4): *Gil Cedillo, Lou Correa, Mark DeSaulnier, and Leland Yee.*

- REPUBLICANS VOTING NO (9) : *John Benoit, Dave Cogdill, Dave Cox, Jeff Denham, Bob Dutton, Tom Harman, Abel Maldonado, Mimi Walters, and Mark Wyland.*

ABSTAIN, NOT VOTING OR NOT PRESENT - TOTAL 0

ASSEMBLY VOTE RECORD: ABx4 1

ACTION 07/23/09: PASSED Assembly 56 to 23. Sent to Governor.

YES VOTES - 56 TOTAL

- DEMOCRATS VOTING YES (48): *Tom Ammiano, Karen Bass (Assembly Speaker), Jim Beall Jr. (Chair, Assembly Human Services Committee), Marty Block, Bob Blumenfield, Julia Brownley, Joan Buchanan, Anna Caballero, Charles Calderon, Wilmer Amina Carter, Wes Chesbro, Joe Coto, Mike Davis, Hector De La Torre, Kevin De Leon, Mike Eng, Noreen Evans (Chair, Assembly Budget Committee), Mike Feuer, Paul Fong, Felipe Fuentes, Warren Furutani, Cathleen Galgiani, Isadore Hall III, Mary Hayashi, Edward Hernandez, Jerry Hill (Chair, Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health & Human Services), Alyson Huber, Jared Huffman, Dave Jones (Chair, Assembly Health Committee), Paul Krekorian, Ted Lieu, Bonnie Lowenthal, Fiona Ma, Tony Mendoza, Bill Monning, Pedro Nava, John A. Perez, V. Manuel Perez, Anthony Portantino, Ira Ruskin, Mary Salas, Lori Saldana, Nancy Skinner, Jose Solorio, Tom Torlakson, Norma Torres, Alberto Torrico, and Mariko Yamada.*

- REPUBLICANS VOTING YES (7): *Sam Blakeslee (Assembly Republican Leader), Bill Emmerson, Nathan Fletcher, Martin Garrick, Roger Niello, Jim Nielsen, and Cameron Smyth.*

- INDEPENDENT VOTING YES (1): *Juan Arambula*

NO VOTES - 23 TOTAL

- DEMOCRATS VOTING NO (1): *Sandre Swanson*

- REPUBLICANS VOTING NO (22): *Anthony Adams, Joel Anderson, Bill Berryhill, Tom Berryhill, Connie Conway, Paul Cook, Chuck DeVore, Michael Duvall, Jean Fuller, Ted Gaines, Danny Gilmore, Curt Hagman, Diane Harkey, Kevin Jeffries, Steve Knight, Dan Logue, Jeff Miller, Brian Nestande, Jim Silva, Audra Strickland, Van Tran, and Mike Villines.*

ABSENT, ABSTAINING OR NOT VOTING – 1 TOTAL

- VACANT SEAT (1): *51st Assembly District*

CDCAN VOTE RECORD REPORT: ABx4 9

DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES (REGIONAL CENTERS) TRAILER BILL

BACKGROUND: Makes changes to existing state law to achieve over \$334 million in reductions in state spending for developmental services, primarily regional center funded services, including major cuts and changes in eligibility and services for the Early Start program, and reductions impacting a wide range of programs serving thousands of children and adults with developmental disabilities including transportation, day and other similar programs, and respite. The \$334 million reduction in state spending (the figure is higher when loss of matching federal funds are factored in) does not include the previous 3% cut in payments to most regional center providers and also operations that was passed in February as a revision to the 2008-2009 State Budget. That reduction was made retroactive to February 1, 2009 and continues into the 2009-2010 State Budget year. Also not included is an additional \$50 million reduction in regional center spending for children under age of 5 that the Governor hopes can be replaced by funding from the Children and Families First Commission. However there is no guarantee or requirement that the commission replace that funding.

So a “yes” vote is a vote to approve these reductions and a “no” rejects those reductions.

LATEST STATUS 07/28/09: Approved by Governor. Chaptered (filed) by Secretary of State.

CDCAN NOTE: See also the Health Budget Trailer Bill (ABx4 5) that contains some provisions dealing with Porterville Developmental Center, and also issues impacting nursing homes and other long term care facilities.

