SUBCOMMITTEE #3:
Health & Human Services

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Agenda -- Part 2
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ISSUES RECOMMENDED FOR VOTE ONLY

ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION

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4170 Department of Aging

1. April Letter - Health Insurance Counseling and Advocacy Program Augmentation

The California Department of Aging (CDA) requests an increase of $161,000 for the Health Insurance Counseling Program (HICAP) and $1,216,000 to reflect receipt of additional federal grant funds. CDA received an increase in federal funds to support existing program and grant administration activities for HICAP. The additional funds will support increased workload in the State Health Insurance Program and California's Coordinated Care Initiative associated with expanded federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services reporting requirements, training, outreach, and awareness of health insurance counseling to the eight counties -- Alameda, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Mateo, and Santa Clara -- participating in Cal MediConnect.

Recommendation. Approve Item 1.

5160 Department of Rehabilitation

1. Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Supplemental Funding

The Department of Rehabilitation (DOR) requests an additional $500,000 to the Traumatic Brain Injury Fund from the Driver Training Penalty Assessment Fund. DOR administers the Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) program. Seven providers located throughout the state deliver services, which include coordinated post-acute care, such as supported living, community reintegration, and vocational supports, to help impacted individuals lead productive and independent lives. TBI Fund revenues stem from penalties paid for various violations of California's Vehicle Code, including the seatbelt law.

Recommendation. Approve Item 1. The Subcommittee heard and discussed this item during its March 27, 2014 hearing. No concerns have been raised.

5175 Department of Child Support Services

1. California Child Support Automation System - Information Technology Contract Staff Reduction

The Department of Child Support Services (DCSS) requests a shift, starting in the budget year and until FY 2016-17, in local assistance funding to state operations for $11.95 million ($4.06 million GF), and for position authority for 100 full-time permanent positions to replace 100 contract staff. The resources would continue the maintenance and operations of the federally-mandated California Child Support Automation System (CCSAS) Child Support Enforcement (CSE) system. The Administration notes that this transition will result in a reduction of $699,196 ($237,727 GF) over three years.

Recommendation. Approve Item 1. The Subcommittee heard and discussed this item during its May 1, 2014 hearing.

0530 Health and Human Services Agency: Office of Systems Integration
5180 Department of Social Services

1. Case Management, Information, & Payrolling System II (CMIPS II)

The budget requests to align the Office of Systems Integration (OSI) spending authority with the CMIPS II system rollout and transition to Maintenance and Operations (M&O) in 2013-14, and 2014-15. Specifically, the budget proposes an increase of $115,000 in OSI spending authority and a corresponding increase of $2.9 million in the Department of Social Services (DSS) Local Assistance for FY 2013-14, and a net decrease in OSI spending authority of $33.7 million for the budget year. The proposal also includes authority for ten new permanent state staff ($1.48 million) and a corresponding decrease of $36.7 million in the DSS Local Assistance.

Correspondingly, the DSS budget requests six permanent positions to support the CMIPS II project in its maintenance and operations (M&O) phase. This proposal has a corresponding reduction to its Local Assistance budget as it was originally budgeted within OSI. DSS will assume the lead role for the service and support activities that were formerly outsourced. Duties in this role include system enhancements, inputting of legislatively mandated changes, validation and testing, data extraction, research, analysis, and reporting. CMIPS II will provide monthly and quarterly system updates during the M&O period that will necessitate DSS oversight, leadership, support, and approval.

Staff Comment and Recommendation. Approve Item 1. The Subcommittee heard and discussed this item during its March 13, 2014 hearing. No concerns have been raised.

2. Affordable Care Act Caseload Growth & Case Management System

The budget proposes $9.8 million ($1.3 million GF) in budget year; $9.8 million ($1.3 million GF) in FY 2015-16; 63 new limited-term positions; and, funding for two existing positions. The proposal is comprised of two components:

    1. Affordable Care Act (ACA) Caseload. The department requests the following positions to address Medi-Cal expansion and Covered California referrals:
- Three Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) II supervisors;
- Four ALJ II program specialists;
- 15 ALJ II hearing specialists;
- 17 ALJs;
- Seven office technicians (six to ACA caseload, one to DSS);
- 12 management services technicians;
- Three staff service analysts/associate government program analysts (SSA/AGPA)
- Three staff services managers of various levels; and,
- One associate information systems analyst.

