

California's 7 Bad Bills & WHAT TO DO RIGHT NOW

Our amazing clients and partners at PERK (Protecting the Educational Rights of Kids) have put together resources for opposing the “SEVEN Bad Bills” heading through the California Assembly and Senate. **We need every person and every organization voicing their opposition and fight for medical freedom:**

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

1. **Submit an “opposition letter” to your representatives through the CA Legislative Portal ASAP** (see detailed instructions at end. TAKES 2 MINUTES. Please ACT NOW!)
 1. What is an “opposition letter”?
 1. A brief letter in your own words summarizing your position on each bill.
 1. ***Make sure your letter is professional, persuasive, and to the point.*** We want them to read this and *they are receiving thousands.*
 2. When is it due?
 1. ASAP. Opposition – and supporting – letters are due 7 days prior to a scheduled hearing to be included in the analysis; however, we do not have all the hearing dates set, yes.
 2. That said, ***why wait?!*** Let’s submit them NOW so
 1. Legislators actually have time to read them +
 2. Do not stress yourself out at the last minute scramble.
 3. Who should send a letter?
 1. **EVERYONE. Business owners, charities, unions, school boards, Chambers of Commerce, City Councils, etc.**
 2. *Everyone will be affected by these bills in one way or another.*
 3. They will present different perspectives that might be overlooked but are critical and should be considered in deciding whether or not to vote for these bills.
2. **Call your legislator and officially register your opposition.**
 1. You do not have to give your name or address.
 2. Just state, “My name is [FIRST NAME]. I live in the District and would like to register my OPPOSITION to bill [871/866/1993/1797/2098/1479/920] because [2-3 REASONS BRIEFLY WHY].”
3. **Make an appointment to meet with your legislator – in person or by ZOOM – to discuss these bills.**
 1. Find your legislator: <https://findyourrep.legislature.ca.gov/>
 2. Learn how to meet with your Legislator using FLTJ’s **“Step-by-Step Toolkit to Winning the 2022 CA Legislative Session”**

WHY?? CALIFORNIA’S “SEVEN BAD BILLS”

The California Legislator is currently in session and there are *now* “7 Bad Bills” in the pipeline. Whether you are old or young; retired, working, or wanting to work (intern); in or out of school; healthy, able-bodied, religious or not, ***you and your families’ and friends’ lives will be affected by these bills.*** Here is a brief run-down of each of these Bills:

(1) [AB 1993](#): **Employment: COVID-19 vaccination requirements. (Wicks)**

This bill would require an employer to require each person who is an employee or independent contractor, and who is eligible to receive the COVID-19 vaccine, to show proof to the employer, or an authorized agent thereof, that the person has been vaccinated against COVID-19. This bill would allow for medical and religious exemptions.

(2) [AB 2098](#): **Physicians and surgeons: unprofessional conduct. (Low)**

This bill would designate the dissemination or promotion of misinformation or disinformation related to the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus, or "COVID-19," by a physician or surgeon as unprofessional conduct, allowing the Medical Board to take action against such physician or surgeon.

(3) [SB 866](#): **Minors: vaccine consent. (Wiener)**

This bill would authorize a minor 12 years of age or older to consent to vaccines.

(4) [SB 871](#): **Public health: immunizations. (Pan)**

This bill would add COVID-19 to the list of diseases for which a child must be immunized in order to attend school or daycare. This bill would also remove the personal belief exemption for any additional vaccine requirements added by the California Department of Health.

(5) [SB 1479](#): **COVID19 testing in schools: COVID19 testing plans. (PAN)**

Requires schools to continue COVID19 testing. This bill would require each school district, county office of education, and charter school to create a COVID-19 testing plan and designate one staff member to report information on its COVID-19 testing program to the department. The bill would require that all COVID-19 testing data be in a format that facilitates a simple process by which parents and local educational agencies may report data to the department. By imposing new obligations on local educational agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would also authorize each school within a school district to name a staff member to lead its COVID-19 testing program. The bill would require the department to determine which COVID-19 tests are appropriate for the testing program.

(6) [SB 920](#): **Medical Board of California: investigations: record requests (Hurtado)**

This bill would authorize a board investigator and a medical consultant, at the discretion of the board, to inspect the business location and records of a physician or surgeon, including patient and client records. The bill would provide that in the case where consent of a patient to inspect patient records is not present, the board investigator and medical consultant may inspect records in the office of the licensee for the limited purpose of determining whether good cause exists to seek a subpoena for those records.

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(7) [SB1464](#): **Law enforcement: public health orders (Pan)**

This bill would require those sheriffs and peace officers to enforce public health and other orders “for the purpose of preventing the spread of any contagious, infectious, or communicable disease.” This bill would create a state-mandated local program and prohibit state funds from being provided to any law enforcement agency that publicly announces that they will oppose, or adopts a policy to oppose, a public health order.

(8) [AB 1797](#): **Development of a state immunization registry. (Weber) (“Spot Bill” with no language currently)**

Would merge the three CA Immunization Registry tracking systems to create one statewide system and all vaccines will be required to be entered into the CA Immunization Registry (CAIR). Schools and other entities would have access to all vaccine records, rather than just those of their students/patients or the particular vaccines required for school.

Summaries and **Talking Points** contributed by [AVFCA](#), [CHCA](#) and [FOR- US](#), [PERK](#), [Freedom Keepers](#), [COHR](#)

HOW TO SUBMIT A POSITION LETTER:

All Letters

- Are due by **3:00 p.m. seven (7) calendar days before a scheduled hearing** in order to be considered in the analysis.
 - *The hearings have not been set yet. HOWEVER, start submitting your papers now so you (1) you not scrambling once they are and (2) you give them time to review and consider your points.*
 - *Be sure to be following @factslawtruthjustice, @ca_freedom_keepers, @perk_group and/or @avoiceforchoice so you know when the hearings are scheduled and can respond to Calls to Action (“CTA’s”).*
- Letters must clearly indicate position – “Support” or “Oppose” – letters containing “concerns” or “conditional support will not be listed on the analysis.
- Submit letters only once unless bill is subsequently amended causing uncertainty as to the organization's present position.
- Submit via the Legislature’s [Advocacy Portal](#) [“Submit Position Letter”] and/or Mail to: Senate Health Committee, State Capitol Room 2191, Sacramento, CA 95814.

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How to Submit Online Via the Portal

1. Identify the bill(s) you want to Support or Oppose.
2. Go to the [California Legislature's Position Letter Portal](#) and create an account.
If you are the head of an organization, please register as an individual and as an organization and submit your papers on behalf of both.
3. Select "Measure Number" (means bill number, e.g. AB1993, SB866).
4. Select "Session Type" (Regular Session).
5. Hit "Search" button.
6. Select the Committees to submit to.

There will be a drop down with all the committees that the measure has been assigned to.
Please submit your statements to each one listed.

7. Select your stance (Support or Oppose).
8. Input note message in the note box AND/OR attach your letter.
9. Complete the Captcha and select the "Submit" button.
10. Repeat for each committee and each bill.
11. For more detailed steps please
 1. Watch this 3 min video from the CA Legislature's ["How to Submit a Letter"](#)
 2. Visit their [FAQ's Section](#).
 3. Review the Legislature's [Advocacy Quick Reference Guide](#)

Notes for Organizational and/or Coalition Letters

1. Must be on letterhead with signature and title of an official of the organization.
2. Include all logos, signatures, and titles for all organizations in the coalition.