The “x4” stands for “4th extraordinary or special session”. This is an urgency statute requiring 2/3rds vote approval in both houses (54 votes in the Assembly and 27 votes in the State Senate) meaning it takes effect immediately upon approval of the Governor (though many of the reductions and policy changes have specific effective dates within the bill)

STATE SENATE VOTE RECORD – ABx4 9

ACTION 07/23/09: PASSED State Senate 28 to 10. To Assembly for concurrence.

YES VOTES - TOTAL 28

- DEMOCRATS VOTING YES (17): *Elaine Alquist (chair, Senate Health Committee), Ronald Calderon, Ellen Corbett, Dean Florez, Christine Kehoe, Mark Leno (Chair, Senate Budget Subcommittee #3 on Health & Human*

Services), Carol Liu (Chair, Senate Human Services Committee), Alan Lowenthal, Jenny Oropeza, Alex Padilla, Curren Price Jr., Gloria Romero, Joe Simitian, Darrell Steinberg (Senate President Pro Tem), Patricia Wiggins, Lois Wolk, and Roderick Wright.

• REPUBLICANS VOTING YES (11): *Sam Aanestad, John Benoit, Dave Cogdill, Dave Cox, Bob Dutton, Tom Harman, Dennis Hollingsworth (Senate Republican Leader), Bob Huff, George Runner, Mimi Walters, and Mark Wyland*

NO VOTES - TOTAL 10

• DEMOCRATS VOTING NO (6): *Gil Cedillo, Lou Correa, Mark DeSaulnier, Loni Hancock, Fran Pavley and Leland Yee.*

• REPUBLICANS VOTING NO (4) : *Roy Ashburn, Jeff Denham, Abel Maldonado, and Tony Strickland.*

ABSTAIN, NOT VOTING OR NOT PRESENT - TOTAL 2

• DEMOCRATS ABSTAIN, NOT VOTING OR NOT PRESENT (2): *Denise Duchene (Chair, Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee), and Gloria Negrete McLeod. *

ASSEMBLY VOTE RECORD – ABx4 9

ACTION 07/23/09: PASSED Assembly 62 to 15. Sent to Governor.

YES VOTES - 62 TOTAL

• DEMOCRATS VOTING YES (46): *Tom Ammiano, Karen Bass (Assembly Speaker), Jim Beall Jr (Chair, Assembly Human Services Committee), Marty Block, Bob Blumenfield, Julia Brownley, Joan Buchanan, Anna Caballero, Wilmer Amina Carter, Wes Chesbro, Joe Coto, Mike Davis, Hector De La Torre, Kevin De Leon, Mike Eng, Noreen Evans (Chair - Assembly Budget Committee), Mike Feuer, Paul Fong, Felipe Fuentes, Warren Furutani, Cathleen Galgiani, Isadore Hall III, Mary Hayashi, Edward Hernandez, Jerry Hill (Chair, Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health & Human Services), Alyson Huber, Jared Huffman, Dave Jones (Chair, Assembly Health Committee), Paul Krekorian, Ted Lieu, Bonnie Lowenthal, Fiona Ma, Tony Mendoza, Bill Monning, Pedro Nava, John A. Perez, V. Manuel Perez, Anthony Portantino, Ira Ruskin, Mary Salas, Lori Saldana, Jose Solorio, Tom Torlakson, Norma Torres, Alberto Torrico, and Mariko Yamada.*

• REPUBLICANS VOTING YES (15): *Joel Anderson, Tom Berryhill, Sam Blakeslee (Assembly Republican Leader), Bill Emmerson, Nathan Fletcher, Ted Gaines, Martin Garrick, Diane Harkey, Kevin Jefferies, Jeff Miller, Brian Nestande, Roger Niello, Jim Nielsen, Jim Silva, and Michael Villines*

• INDEPENDENT VOTING YES (1): *Juan Arambula*

NO VOTES - 15 TOTAL

- DEMOCRATS VOTING NO (2): *Nancy Skinner, and Sandre Swanson*
- REPUBLICANS VOTING NO (13): *Anthony Adams, Bill Berryhill, Connie Conway, Paul Cook, Chuck Devore, Michael Duvall, Jean Fuller, Danny Gilmore, Curt Hagman, Dan Logue, Cameron Smyth, Audra Strickland, and Van Tran.*