    2. Appeals Case Management System. The department requests the following positions to develop, implement, and maintain a new Appeals Case Management System (ACMS):
- One 3½-year, limited-term staff services manager;
- Three 3½-year limited-term SSA/AGPAs;

- One permanent systems software specialist;
- One 4-year limited-term systems software specialist;
- One 4-year limited-term senior programmer analyst;
- One 4-year limited-term staff programmer analyst;
- One 4-year limited-term associate programmer analyst;
- One 4-year limited-term department manager; and,
- One 3½-year limited-term senior information systems analyst.

In addition, the Office of Systems Integration requests $130,000 in one-time expenditure authority to provide procurement and acquisition subject matter expertise to DSS on the State Hearings Division ACMS project.

Staff Comment and Recommendation. Approve Item 2. The Subcommittee heard and discussed this item during its May 1, 2014 hearing.

ISSUES FOR DISCUSSION
Public testimony will be taken for the items listed in this section.

Multiple Departments

1. Human Services-Related Proposals for Restoration, Augmentation, and Expansion

Various stakeholders have submitted proposals for funding restoration, augmentation, or program expansion. The table below includes issues that have not been previously discussed in this Subcommittee. The Subcommittee has invited a panel, including the Legislative Analyst's Office and proponents of the proposals, to provide a background and context.

- Darrell Kelch, Executive Director, California Association of Agencies on Aging
- Frank Mecca, Executive Director, California Welfare Directors Association
- Phil Ansell, Chief Deputy, Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services

Aging Issues		
Program	**Description**	**Amount Requested**
Adult Protective Services (APS) - Training	Proposal increases training days from 5 to 12 days per worker; supports curriculum development and training for supervisors, joint training with public guardians, and advanced training for APS staff.	$1.25 million
California Long-Term Care (LTC) Ombudsman Program	Provides advocacy services to protect the health, safety, welfare, and rights of residents of skilled nursing facilities and residential care facilities for the elderly. In FY 2011-12, the Ombudsman conducted 44,771 facility monitoring visits and instigated 37,542 resident complaints.	$3.8 million
Brown Bag Program	The program provided food staples used throughout the week. Elimination of the program resulted in a loss of over $21 million of food and services.	$541,000
Senior Companion Program	The program engaged senior volunteers to provide supportive services, such as housekeeping and shopping, to at-risk older persons.	$317,000

CalFresh		
Program	**Description**	**Amount Requested**
CalFresh Administration Match Waiver	Phase-out the waiver over 5 fiscal years, beginning in 2014-15, by reducing by 20% each year, the amount of a county's GF allocation, as opposed to eliminating the waiver in the budget year.	Unknown.

Staff Comment. The item is informational and included for discussion. No action is necessary.

Appendix A

Appendix A lists other human services-related proposals that have been previously discussed during the May 1, 2014 hearing. Those items include the following:

Child Welfare Services		
Program	**Description**	**Amount Requested**
Foster Parent Recruitment, Retention, and Support	The proposals seeks to: (1) Hire county foster parent recruitment/support coordinators. (2) Provide parent support and training outreach for recruitment. (3) Provide supplemental funding to foster caregivers and a supplemental rate for emergency placement foster homes.	$13.5 million ($6.75 million GF)
Foster Youth Permanency	Provides start-up capital for two counties to create or expand specialized youth permanency programs, with provisions that each county track and reinvest savings, replicating a model pioneered by Sacramento County.	First-year costs: $750,000 FY 15-10 to FY 2018-19: $1.2 million annually
Interim Social Worker Reform for Foster Family Agencies (FFA)	Directs Dept. of Social Services to adjust the minimum payment to the social worker component in the FFA rate to reflect California Necessities Index (CNI) adjustments back to July 1, 2001, increasing funding for FFA social worker wages, from $15.13 to $23.91.	$25 million
Protecting and Serving Child Victims of Commercial Sexual Exploitation	The proposal, among other items, seeks to: (1) Create county coordinator position to serve as a liaison with other first responders. (2) Provide funding for additional caseworkers in 12 large counties. (3) Provide training for staff, caseworker, and local partners. (4) Provide an enhanced foster care rate for placements. (5) My Life, My Choice Training for foster youth, ages 11-17 (both probation & foster).	First-year costs: $40.563 million ($20.282 million GF) Ongoing costs: $28.517 million ($14.259 million GF)
Relative Caregiver Equity	Provides non-federally eligible foster children in relative-placements equal financial support and benefits, as children in other non-relative foster home or group homes.	$30-35 million