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Consumer Federation of California  
Legislative Update – End of Year

## ***2015 Legislative Summary***

### **CFC took positions on 50 bills in the 2015 Legislative Session**

- 3 of which were 'sponsored' or 'co-sponsored'
- 36 of which were 'supported'
  - 14 of which were chaptered
  - 5 of which were vetoed
  - 17 of which are two year bills
- 11 of which were 'opposed'
  - 1 of which was vetoed
  - 1 of which was signed
  - 9 of which are two year bills

## 2015 Sponsored Bills

Of the three CFC sponsored or co-sponsored bills, all are now two year bills.

### **Sponsored Bills:**

#### **SB 763**

(Leno D) Juvenile products: flame retardant chemicals.

Location: 9/11/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require a manufacturer of juvenile products, as defined, that sells juvenile products that contain added flame retardant chemicals, as defined, in California, to include a specified statement on a label, that meets certain labeling requirements. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position  
co-sponsor

#### **SB 648**

(Mendoza D) Health and care facilities: referral agencies.

Location: 5/29/2015-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require a referral agency to obtain a license in order to refer a person to a residential care facility for the elderly. The bill would prohibit a referral agency from holding any power of attorney or any other property of a person receiving referral services, or from disclosing any personal information of a person receiving services, unless expressly authorized to do so. The bill would require a referral agency to provide a disclosure statement, as specified, to each person receiving its services, and to retain, for 4 years, a signed acknowledgment from the person being referred, or his or her conservator, guardian, family member, or agent under a power of attorney, stating that the disclosure statement was received.

Position  
sponsor

#### **AB 886**

(Chau D) Transportation service network provider: passenger privacy.

Location: 5/1/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would prohibit a transportation service network provider, as defined, from requesting or requiring personally identifiable data, as defined, of a passenger unless the information is used for certain purposes, including establishing, maintaining, and updating a customer's account. The bill would require the transportation service network provider to provide an account holder with an opportunity to cancel or terminate an account.

Position  
sponsor

## 2015 Supported Bills

Of the 34 bills CFC supported, 12 were signed into law and five were vetoed.

### **Supported Bills:**

AB 11 (Gonzalez D) Employment: paid sick days: in-home supportive services.  
Location: 5/29/2015-A. 2 YEAR  
Summary: Current law provides that an employee under the Healthy Workplaces, Healthy Families Act of 2014 does not include a provider of in-home support services, as described. This bill would revise the definition of an employee under the Healthy Workplaces, Healthy Families Act of 2014 to, as of July 1, 2016, include providers of in-home support services, as described.

Position  
support

AB 24 (Nazarian D) Transportation network companies: public safety requirements.  
Location: 5/29/2015-A. 2 YEAR  
Summary: Would prohibit the Public Utilities Commission from issuing or renewing a permit or certificate to a charter-party carrier of passengers unless the applicant, in addition to existing requirements, participates in the Department of Motor Vehicles pull-notice system. This bill would specifically require a transportation network company to comply with this provision and to provide for a mandatory controlled substance and alcohol testing certification program.

Position  
support

AB 49 (Mullin D) Livestock drugs: antibiotics.  
Location: 5/15/2015-A. 2 YEAR  
Summary: Would make various legislative findings and declarations relating to the nontherapeutic use of antibiotics in livestock, and would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would address the overuse of antibiotics in livestock production.

Position  
support

AB 74 (Calderon D) Child care facilities: regulatory visits.  
Location: 9/30/2015-A. VETOED  
Summary: Would revise the provisions requiring the State Department of Social Services to conduct annual unannounced inspections of a child day care center or family day care home by instead requiring the department to conduct annual unannounced inspections of no less than 20% of those centers or homes on and after January 1, 2018, and until January 1, 2019. The bill would also require, on and after January 1, 2018, and until January 1, 2019, the department to inspect each center or home at least every 2 years.

Position  
support

AB 216

(Garcia, Cristina D) Product sales to minors: vapor products.