ABSENT, ABSTAINING OR NOT VOTING – 3 TOTAL

- DEMOCRATS ABSENT, ABSTAINING OR NOT VOTING (1): *Charles Calderon*
- REPUBLICANS ABSENT, ABSTAINING OR NOT VOTING (1): *Steve Knight*
- VACANT SEAT (1): *51st Assembly District*

CDCAN VOTE RECORD REPORT: ABx4 4

HUMAN SERVICES (IHSS, SSI/SSP, CALWORKS) TRAILER BILL

BACKGROUND: This bill included changes in existing state law to implement reductions to In-Home Supportive Services (eliminating all services under IHSS for persons with functional index score under "2" and eliminating any of the domestic and related services for a person in IHSS who has a functional index ranking of under "4" in those services; effective October 1, 2009, eliminates completely the IHSS Share of Cost Buyout Program; makes another cuts to the SSI/SSP grant level for couples to the lowest level allowed by the federal government and an additional \$5 cut to grants for individuals; additional major cuts to CalWORKS, reductions to the foster and adoption assistance programs, reductions to community care licensing program. These reductions are on top of what was passed as part of the 2009-2010 State Budget in February and in addition to the reforms for In-Home Supportive Services in AB 19x4 and reforms for the CalWORKS Program in AB 8x4.

So a "yes" vote is a vote to approve these cuts and policy changes and a "no" rejects those reductions.

LATEST STATUS 07/28/09: Approved by Governor. Chaptered (filed) by Secretary of State.

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CDCAN STATE SENATE VOTE RECORD – ABx4 4

ACTION 07/24/09: PASSED State Senate 35 to 5. To Assembly for concurrence.

YES VOTES - TOTAL 35

• DEMOCRATS VOTING YES (20): *Elaine Alquist (chair, Senate Health Committee), Ronald Calderon, Ellen Corbett, Mark DeSaulnier, Denise Ducheny (Chair, Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee), Dean Florez, Christine Kehoe, Mark Leno (Chair, Senate Budget Subcommittee #3 on Health & Human Services), Alan Lowenthal, Gloria Negrete McLeod, Jenny Oropeza, Alex Padilla, Fran Pavley, Curren Price Jr., Gloria Romero, Joe Simitian, Darrell Steinberg (Senate President Pro Tem), Patricia Wiggins, Lois Wolk, and Roderick Wright.*

• REPUBLICANS VOTING YES (15): *Sam Aanestad, Roy Ashburn, John Benoit, Dave Cogdill, Dave Cox, Jeff Denham, Bob Dutton, Tom Harman, Dennis Hollingsworth (Senate Republican Leader), Bob Huff, Abel Maldonado, George Runner, Tony Strickland, Mimi Walters, and Mark Wyland*

NO VOTES - TOTAL 5

• DEMOCRATS VOTING NO (5): *Gil Cedillo, Lou Correa, Loni Hancock, Carol Liu (chair, Senate Human Services Committee), and Leland Yee.*

• REPUBLICANS VOTING NO (0) : ****none****

ABSTAIN, NOT VOTING OR NOT PRESENT - TOTAL 0

CDCAN ASSEMBLY VOTE RECORD – ABx4 4

ACTION 07/24/09: PASSED Assembly 73 to 3. Sent to Governor.

• DEMOCRATS VOTING YES (47): *Tom Ammiano, Karen Bass (Assembly Speaker), Jim Beall Jr (Chair, Assembly Human Services Committee), Marty Block, Bob Blumenfield, Julia Brownley, Joan Buchanan, Anna Caballero, Charles Calderon, Wilmer Amina Carter, Wes Chesbro, Joe Coto, Mike Davis, Hector De La Torre, Kevin De Leon, Mike Eng, Noreen Evans (Chair - Assembly Budget Committee), Mike Feuer, Paul Fong, Felipe Fuentes, Warren Furutani, Cathleen Galgiani, Isadore Hall III, Mary Hayashi, Edward Hernandez, Jerry Hill (Chair, Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health & Human Services), Alyson Huber, Jared Huffman, Dave Jones (Chair, Assembly Health Committee), Paul Krekorian, Ted Lieu, Bonnie Lowenthal, Fiona Ma, Tony Mendoza, Bill Monning, Pedro Nava, John A. Perez, V. Manuel Perez, Anthony Portantino, Ira Ruskin, Mary Salas, Lori Saldana, Nancy Skinner, Jose Solorio, Tom Torlakson, Norma Torres, and Alberto Torrico.*

