

**LEGISLATIVE BILLS FOR CONSIDERATION  
AUGUST 2010**

Bill	Author	Affected Department(s) or Service	Summary Text	Support/ Oppose	CSAC Position	Impact to County	STATUS
AB 2456	Torrice	PHD-EMS System	AB 2456 would compromise local control and allow the State director of the Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA) to overturn or abrogate any local EMS policies and procedure. AB 2456 will result in increases to fees charged to EMT and paramedic applicants to offset state costs imposed with the implementation of this bill.	Oppose	Oppose	Increase cost loss of local control for EMS system design (trauma, Stemi systems)	8/17/2010 - Read second time in Senate. To third reading.
AB 354	Arambula	PHD	AB 354 will allow the Department of Public Health to add a pertussis booster vaccine (Tdap-tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis) to the list of vaccines necessary for adolescent children to be considered fully immunized.	Support	Watch	The disease of pertussis is cyclical with major outbreaks every 3-5 years. Requiring pertussis vaccination for middle school children would reduce the impact of disease. California has some of the highest rates of pertussis disease in the Country.	8/17/2010 - Read second time and amended in Senate. Ordered to third reading.
SB 602	Padilla	PHD	This 2010 bill would require that all restaurant workers who handle food be certified and that at least one of the accredited food safety certification examinations be offered online.	Oppose as written; support if amended	Watch	The bill requires that all food handlers maintain a valid food worker card which certifies completion of training. Currently, only the manager of the facility needs to do this. This adds to the workload of EHS without a funding source and adds to the workload of the district attorney as failing to comply with this requirement would be a misdemeanor.	8/18/2010 - From committee: Be re-referred to Senate Com. on Health.