Location: 10/11/2015-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would prohibit the sale of any device intended to deliver a nonnicotine product in a vapor state, to be directly inhaled by the user, to a person under 18 years of age, or to a person under 21 years of age if SB 151 of the 2015-16 Regular Session is enacted and takes effect. The bill would exempt from its prohibition the sale of a drug or medical device that has been approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration. Because this bill would create a new crime or infraction, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position  
support

AB 244

(Eggman D) Mortgages and deeds of trust: successors in interest.

Location: 5/15/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law imposes various requirements to be satisfied prior to exercising a power of sale under a mortgage or deed of trust. This bill would include a successor in interest in the definition of a borrower for purposes of specified eligibility provisions. The bill would define a successor in interest for these purposes as a natural person who provides the mortgage servicer with notification of the death of the mortgagor or trustor and reasonable documentation, as specified, showing that the person falls into one of four categories of successors, including a personal representative of the mortgagor's or trustor's estate or a surviving spouse, as specified.

Position  
support

AB 259

(Dababneh D) Personal information: privacy.

Location: 8/28/2015-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law requires an agency that owns or licenses computerized data that includes personal information, as defined, to provide notification of any breach in the security of that data to any California resident whose personal information may have been compromised by the breach, as specified. This bill would additionally require an agency, if the agency was the source of the breach and the breach compromised a person's social security number, driver's license number, or California identification card number, to offer to provide the person with identity theft prevention and mitigation services at no cost for not less than 12 months, as specified.

Position  
support

AB 265

(Holden D) Consumer protection: buy-here-pay-here dealers.

Location: 8/12/2015-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current law prohibits a buy-here-pay-here dealer from locating a vehicle with electronic tracking technology or disabling a vehicle with starter interrupt technology unless the dealer provides written disclosure to the buyer at the time the vehicle is purchased that the vehicle is equipped with

starter interrupt technology. This bill would require the written disclosure provided to the buyer at the time of sale to inform the buyer that a warning will be provided 5 days before the use of the starter interrupt technology for all weekly payment term contracts and 10 days before the use of starter interrupt technology on all other contracts and a final warning will be provided no less than 48 hours before the use of the starter interrupt technology to shut down the vehicle remotely, as specified.

Position  
support

AB 282 (Eggman D) Accessible window covering cords.

Location: 7/17/2015-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law generally regulates various business activities and practices, including the sale within the state of cribs and bunk beds intended for use by children. This bill would make specified findings and would declare the intent of the Legislature to subsequently amend this bill to enact legislation to protect children from the preventable strangulation hazard posed by cords on window coverings by adopting standards that provide for safer window coverings in California.

Position  
support

AB 348 (Brown D) Long-term health care facilities: complaints: investigations.

Location: 8/28/2015-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law establishes procedures to be followed when the State Department of Public Health receives a written or oral complaint about a long-term health care facility. Current law establishes the time period for which an investigation of a complaint is required to be completed, and authorizes an extension of that time period under extenuating circumstances. This bill would require the department to apply the existing time periods for the investigation, inspection, and issuance of a citation under these provisions to a report from the facility of an alleged violation of applicable requirements of state or federal law or any alleged facts that might constitute a violation of those requirements.

Position  
support

AB 357 (Chiu D) Employment: work hours: Fair Scheduling Act of 2015.

Location: 6/5/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would make legislative findings and declarations relating to work hour scheduling for employees of food and general retail establishments. The bill would require a food and general retail establishment, as defined, to provide its employees with at least 2 weeks' notice of their schedules. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position  
support

AB 465 (Hernández, Roger D) Contracts against public policy.

Location: 10/11/2015-A. VETOED

Summary: Would prohibit any person from requiring another person, as a condition of employment, to agree to the waiver of any legal right, penalty, forum, or procedure for any employment law violations.

The bill would prohibit a person from threatening, retaliating against, or discriminating against another person based on a refusal to agree to such waiver, and would provide that any such waiver required from an employee or potential employee as a condition of employment or continued employment is unconscionable, against public policy, and unenforceable.

