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California Budget Crisis:

**ASSEMBLY BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE RELEASES SCHEDULE:
MEDI-CAL, ADULT DAY HEALTH, DDS SET FOR FEB 11TH AND
IHSS, SSI/SSP, CAPI, CALWORKS, PROP 10 SET FOR FEB 10TH**

- **Feb 02 – Senate Budget Committee Hearing: IHSS, SSI, CalWORKS**
- **Feb 02 – Assembly Select Committee on Disabilities**

SACRAMENTO, CALIF (CDCAN) [Updated 02/01/10 05:35 PM (Pacific Time)] - The Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health and Human Services released its schedule of public hearings on the Governor's special session health and human services budget proposals that the Governor wants the Legislature to consider and pass before March 1, 2010 with hearings set for February 10th and 11th.

The Senate has already held several hearings though with its full Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee, chaired by Sen. Denise Ducheny (Democrat – San Diego) rather than its subcommittees, with a hearing on human services special session budget issues scheduled, as previously reported, for Tuesday afternoon, February 2, from 1:00 to 4:00 PM at the State Capitol in Room 4203.

Assembly Budget Subcommittee to Holding Hearings on February 10th and 11th

The Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health and Human Services, chaired by Assemblymember Jerry Hill (Democrat – San Mateo, 19th Assembly District) will hold a hearing on the Governor's human services special session budget issues, including In-Home Supportive Services, SSI/SSP, Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants (CAPI), and CalWORKS on February 10, Wednesday afternoon, at 1:30 PM at the State Capitol in Room 444. The Governor's special session proposal dealing with reducing or shifting funds from Proposition 10 will also be on the agenda.

As previously reported, the Assembly Budget Subcommittee also scheduled a hearing on February 11th, Thursday at 1:00 PM at the State Capitol in Room 4202, that will focus on the Governor's special session budget proposal dealing health budget issues, including Medi-Cal, developmental services, Healthy Families, mental health services (including the proposal to shift or reduce funding under Proposition 63, the Mental Health Services Act), and Department of Public Health programs.

Major issues include proposed elimination of all Medi-Cal funding for Adult Day Health Care, nearly \$1 billion in Medi-Cal "cost containment measures, extension of regional center 3% reduction in payments to most regional center providers and regional center operations, major cuts to Healthy Families and reduction or fund shifting of Proposition 63 Mental Health Services Act funding.

While the issue of extending the existing 3% cut in payments to most regional center providers and 3% reduction in regional center operations will be on the agenda for February 11th, the issue of the proposed closure of Lanterman Developmental Center will not be, since that is not a special session budget proposal. The legislation needed to authorize the closure plan and process won't be available until sometime after April 1, 2010.

ASSEMBLY BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Total Members: 27

Democrats (15 members): *Assemblymembers Noreen Evans (Chair), Jim Beall, Jr (also chair of the Assembly Human Services Committee and member of the Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health & Human Services), Bob Blumenfield, Julia Brownley, Anna M. Caballero, Wilmer Amina Carter, Wes Chesbro (also chair of the Assembly Select Committee on Disabilities), Hector De La Torre (also chair of the Assembly Accountability & Administrative Review Committee), Mike Feuer, Edward Hernandez, Jerry Hill (also chair of the Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health & Human Services), Jared Huffman, William Monning, Ira Ruskin, and Sandre Swanson.*

Republicans (11 members): *Assemblymembers Jim Nielsen (Vice Chair), Anthony Adams, Bill Berryhill, Paul Cook, Bill Emmerson, Jean Fuller, Danny Gilmore, Diane Harkey, Kevin Jeffries, Brian Nestande, and Jim Silva*

Independent (1 member): *Assemblymember Juan Arambula*

Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health and Human Services Members:

Total Members: 7

Democrats (5 members) : *Assemblymembers Jerry Hill (Chair); Jim Beall, Jr. (also chair of the Assembly Human Services Committee); Julia Brownley, Hector De La Torre (also chair of the Assembly Accountability and Administrative Review Committee); and Edward Hernandez (Democratic Alternate Member: Noreen Evans (also chair of the Assembly Budget Committee)*

Republicans (2): *Assemblymember Bill Emmerson; and Brian Nestande (Republican Alternate Member: Jim Nielsen*

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Assembly Budget Committee
State Capitol - Room 6026
Sacramento, CA 95814
Committee Office Phone: (916) 319-2099

SENATE BUDGET & FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Total Members: 15

Democrats (10 members): *Denise Ducheny (Committee Chair), Elaine Alquist (chair of the Senate Health Committee), Mark DeSaulnier, Mark Leno (chair of the Senate Budget Subcommittee #3 on Health & Human Services), Carol Liu (chair of the Senate Human Services Committee), Alan Lowenthal (chair of the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee), Gloria Negrete McLeod, Alex Padilla, Joe Simitian and Roderick Wright*
Republicans (5 members): *Robert Dutton (Committee Vice-Chair), Roy Ashburn, Robert Huff, Abel Maldonado, and Mimi Walters*

