

Senior Services Coalition 2022 California Bill List

Every year SSC tracks – and advocates for – legislative proposals that will help us meet the challenges of aging and live successfully in our communities, now and in the future. Below is a summary of the 2022 bills we’re actively tracking.

Bill #	Author; Co-Authors; Sponsors	Description	SSC Position
AB 470	Carillo ; WCLP and Justice In Aging	This bill will clean up the code for eliminating the Medi-Cal assets test on January 1, 2024, following the 2021 budget agreement that also raises the asset limits effective July 1, 2022.	Support
AB 1900	Arambula; Bet Tzedek, CANHR, Disability Rights California, Justice in Aging, Senior & Disability Action	This bill will make the Medi-Cal Share of Cost program more affordable by updating the maintenance need levels to 138% of the federal poverty level. Today, older adults and people with disabilities who are just \$1 over the free Medi-Cal limit are forced to pay over \$800 of their monthly income on health care and are expected to survive on just \$600—the maintenance need level—to pay for rent, food, utilities, and all other expenses.	Support
AB 2077	Calderon	Increase Medi-Cal monthly maintenance need for long-term care from \$35 to \$50 per month.	Support
AB 2547	Nazarian; Justice in Aging, Corporation for Supportive Housing, LeadingAge CA, State Council on Developmental Disabilities, United Way of Greater LA, Coalition on Solutions to Older Adult Homelessness	<p>The <u>Housing Stabilization to Prevent and End Homelessness Among Older Adults and People with Disabilities Act</u> advances the Master Plan for Aging goal of preventing and ending homelessness among older adults and PWD.</p> <p>The budget ask is for \$1.4 Billion in one-time funds to create a targeted rent subsidy for those most at risk for homelessness, or currently unhoused, administered through CDA to local organizations at the intersection of aging, disability and housing. We welcome your organization’s support, and a fact sheet will be available soon. For further information, contact Patti Prunhuber at pprunhuber@justiceinaging.org or Meghan Rose at Mrose@leadingageca.org.</p>	Support
AB 2750	Bonta (also Garcia, Quirk-Silva, Wood)	This bill would require the California Department of Technology, in consultation with the public, the Public Utilities Commission, and the California Broadband Council, to develop a state digital equity plan. The plan would include the identification of barriers to digital equity faced by specified populations (including people age 65+, veterans, households with incomes under 150% FPL, people with disabilities, those with language barriers, members of racial or ethnic minorities, residents of rural areas) and measurable objectives towards achieving digital equity among those populations. The bill would require the department to seek all available federal funding for purposes of developing and implementing the plan.	Support