Position  
support

AB 573      (Medina D) Higher education: campus closures: Corinthian Colleges.  
Location: 10/8/2015-A. VETOED  
Summary: The California Private Postsecondary Education Act establishes the Student Tuition Recovery Fund and requires the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education to adopt regulations governing the administration and maintenance of the fund, including requirements relating to assessments on students and student claims against the fund, and establishes that the moneys in this fund are continuously appropriated to the bureau for specified purposes. The act caps the amount that may be in the fund at any time at \$25,000,000. This bill would raise the cap for the fund to \$30,000,000.

Position  
support

AB 601      (Eggman D) Residential care facilities for the elderly: licensing and regulation.  
Location: 10/8/2015-A. CHAPTERED  
Summary: Current law requires any person seeking a license for a residential care facility for the elderly to file an application with the State Department of Social Services, as specified. This bill would, among other things, additionally require the applicant to disclose specified information, including whether it is a for-profit or not-for-profit provider, the name, address, and license number of other health, residential, or community care facilities owned, managed, or operated by the same applicant or by any parent organization of the applicant, and the name and address of any person, organization, or entity that owns the real property in which specified facilities are located.

Position  
support

AB 613      (Chu D) Automatic renewals: cancellations: notice to consumers.  
Location: 5/15/2015-A. 2 YEAR  
Summary: Current law makes it unlawful for any business making an automatic renewal or continuous service offer to a consumer in this state to, among other things, fail to present the automatic renewal or continuous service offer terms in a clear and conspicuous manner. This bill would require the cancellation policy in any automatically renewed contract under these provisions to include the right of the consumer to cancel for any reason upon 30 days' written notice to the business and also include a statement describing the procedure to cancel the contact.

Position  
support

AB 708      (Jones-Sawyer D) Consumer products: content information.  
Location: 9/11/2015-A. 2 YEAR  
Summary: Current law regulates the labeling and use of various consumer products, including toys and

toxic household products. This bill would, commencing January 1, 2017, require the manufacturer of cleaning products for retail sale in this state to disclose each ingredient contained in the product on the product label, as specified, post the product ingredient information and certain additional information on the manufacturer's Internet Web site, and provide the Internet Web site and page address on the product label, along with a prescribed statement.

Position  
support

AB 721 (Medina D) Student financial aid: private student loans.

Location: 10/8/2015-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would require the public, private, or independent institution, except the California Community Colleges, to make available to the public upon request and in a prominent location on its Internet Web site within 12 months of a completed academic year, as defined, specified student loan debt statistics on graduates. The bill would require all public, private, and independent postsecondary institutions to provide students information concerning unused state and federal financial assistance including unused federal student loan moneys available to them before certifying their eligibility for private student loans.

Position  
support

AB 888 (Bloom D) Waste management: plastic microbeads.

Location: 10/8/2015-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would prohibit, on and after January 1, 2020, a person, as defined, from selling or offering for promotional purposes in this state a personal care product containing plastic microbeads that are used to exfoliate or cleanse in a rinse-off product, as specified. The bill would exempt from those prohibitions the sale or promotional offer of a product containing less than 1 part per million (ppm) by weight of plastic microbeads. This bill contains other related provisions.

Position  
support

AB 1411 (Garcia, Eduardo D) Fire protection: type 1 clothes dryers.

Location: 10/6/2015-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would require, on or before December 31, 2016, the State Fire Marshal to work with fire service entities, the appliance industry, disability advocates, and related stakeholders to accomplish certain things, including gathering information, and providing findings and recommendations to the Legislature, regarding fires related to type 1 clothes dryers, as defined, and the dangers of excessive lint.

Position  
support

AB 1448 (Lopez D) Personal energy conservation: real property restrictions.

Location: 10/8/2015-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would require a landlord to permit a tenant to utilize a clothesline or drying rack, as



defined, approved by the landlord in the tenant's private area, as defined, if certain conditions are met, including, among others, that the clothesline or drying rack will not interfere with the maintenance of the rental property and the use of the clothesline or drying rack does not violate reasonable time or location restrictions imposed by the landlord. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position  
support

SB 3

(Leno D) Minimum wage: adjustment.

Location: 8/28/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would increase the minimum wage, on and after January 1, 2016, to not less than \$11 per hour, and on and after July 1, 2017, to not less than \$13 per hour. The bill would require, commencing January 1, 2019, the annual automatic adjustment of the minimum wage to maintain employee purchasing power diminished by the rate of inflation during the previous year. The adjustment would be calculated using the California Consumer Price Index, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.