Senate Budget Subcommittee #3 on Health and Human Services

Total Members: 3

Democrats (2 members): *Senators Mark Leno; and Elaine Alquist (also chair of the Senate Health Committee)*

Republican (1 member): *Senator Roy Ashburn*

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State Capitol – Room 5019 [different from the committee hearing room]
Sacramento, CA 95814
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BUDGET HEARING SCHEDULE BY SUBJECT

Note: budget committee and subcommittee hearing dates and times are always subject to last minute changes. This schedule is current as of **MONDAY NIGHT, February 1, 2010**

CalWORKS

- Feb 02 – Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee (Governor’s special session budget proposals) *****HIGH PRIORITY*****
- Feb 10 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health and Human Services *****HIGH PRIORITY*****

Children and Families (Proposition 10)

- Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee (Governor’s special session budget proposals) held hearing 1/26 – no action taken.

- Feb 10 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health and Human Services
*****HIGH PRIORITY*****

Developmental Services (regional centers & developmental centers)

- Feb 02 - Assembly Select Committee on Disabilities informational hearing (“State of Developmental Disabilities”) originally set for 1/26 now set for this date *****HIGH PRIORITY*****
- Feb 11 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health & Human Services on Governor’s special session developmental services budget proposals (see below)
*****HIGH PRIORITY*****
- Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee (Governor’s special session budget proposals) held hearing 1/26 – no action taken.

Education

- Feb 09 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee #2 on Education
- Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee (Governor’s budget proposals) held its hearing on the Governor’s special session proposals on Jan. 19.
- Assembly has not yet held or scheduled a budget hearing on this specific issue – expected to release budget hearing schedule 2/1

Healthy Families

- Feb 11 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health and Human Services
*****HIGH PRIORITY*****
- Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee (Governor’s budget proposals) held hearing 1/26 – no action taken

In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)

- Feb 02 – Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee (Governor’s special session budget proposals) *****HIGH PRIORITY*****
- Feb 10 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health and Human Services
*****HIGH PRIORITY*****
- Assembly Budget Committee & Senate Budget Subcommittee #3 (3rd IHSS Reforms Oversight hearing) held on 1/27 – no action taken

Medi-Cal and Long Term Care

- Feb 11 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health and Human Services
*****HIGH PRIORITY*****
- Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee (Governor’s special session budget proposals) held hearing 1/26 – no action taken
- Senate Human Services/Senate Health Subcommittee on Aging and Long Term Care info hearing on “future of Long Term Care” held on 1/26 – no action taken

Mental Health

- Feb 11 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health and Human Services
*****HIGH PRIORITY*****

- Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee (Governor's special session budget proposals) held hearing 1/26 – no action taken

SSI/SSP (Supplemental Security Income/State Supplemental Payment grant program) & CAPI (Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants)

- Feb 02 – Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee (Governor's special session budget proposals) *****HIGH PRIORITY*****
- Feb 10 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee #1 on Health and Human Services *****HIGH PRIORITY*****

Transportation

- Feb 10 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee #5 on Transportation
- Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee held hearing on Governor's special session transportation proposals on Jan 21.

BUDGET & RELATED HEARINGS SCHEDULED TO DATE

The following are budget committees and budget related committee hearings scheduled, updated as **MONDAY NIGHT (February 1, 2010)**

FEBRUARY 2, 2010 (TUESDAY)

SENATE BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

1:00 to 4:00 PM – State Capitol Room 4203

SUBJECT: Overview of the Governor's Special Session Budget Proposals for Human Services

PUBLIC TESTIMONY TAKEN AT THIS HEARING: Yes – limited and brief (written letters and comments can always be submitted before, during and after the hearing)

CDCAN Comment: Includes Governor's budget proposals impacting In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS), SSI/SSP (Supplemental Security Income/State Supplemental Payment grant program, CAPI (Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants), CalWORKS (state's "welfare to work" program).

PRIORITY: **VERY HIGH**

ASSEMBLY SELECT COMMITTEE ON DISABILITIES

2:00 PM – State Capitol – Room 126

Informational Hearing – Subject: "Living With A Developmental Disability in California" (changed from "State of Developmental Disabilities in California")

PUBLIC TESTIMONY TAKEN AT THIS HEARING: Probably

CDCAN COMMENT: This hearing was originally scheduled for January 26, but was postponed and subsequently rescheduled to February 2 – though the time conflicts with a previously scheduled Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee on the Governor's human services special session budget proposals, The announcement on Friday (January 29th) that the Governor will propose the closure of Lanterman Developmental Center in Pomona (Los Angeles County) will likely be part of the presentation by Department of Developmental Services director Terri Delgadillo during the hearing.