• REPUBLICANS VOTING YES (25): *Anthony Adams, Joel Anderson, Tom Berryhill, Sam Blakeslee (Assembly Republican Leader), Connie Conway, Chuck DeVore, Bill Emmerson, Nathan Fletcher, Jean Fuller, Martin Garrick, Danny Gilmore, Curt Hagman, Diane Harkey, Kevin Jefferies, Steve Knight, Dan Logue, Jeff Miller, Brian Nestande, Roger Niello, Jim Nielsen, Jim Silva, Cameron*

Smyth, Audra Strickland, Van Tran, and Michael Villines

- INDEPENDENT VOTING YES (1): *Juan Arambula*

NO VOTES - 3 TOTAL

- DEMOCRATS VOTING NO (2): *Sandre Swanson and Mariko Yamada*
- REPUBLICANS VOTING NO (1): *Joel Anderson*

ABSENT, ABSTAINING OR NOT VOTING – 4 TOTAL

- DEMOCRATS NOT VOTING (0): ****none****
- REPUBLICANS NOT VOTING (3): *Bill Berryhill, Michael Duvall, and Ted Gaines.*
- VACANT SEAT (1): 51st Assembly District

CDCAN VOTE RECORD REPORT: ABx4 5

HEALTH (MEDI-CAL) TRAILER BILL

BACKGROUND: This bill included changes in existing state law to implement reductions and policy changes in many health programs, including major cuts to adult day health, long term care facilities, intermediate care facilities, some provisions dealing with developmental services including Porterville Developmental Center. These reductions are on to of changes proposed, including moving forward on the idea of expanding Medi-Cal managed care, in ABx4 6

So a “yes” vote is a vote to approve these reductions and changes and a “no” rejects those reductions.

LATEST STATUS 07/28/09: Approved by Governor. Chaptered (filed) by Secretary of State.

CDCAN Note: The “x4” stands for “4th extraordinary or special session”. This is an urgency statute requiring 2/3rds vote approval in both houses (54 votes in the Assembly and 27 votes in the State Senate) meaning it takes effect immediately upon approval of the Governor (though many of the reductions and policy changes have specific effective dates within the bill)

CDCAN STATE SENATE VOTE RECORD – ABx4 5

ACTION 07/23/09: PASSED State Senate 29 to 11. To Assembly for concurrence.

YES VOTES - TOTAL 29

• DEMOCRATS VOTING YES (20): *Elaine Alquist (chair, Senate Health Committee), Ronald Calderon, Ellen Corbett, Denise Ducheny (Chair, Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee), Dean Florez, Christine Kehoe, Mark Leno (Chair, Senate Budget Subcommittee #3 on Health & Human Services), Carol Liu (Chair, Senate Human Services Committee), Alan Lowenthal, Gloria Negrete McLeod, Jenny Oropeza, Alex Padilla, Fran Pavley, Curren Price Jr., Gloria Romero, Joe Simitian, Darrell Steinberg (Senate President Pro Tem), Patricia Wiggins, Lois Wolk, and Roderick Wright.*

• REPUBLICANS VOTING YES (9): *Roy Ashburn, John Benoit, Dave Cox, Tom Harman, Dennis Hollingsworth (Senate Republican Leader), Bob Huff, George Runner, Mimi Walters, and Mark Wyland*

NO VOTES - TOTAL 11

• DEMOCRATS VOTING NO (5): *Gil Cedillo, Lou Correa, Mark DeSaulnier, Loni Hancock, and Leland Yee.*

• REPUBLICANS VOTING NO (6) : *Sam Aanestad, Dave Cogdill, Jeff Denham, Bob Dutton, Abel Maldonado, and Tony Strickland.*

ABSTAIN, NOT VOTING OR NOT PRESENT - TOTAL 0

CDCAN ASSEMBLY VOTE RECORD – ABx4 5

ACTION 07/23/09: PASSED Assembly 57 to 20. Sent to Governor.