Position  
support

SB 24

(Hill D) Electronic cigarettes: licensing and restrictions.

Location: 8/28/2015-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would make the failure to post a notice, on and after July 1, 2016, at each point of purchase, stating that the sale of electronic cigarettes to persons under 18 years of age is illegal, a crime. The bill would impose the same notice requirements as applied to the sale of electronic cigarettes to persons under 21 years of age if SB 151 of the 2015-16 Regular Session is enacted and takes effect. By expanding the scope of existing crimes, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position  
support

SB 140

(Leno D) Electronic cigarettes.

Location: 7/17/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would define the term "smoking" for purposes of the STAKE Act. The bill would also change the STAKE Act's definition of tobacco products to include electronic devices, such as electronic cigarettes, that deliver nicotine or other vaporized liquids, and make furnishing such a tobacco product to a minor a misdemeanor. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position  
support

SB 178

(Leno D) Privacy: electronic communications: search warrant.

Location: 10/8/2015-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would prohibit a government entity from compelling the production of or access to electronic communication information or electronic device information, as defined, without a search warrant, wiretap order, order for electronic reader records, or subpoena issued pursuant under

specified conditions, except for emergency situations, as defined. The bill would also specify the conditions under which a government entity may access electronic device information by means of physical interaction or electronic communication with the device, such as pursuant to a search warrant, wiretap order, or consent of the owner of the device.

Position  
support

SB 386

(Allen D) Unlawful business practices.

Location: 9/2/2015-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would include, as an unlawful practice prohibited under the Consumer Legal Remedies Act, advertising, offering for sale, or selling a financial product or service that is illegal under state or federal law, including a cash payment for the assignment to a third party of the consumer's right to receive future pension or veteran's benefits. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position  
support

SB 475

(Monning D) Continuing care contracts: cancellation: payments.

Location: 10/11/2015-S. VETOED

Summary: Would require a continuing care retirement facility to pay the full lump-sum payment that is conditioned upon resale of a unit to a resident within 14 days after resale of a unit. The bill would require a continuing care retirement facility, for contracts signed after January 1, 2016, to pay a resident or his or her estate a specified portion of the full lump-sum payment, notwithstanding a provider's documented good-faith effort to resell the unit, if the unit remains vacant 120 days after the resident's termination.

Position  
support

SB 482

(Lara D) Controlled substances: CURES database.

Location: 7/17/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require all prescribers, as defined, prescribing a Schedule II or Schedule III controlled substance, to consult a patient's electronic history in the CURES database before prescribing the controlled substance to the patient for the first time. The bill would also require the prescriber to consult the CURES database at least annually when the prescribed controlled substance remains part of the patient's treatment.

Position  
support

SB 492

(Liu D) Coordinated Care Initiative: consumer educational and informational guide.

Location: 9/11/2015-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would make legislative findings and declarations relating to the Coordinated Care Initiative (CCI) and the availability of consumer protections for beneficiaries. The bill would require, no later than July 1, 2016, the Department of Health Care Services to develop and post on the department's Internet Web site, an educational and informational guide to assist consumers and patients in

understanding the rights afforded to them under the CCI and how to effectively exercise those rights, as specified.

Position  
support

SB 501 (Wieckowski D) Wage garnishment restrictions.

Location: 10/11/2015-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would, commencing July 1, 2016, reduce the prohibited amount of an individual judgment debtor's weekly disposable earnings subject to levy under an earnings withholding order from exceeding the lesser of 25% of the individual's weekly disposable earnings or 50% of the amount by which the individual's disposable earnings for the week exceed 40 times the state minimum hourly wage, or applicable local minimum hourly wage, if higher, in effect at the time the earnings are payable.

Position  
support

SB 546 (Leno D) Health care coverage: rate review.

