



## Memorandum

To: Panel Members Date: July 22, 2016

From: Stewart Knox, Executive Director File:

Subject: LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

1. The following bills have been introduced in the 2015-16 legislative session that has a *potential or direct impact* on the Employment Training Panel (ETP) program:

**AB 1598 (Assemblyman Philip Ting) Budget Act of 2016 & SB 825 (Senator Mark Leno) Budget Act of 2016**

**Summary:** These are the budget bill placeholders for this year's budget.

**Status:** AB 1598 (Ting) & SB 825 (Leno): Budget Act of 2016: Introduced January 7, 2016. SB 825 was heard a second time, amended, and re-referred to the Senate Committee on Budgets & Fiscal Review on June 6, 2016. AB 1598 was read a second time, amended, and re-referred to the Committee on Budgets on June 1, 2016.

2. The following bills have been introduced in the 2015-16 legislative session that *may have a potential impact* on the Employment Training Panel (ETP) program, or that *may be of interest* to the Panel:

**AB 1029 (Assemblyman Jim Frazier) Veterans: Service Providers**

**Summary:** Would allow entities meeting specified requirements to apply to the Department of Veterans Affairs to become certified California veteran service providers. The bill would require the department to maintain a list of certified California veteran service providers on its Internet Web site, including the type of supportive services provided by the providers. The bill would require that certification would remain valid for 3 years unless the entity is decertified by the department.

**Status:** Bill was amended and re-referred to the Senate Committee on Appropriations on June 21, 2016. AB 1029 was also read for the second time in committee on June 21, 2016. Bill currently resides at the Senate Committee on Appropriations.

## **AB 2642 (Assemblyman Eduardo Garcia) Removing Barriers to Employment Act**

**Summary:** Would enact the Removing Barriers to Employment Act, which would establish the Breaking Barriers to Employment Initiative within the Labor and Workforce Development Agency. The bill would require the initiative to be led by the Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development and authorizes the secretary to assign all or part of the administration of the initiative to one or more entities within the agency's oversight, or to authorize another state agency, under specified conditions, to administer a portion of the initiative.

**Status:** Bill was last referred to the Assembly Committee of Appropriations on 4/27/16.