• DEMOCRATS VOTING YES (45): *Tom Ammiano, Karen Bass (Assembly Speaker), Jim Beall Jr (Chair, Assembly Human Services Committee), Marty Block, Bob Blumenfield, Julia Brownley, Joan Buchanan, Anna Caballero, Wilmer Amina Carter, Wes Chesbro, Joe Coto, Mike Davis, Hector De La Torre, Kevin De Leon, Mike Eng, Noreen Evans (Chair - Assembly Budget Committee), Mike Feuer, Paul Fong, Felipe Fuentes, Warren Furutani, Cathleen Galgiani, Isadore Hall III, Mary Hayashi, Edward Hernandez, Jerry Hill (Chair, Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health & Human Services), Alyson Huber, Jared Huffman, Dave Jones (Chair, Assembly Health Committee), Paul Krekorian, Ted Lieu, Bonnie Lowenthal, Fiona Ma, Tony Mendoza, Bill Monning, Pedro Nava, John A. Perez,, Anthony Portantino, Ira Ruskin, Mary Salas, Lori Saldana, Jose Solorio, Tom Torlakson, Norma Torres, Alberto Torrico, and Mariko Yamada.*

• REPUBLICANS VOTING YES (11): *Tom Berryhill, Sam Blakeslee (Assembly Republican Leader), Connie Conway, Nathan Fletcher, Martin Garrick, Curt Hagman, Dan Logue, Brian Nestande, Roger Niello, Jim Nielsen, and Cameron Smyth.*

• INDEPENDENT VOTING YES (1): *Juan Arambula*

NO VOTES - 20 TOTAL

- DEMOCRATS VOTING NO (3): *V. Manuel Perez, Nancy Skinner, Sandre Swanson*

- REPUBLICANS VOTING NO (17): *Anthony Adams, Joel Anderson, Bill Berryhill, Paul Cook, Chuck DeVore, Michael Duvall, Bill Emmerson, Jean Fuller, Ted Gaines, Danny Gilmore, Diane Harkey, Kevin Jefferies, Steve Knight, Jeff Miller, Jim Silva, Audra Strickland, and Van Tran*

ABSENT, ABSTAINING OR NOT VOTING – TOTAL 3

DEMOCRATS NOT VOTING (1): *Charles Calderon*

REPUBLICANS NOT VOTING (1): *Mike Villines*

VACANT SEAT (1): *51st Assembly District*

CDCAN VOTE RECORD REPORT: AB 19x4

IN-HOME SUPPORTIVE SERVICES (IHSS) REFORMS

BACKGROUND: This bill included requirements for mandatory fingerprinting for both persons receiving IHSS and IHSS workers and mandatory criminal background checks for all persons applying to be IHSS workers and those who currently are IHSS workers; changes to IHSS worker timesheets, and other steps to address what the Governor says would be early detection to prevent or combat fraud and abuse.

So a “yes” vote is a vote to approve these reforms and changes and a “no” rejects those reforms.

LATEST STATUS 07/28/09: Approved by the Governor. Chaptered (filed) by the Secretary of State.

CDCAN NOTE: The “x4” stands for “4th extraordinary or special session”. This is a majority vote bill requiring 41 votes to pass in the Assembly and 21 votes in the State Senate and will take effect on the 91st day after July 24, 2009 (when the Legislature adjourned the 4th special or extraordinary session), which would be October 25, 2009.

STATE SENATE VOTE RECORD: ABx4 19

ACTION 07/24/09: PASSED State Senate 25 to 15. To Assembly for concurrence.

YES VOTES - TOTAL 25

- DEMOCRATS VOTING YES (10): *Elaine Alquist (chair, Senate Health Committee), Ronald Calderon, Lou Correa, Dean Florez, Jenny Oropeza, Alex Padilla, Joe Simitian, Darrell Steinberg (Senate President Pro Tem), Patricia Wiggins, and Lois Wolk.*

• REPUBLICANS VOTING YES (15): *Sam Aanestad, Roy Ashburn, John Benoit, Dave Cogdill, Dave Cox, Jeff Denham, Bob Dutton, Tom Harman, Dennis Hollingsworth (Senate Republican Leader), Bob Huff, Abel Maldonado, George Runner, Tony Strickland, Mimi Walters, and Mark Wyland*

NO VOTES - TOTAL 15

• DEMOCRATS VOTING NO (15): *Gil Cedillo, Ellen Corbett, Mark DeSaulnier, Denise Ducheny (Chair, Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee), Loni Hancock, Christine Kehoe, Mark Leno (chair, Senate Budget Subcommittee #3 on Health & Human Services), Carol Liu (chair, Senate Human Services Committee), Alan Lowenthal, Gloria Negrete McLeod, Fran Pavley, Curren Price Jr, Gloria Romero, Roderick Wright, and Leland Yee.*

• REPUBLICANS VOTING NO (0) : ****none****

ABSTAIN, NOT VOTING OR NOT PRESENT - TOTAL 0

ASSEMBLY VOTE RECORD: ABx4 19

ACTION 07/24/09: PASSED Assembly 42 to 33. Sent to Governor.