Location: 10/11/2015-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current law requires a health care service plan or health insurer in the individual, small group, or large group markets to file rate information with the Department of Managed Health Care or the Department of Insurance. This bill would add to the existing rate information requirement to further require large group health care service plans and health insurers to file with the respective department the weighted average rate increase for all large group benefit designs during the 12-month period ending January 1 of the following calendar year. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position  
support

SB 576 (Leno D) Mobile applications: geolocation information: privacy.

Location: 5/15/2015-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require the operator of a mobile application to provide clear and conspicuous notice that fully informs consumers when, how, and why their geolocation information, as defined, will be collected, used, and shared upon installation of the application. The bill would require the operator of a mobile application to obtain consent before collecting or using geolocation information and to obtain separate consent before disclosing that information.

Position  
support

SB 641 (Wieckowski D) Debt buying: default judgment.

Location: 10/11/2015-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would permit a person to serve and file a notice of motion and motion to set aside a default or default judgment and for leave to defend an action relating to debt, if service of a summons did not result in actual notice to the person in time to defend an action brought by a debt buyer and a default or default judgment has been entered against the person in the action. The bill would require the

person to make this service and filing within 6 years after entry of the default judgment or 180 days of the first actual notice of the action, whichever is earlier, except in cases of identity theft or mistaken identity, in which case the service and filing is to be made within 180 days of the first actual notice of the action.

Position  
support

SB 660

(Leno D) Public Utilities Commission.

Location: 10/9/2015-S. VETOED

Summary: Current law requires the Governor to designate the president of the Public Utilities Commission from among its members and requires the president to direct the executive director, the attorney, and other staff of the commission, except for the Office of Ratepayer Advocates. This bill would authorize the commission to delegate specific management and internal oversight functions to committees composed of 2 commissioners. The bill would require the commission to appoint a chief administrative law judge who would be responsible for the oversight of the administrative law judge division.

Position  
support

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(Leno D) Electronic cigarettes.

Location: 8/27/2015-A. DESK

Summary: Would define the term "smoking" for purposes of the STAKE Act. The bill would also change the STAKE Act's definition of "tobacco products" to include electronic devices, such as electronic cigarettes, that deliver nicotine or other vaporized liquids, and make furnishing the tobacco product to a minor a misdemeanor. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position  
support

## 2015 Opposed Bills

Of the 11 bills which CFC took an oppose position, one was vetoed and one was signed into law.

### Opposed:

#### AB 312

(Jones R) Advertising.

Location: 7/17/2015-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would make it unlawful for any person, firm, corporation, or association to sell, or offer for sale, merchandise that advertises itself as being made or manufactured in the United States unless the merchandise has been all or virtually all made in the United States, and provides that "all or virtually all" has the same meaning as a specified policy statement of the Federal Trade Commission. The bill would also state the intent of the Legislature in enacting the bill.

Position  
oppose

#### AB 516

(Mullin D) Vehicles: temporary license plates.

Location: 9/11/2015-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require the DMV to develop an operational system, no later than January 1, 2018, that allows a dealer or lessor-retailer to electronically report the sale of a vehicle and provide a temporary license plate, as specified. The bill would, commencing January 1, 2017, authorize the department to assess specified administrative fees on processing agencies to support the administration of this system. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position  
oppose

#### AB 597

(Cooley D) Asbestos Tort Trust Transparency Act.

Location: 9/11/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would enact the Asbestos Tort Claim Trust Transparency Act, which would establish additional procedures with respect to civil actions pertaining to asbestos tort claims, as defined. The bill would, among other things, require that a plaintiff produce, at the same time he or she serves answers to interrogatories, all asbestos trust claim documents, as specified, and would provide that these documents are not subject to a claim of privilege. The bill would also require the plaintiff, in answering interrogatories, to disclose the facts related to his or her alleged exposure to asbestos.

Position  
oppose

#### AB 722

(Perea D) Securities transactions: qualifications by permit: liability.

Location: 5/29/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would authorize an applicant to file an application for qualification of the offer or sale of a security by crowdfunding permit if certain conditions are met, including that the total offering of

securities by the applicant to be sold in a 12-month period, within or outside this state, is limited to \$1,000,000, less a specified amount; the aggregate amount of securities sold to any investor, including any amount sold during the 12-month period preceding the date of the transaction, does not exceed the lesser of \$5,000 or 10% of the net worth of that natural person; and the issuer will not, directly or indirectly, conduct any unsolicited telephone solicitation of the securities offered.