While this is not a budget hearing – and the select committee has no jurisdiction over the budget process – the issues raised here do impact recently approved and new budget

proposals that have major impact on people with developmental disabilities. Comments raised here could have some impact on the budget process.

PRIORITY: **VERY HIGH**

FEBRUARY 3, 2010 (WEDNESDAY)

ASSEMBLY BUDGET COMMITTEE

1:00 PM – State Capitol – Room 4202

Informational Hearing – Subject: Proposition 58 General Special Session Overview

PUBLIC TESTIMONY TAKEN AT THIS HEARING: Not certain – though if allowed, would be very brief

CDCAN Comment: Proposition 58 refers to the voter approved amendment to the State Constitution that authorizes the Governor to declare a “fiscal emergency” that requires the Legislature to consider the Governor’s proposals to address that emergency and to respond in special session with passage of a bill or bills dealing with that emergency

PRIORITY: Important

SENATE BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

01:30 PM - State Capitol Room 4203

SUBJECT: Governor’s special session proposals not previously heard and alternatives to the Governor’s Budget Proposals, including revenues

PUBLIC TESTIMONY TAKEN AT THIS HEARING: Not certain – though if allowed, would be very brief

PRIORITY: **VERY HIGH**

FEBRUARY 4, 2010 (THURSDAY)

SENATE BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

09:30 AM or upon adjournment of the State Senate floor session

State Capitol Room 4203

SUBJECT: Governor’s special session proposals

PUBLIC TESTIMONY TAKEN AT THIS HEARING: Not certain – though if allowed, would be very brief

PRIORITY: **VERY HIGH**

SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON SURPLUS PROPERTY

11:00 AM or upon adjournment of State Senate floor session

State Capitol Room 3191

Informational Hearing – Subject:

1) Existing practices for identifying and disposing of state surplus property

2) Progress made towards selling selected properties.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY TAKEN AT THIS HEARING: Not certain – though if allowed, would be very brief

CDCAN COMMENT: While not reviewing the specific proposals in the Governor’s proposed budget, the issue of state surplus property and how it is identified and disposed would have impact on the budget.

PRIORITY: Important

FEBRUARY 8, 2010 (MONDAY)

ASSEMBLY BUDGET COMMITTEE

2:00 PM – State Capitol – Room 4202

Informational Hearing – Subject: Every Woman Counts: Eliminating Breast Cancer Screening for Uninsured Women

PUBLIC TESTIMONY TAKEN AT THIS HEARING: Not certain – though if allowed, would be very brief

PRIORITY: Important

FEBRUARY 09, 2010 (TUESDAY)

***NEW* - ASSEMBLY BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE #2 ON EDUCATION**

09:00 AM - State Capitol – Room 444

Subject: Governor's special session budget proposal education budget proposals, including Department of Education, Community Colleges and the California Student Aid Commission.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY TAKEN AT THIS HEARING: Yes – limited, but people can submit comments before, during and after the hearing

PRIORITY: **Important**

FEBRUARY 10, 2010 (WEDNESDAY)

***NEW* - ASSEMBLY BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE #1 ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

1:30 PM – State Capitol – Room 444

Subject: Governor's special session budget proposal human services budget proposals, including In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS), SSI/SSP, CAPI (Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants), CalWORKS and Proposition 10 (California Children and Families Commission)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY TAKEN AT THIS HEARING: Yes – limited – though people can submit written comments before, during and after hearing

CDCAN COMMENT: Governor's proposal to change eligibility to IHSS that would mean nearly 90% of the existing numbers of people would lose all services under the program.

PRIORITY: **VERY HIGH**

***NEW* - ASSEMBLY BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE #5 ON TRANSPORTATION**

4:00 PM - State Capitol – Room 127

Subject: Governor's special session budget proposal transportation (CalTrans) budget proposals. PUBLIC TESTIMONY TAKEN AT THIS HEARING: Yes – limited, but people can submit comments before, during and after the hearing

CDCAN COMMENT:

PRIORITY: **Important**

FEBRUARY 11, 2010 (THURSDAY)

***NEW* - ASSEMBLY BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE #1 ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

1:00 PM - State Capitol – Room 4202

Subject: Governor's special session budget proposal health budget proposals, including Medi-Cal, developmental services (regional centers), Healthy Families (Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board), mental health services (including Proposition 63), Public health

PUBLIC TESTIMONY TAKEN AT THIS HEARING: Yes – limited, but people can submit comments before, during and after the hearing

CDCAN COMMENT: The Medi-Cal budget issues include proposals for Medi-Cal “cost containment” and elimination of Adult Day Health Care

PRIORITY: **VERY HIGH**

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