YES VOTES - 42 TOTAL

• DEMOCRATS VOTING YES (13): *Karen Bass (Assembly Speaker), Joan Buchanan, Mike Davis, Noreen Evans (Chair, Assembly Budget Committee), Cathleen Galgiani, Isadore Hall III, Alyson Huber, Jared Huffman, Fiona Ma, Pedro Nava, V. Manuel Perez, Ira Ruskin, and Jose Solorio*

• REPUBLICANS VOTING YES (28): *Anthony Adams, Joel Anderson, Bill Berryhill, Tom Berryhill, Sam Blakeslee (Assembly Republican Leader), Connie Conway, Chuck DeVore, Michael Duvall, Bill Emmerson, Nathan Fletcher, Jean Fuller, Ted Gaines, Martin Garrick, Danny Gilmore, Curt Hagman, Diane Harkey, Kevin Jefferies, Steve Knight, Dan Logue, Jeff Miller, Brian Nestande, Roger Niello, Jim Nielsen, Jim Silva, Cameron Smyth, Audra Strickland, Van Tran, and Michael Villines*

• INDEPENDENT VOTING YES (1): *Juan Arambula*

NO VOTES - 33 TOTAL

• DEMOCRATS VOTING NO (33): *Tom Ammiano, Jim Beall Jr (Chair, Assembly Human Services Committee), Marty Block, Bob Blumenfield, Julia Brownley, Anna Caballero, Charles Calderon, Wes Chesbro, Joe Coto, Hector De La Torre, Kevin De Leon, Mike Eng, Mike Feuer, Paul Fong, Felipe Fuentes, Warren Furutani, Mary Hayashi, Edward Hernandez, Jerry Hill (Chair, Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health & Human Services), Dave Jones (Chair, Assembly Health Committee), Ted Lieu, Bonnie Lowenthal, Tony Mendoza, Bill Monning, John A. Perez, Mary Salas, Lori Saldana, Nancy Skinner, Sandre Swanson, Tom*

Torlakson, Norma Torres, Alberto Torrico, and Mariko Yamada.

- REPUBLICANS VOTING NO (0): ***none***

ABSENT, ABSTAINING OR NOT VOTING:- 5 TOTAL

- DEMOCRATS NOT VOTING (3): *Wilmer Amina Carter, Paul Krekorian, and Anthony Portantino.*

- REPUBLICANS NOT VOTING (1): *Paul Cook*

VACANT SEAT (1): *51st Assembly District*

CDCAN VOTE RECORD REPORT: ABx4 8

CALWORKS REFORMS & ELIMINATING CALWORKS & SSI/SSP STATE COST OF LIVING

BACKGROUND: This bill makes several major changes to existing state law regarding the CalWORKS program – the state’s “welfare to work” program that would reduce or limit eligibility, impose new sanctions or penalties, elimination of the annual State cost of living for CalWORKS grants beginning in the 2010-2011 State budget year – in addition to the reductions in AB 4x4, the Human Services budget trailer bill and in addition to the reductions in the 2009-2010 State Budget passed in February 2009. Also would permanently eliminate the annual State cost of living adjustment for SSI/SSP grants beginning in the 2011 calendar year (federal cost of living adjustments would still be passed through, unless there is specific legislation that suspends or withholds that). .Nearly all of the provisions in this bill were proposed by the Governor and legislative Republicans.

So a “yes” vote is a vote to approve these reductions and changes and a “no” rejects those cuts.

LATEST STATUS 07/28/09: Approved by the Governor. Chaptered (filed) by the Secretary of State.

CDCAN NOTE: The “x4” stands for “4th extraordinary or special session”. .