Position  
oppose

AB 817

(Calderon D) Privacy: students.

Location: 5/15/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law defines an "operator" as the operator of an Internet Web site, online service, online application, or mobile application with actual knowledge that the site, service, or application is used primarily for K-12 school purposes, as defined, and was designed and marketed for K-12 school purposes. Under current law, "K-12 school purposes" means those purposes that customarily take place at the direction of the K-12 school, teacher, or school district or aid in the administration of school activities. This bill would specify that "K-12 school purposes" do not include communications to and from parents or students 14 years of age or older regarding postsecondary or extracurricular educational, military, or career products or services, as specified.

Position  
oppose

AB 925

(Low D) Intentional recording of telephonic communication.

Location: 5/29/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law makes it a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not to exceed \$2,500, by imprisonment in county jail for not more than one year or in the state prison, or by both that fine and imprisonment, to intercept or receive and intentionally record, or assist in the interception or receipt and intentional recording of, a communication transmitted between 2 telephonic devices, without the consent of all parties to the communication. This bill would exempt from that prohibition the first 20 seconds of a telephonic communication between a person or business and a current or former customer, or a person reasonably believed to be a current or former customer.

Position  
oppose

SB 249

(Hueso D) Vehicles: enhanced driver's license.

Location: 10/9/2015-S. VETOED

Summary: Would authorize the Department of Motor Vehicles to enter into a memorandum of understanding with a federal agency for the purpose of facilitating travel within the western hemisphere pursuant to the federal Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative through the issuance of an enhanced driver's license, provisional license, or identification card. The bill would authorize the department to issue or renew, upon request, an enhanced driver's license, provisional license, or identification card for specified persons.

Position  
oppose

SB 633

(Hill D) Consumer protection:

Location: 9/1/2015-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current law prohibits the sale or offering of sale in the state of any merchandise on which merchandise or on its container appears the words, "Made in U.S.A.," "Made in America," "U.S.A.," or similar words when the merchandise or any article, unit, or part thereof, has been entirely or substantially made, manufactured, or produced outside of the United States. This bill would exempt from the prohibition merchandise made, manufactured, or produced in the United States if either the merchandise has one or more articles, units, or parts from outside the United States if they do not constitute more than 5% of the final wholesale value of the product or the manufacturer makes a specified showing regarding the articles, units, or parts from outside the United States and they do not constitute more than 10% of the final wholesale value of the product.

Position  
oppose

AB 287

(Gordon D) Vehicle safety: recalls.

Location: 7/17/2015-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would enact the Consumer Automotive Recall Safety Act, which would be operative on and after July 1, 2016. The act would require a vehicle manufacturer to display notifications of Stop Sale - Stop Drive recalls, as defined, on the manufacturer's Internet Web site. The act would require a vehicle manufacturer to provide a rental or loaner car for a consumer who seeks to have a vehicle repaired because of a recall but the parts or procedures are not yet available to perform the repair.

Position  
oppose unless  
amended

AB 739

(Irwin D) Civil law: liability: communication of cyber security-threat information.

Location: 5/15/2015-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would, until January 1, 2020, provide that there shall be no civil or criminal liability for, and no cause of action shall lie or be maintained against any private entity for the sharing or receiving of cyber security-threat information if the sharing or receiving is conducted, as specified. The immunity from liability would only apply if the communication is made without gross negligence, as specified.

Position  
oppose unless  
amended

SB 26

(Hernandez D) California Health Care Cost and Quality Database.

Location: 5/29/2015-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would state the intent of the Legislature to establish a system to provide valid, timely, and comprehensive health care performance information that is publicly available and can be used to improve the safety, appropriateness, and medical effectiveness of health care, and to provide care that is safe, medically effective, patient-centered, timely, affordable, and equitable. The bill would require the Secretary of California Health and Human Services to, no later than January 1, 2017, enter into a contract with one or more independent, nonprofit organizations to administer the California Health Care Cost and Quality Database.

Position  
oppose unless  
amended