STATE SENATE VOTE RECORD: ABx4 8

ACTION 07/24/09: PASSED State Senate 21 to 18. To Assembly for concurrence.

YES VOTES - TOTAL 21

- DEMOCRATS VOTING YES (7): *Elaine Alquist (chair, Senate Health Committee), Ronald Calderon, Jenny Oropeza, Curren Price Jr., Darrell Steinberg (Senate President Pro Tem), Patricia Wiggins, and Lois Wolk.*
- REPUBLICANS VOTING YES (14): *Sam Aanestad, Roy Ashburn, John Benoit,*

Dave Cogdill, Dave Cox, Jeff Denham, Bob Dutton, Tom Harman, Dennis Hollingsworth (Senate Republican Leader), Bob Huff, George Runner, Tony Strickland, Mimi Walters, and Mark Wyland

NO VOTES - TOTAL 18

• DEMOCRATS VOTING NO (18): *Gil Cedillo, Ellen Corbett, Lou Correa, Mark DeSaulnier, Denise Ducheny (Chair, Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee), Dean Florez, Loni Hancock, Christine Kehoe, Mark Leno (chair, Senate Budget Subcommittee #3 on Health & Human Services), Carol Liu (chair, Senate Human Services Committee), Alan Lowenthal, Gloria Negrete McLeod, Alex Padilla, Fran Pavley, Gloria Romero, Joe Simitian, Roderick Wright, and Leland Yee.*

• REPUBLICANS VOTING NO (0) : ****none****

ABSTAIN, NOT VOTING OR NOT PRESENT - TOTAL 1

REPUBLICANS ABSTAINING, NOT VOTING OR NOT PRESENT (1): *Abel Maldonado*

ASSEMBLY VOTE RECORD: ABx4 8

ACTION 07/24/09: PASSED Assembly 47 to 25. Sent to Governor.

YES VOTES - 47 TOTAL

• DEMOCRATS VOTING YES (18): *Karen Bass (Assembly Speaker), Marty Block, Bob Blumenfield, Joan Buchanan, Anna Caballero, Mike Davis, Mike Eng, Noreen Evans (Chair, Assembly Budget Committee), Cathleen Galgiani, Mary Hayashi, Jerry Hill (Chair, Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health & Human Services), Alyson Huber, Jared Huffman, Bonnie Lowenthal, Bill Monning, Jose Solorio, Tom Torlakson, and Norma Torres.*

• REPUBLICANS VOTING YES (28): *Anthony Adams, Joel Anderson, Bill Berryhill, Tom Berryhill, Sam Blakeslee (Assembly Republican Leader), Connie Conway, Paul Cook, Chuck DeVore, Michael Duvall, Bill Emmerson, Nathan Fletcher, Jean Fuller, Ted Gaines, Martin Garrick, Danny Gilmore, Curt Hagman, Diane Harkey, Kevin Jefferies, Steve Knight, Dan Logue, Jeff Miller, Brian Nestande, Roger Niello, Jim Nielsen, Jim Silva, Cameron Smyth, Audra Strickland, Van Tran, and Michael Villines*

• INDEPENDENT VOTING YES (1): *Juan Arambula*

NO VOTES - 25 TOTAL

• DEMOCRATS VOTING NO (24): *Tom Ammiano, Jim Beall Jr (Chair, Assembly Human Services Committee), Julia Brownley, Wes Chesbro, Joe Coto, Hector de La Torre, Kevin De Leon, Mike Feuer, Paul Fong, Felipe Fuentes, Dave Jones*

(Chair, Assembly Health Committee), Paul Krekorian, Ted Lieu, Fiona Ma, Tony Mendoza, John A. Perez, V. Manuel Perez, Ira Ruskin, Mary Salas, Lori Saldana, Nancy Skinner, Sandre Swanson, Alberto Torrico, and Mariko Yamada.

- REPUBLICANS VOTING NO (1): Van Tran

ABSENT, ABSTAINING OR NOT VOTING – 8 TOTAL:

- DEMOCRATS NOT VOTING (7): *Charles Calderon, Wilmer Amina Carter, Warren Furutani, Isadore Hall III, Edward Hernandez, Pedro Nava, and Anthony Portantino.*

- REPUBLICANS NOT VOTING (0): ****none****

- VACANT SEAT (1): *51st Assembly District*

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