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4120**Emergency Medical Services Authority****Issue****Description****Difference**
(dollars in thousands)**Conference Action****4120-001-0001 Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA)**

501	Funding for Mobile Field Hospitals	Senate \$0
	Governor (no proposal).	
	Senate (no proposal).	Assembly \$1,960 GF
	Assembly augmented budget by \$1.96 million GF to make three mobile field hospitals fully functional.	Difference \$1,960 GF

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4140-101-0001	Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHDP)		
300	Song-Brown Program – Add Residency Slots	Senate \$0	
	Governor (no proposal).		
	Senate (no proposal).	Assembly \$4,000 GF + TBL	
	Assembly approved augmentation of \$4 million GF and adopted trailer bill language to add new residency slots in the Song-Brown Program.	Difference \$4,000 GF + TBL	

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
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4150-001-033 Department of Managed Health Care (DMHC)

075 Federal Mental Health Parity

Governor requested a one-time augmentation of \$369,000 (Managed Care Fund) for clinical consulting services to conduct initial front-end compliance reviews to ensure oversight of California’s implementation of the federal Paul Wellstone and Pete Domenici Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act of 2008. In addition, DMHC requested trailer bill language to provide DMHC state authority to enforce these requirements and conform to federal rules to impose these requirements on large group products.

Senate
\$4,200 SF +
TBL

Assembly
AAB

Difference
\$4,200 SF +
TBL

Senate approved Governor’s request and added 10 positions to enforce this rule. Adopted TBL to (1) require DMHC to begin the focused surveys of health plan’s compliance with federal mental health parity beginning January 1, 2016, annually for least 5 years, (2) provide the Legislature an annual report on the survey findings including analysis of timely access to services, equity of co-pays and deductibles and treatment limitations beginning August 1, 2015.

Assembly approved Governor’s proposal.

4260**Department of Health Care Services**

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4260-001-0001/0890 Department of Health Care Services			
335	Medi-Cal Managed Care Ombudsman Program	Senate	
	Governor (no proposal).	\$1,015 (\$508 GF, \$508 FF)	
	Senate added nine positions to the Medi-Cal Managed Care Ombudsman Program to assist Medi-Cal beneficiaries understand their managed care benefits and resolve issues with managed care plans.	Assembly \$0	
	Assembly (no proposal).	Difference \$1,015 (\$508 GF, \$508 FF)	

4260**Department of Health Care Services**

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4260-101-0001/0890 Medi-Cal Local Assistance			
107	Vision Outreach Pilot Project	Senate \$2,036	
	Governor proposed \$2 million (\$1 million GF) for a pilot program in Los Angeles County to expand vision screenings and services for children through the use of qualified mobile vision providers at school sites.	(\$1,018 GF) +TBL	
	Senate approved.	Assembly \$0	
	Assembly denied.	Difference \$2,036 (\$1,018 GF) +TBL	

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4260-101-0001/0890, 4260-113-1001/0890	Medi-Cal Local Assistance		
103	<p>Medi-Cal Mandatory Expansion</p> <p>Governor proposed in May Revision an increase of \$513 million GF, as compared to the Governor’s January budget, to reflect updated caseload projections and updated costs related to individuals who received Medi-Cal as a result of the federal Affordable Care Act’s (ACA) mandatory Medi-Cal expansion. The mandatory expansion simplified eligibility and enrollment rules, and increased program awareness for individuals who were previously eligible to receive Medi-Cal benefits, but not enrolled in the program.</p> <p>Senate reduced Governor’s budget by \$300 million GF (over the current year and budget year) to reflect LAO’s initial estimate and finding that Administration’s per capita cost for this population was too high.</p> <p>Assembly reduced Governor’s budget by \$342 million GF (over the current year and budget year) to reflect LAO’s refined estimate and finding that Administration’s per capita cost for this population was too high.</p>	<p>Senate -\$300 million GF</p> <p>Assembly -\$342 million GF</p> <p>Difference -\$42 million GF</p>	

4260**Department of Health Care Services**

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4260-101-0001	Medi-Cal Local Assistance		
330	Electronic Health Records (EHR) – State Match Governor (no proposal).	Senate \$3,750 GF + TBL	
	Senate provided \$3.75 million GF as the state match to draw down \$37.5 million in federal funds for activities related EHR adoption and support.	Assembly \$0	
	Assembly (no proposal).	Difference \$3,750 GF + TBL	

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4260-101-0001/0890	Medi-Cal Local Assistance		
350	Increase Medi-Cal Provider Reimbursement Rates	Senate	
		\$238,386	
	Governor forgave certain retroactive payment reductions.	(\$119,193 GF) + TBL	
	Senate restored reductions on a prospective basis for all fee-for-service providers except pharmacy effective July 1, 2014. Also provided \$12 million GF to be used by DHCS if it finds other exemptions to payment reductions are needed.	Assembly \$193,678 (\$96,839 GF) + TBL	
	Assembly (1) forgave all retroactive payment reductions effective July 1, 2014 for \$32 million GF, and (2) eliminated prospective payment reductions for all providers beginning April 1, 2015 for \$69 million GF in 2014-15 and \$274 million GF in 2015-16, and ongoing.	Difference \$44,708 (\$22,354 GF) + TBL	

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4260-101-0001/0890 Medi-Cal Local Assistance			
351	Eliminate Rate Freeze for Intermediate Care Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled (ICF-DDs)	Senate \$0	
	Governor (no proposal).	Assembly \$16,571	
	Senate (no proposal).	(\$8,285 GF) + TBL	
	Assembly adopted trailer bill language to eliminate the rate freeze for ICF-DDs effective April 1, 2015 for \$8.2 million GF in 2014-15 and \$33.1 million GF in 2015-16, and ongoing.	Difference \$16,571 (\$8,285 GF) + TBL	

4260**Department of Health Care Services**

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4260-101-0001/0890 Medi-Cal Local Assistance			
352	Rate Adjustment for Programs for All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE)	Senate \$0	
	Governor (no proposal).	Assembly \$3,649	
	Senate (no proposal).	(\$1,824 GF) + TBL	
	Assembly adopted trailer bill language to adjust rates paid to PACE providers from 90 percent of the upper payment limit to 95 percent beginning on April 1, 2015 for \$1.8 million GF in 2014-15 and \$7.3 million GF in 2015-16 and ongoing.	Difference \$3,649 (\$1,824 GF) + TBL	

4260**Department of Health Care Services**

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4260-101-0001/0890	Medi-Cal Local Assistance		
360	Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) Services	Senate	
	Governor (no proposal).	\$100,000 (\$50,000 GF) + TBL	
	Senate adopted trailer bill language to add ABA services to Medi-Cal managed care for children ineligible for regional center service and to convene a stakeholder workgroup to implement this new benefit and to develop utilization controls to limit expenditures related to this new benefit. Added \$100 million (\$50 million GF) for this new benefit.	Assembly \$0	
	Assembly (no proposal).	Difference \$100,000 (\$50,000 GF) + TBL	

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4260-101-0001/0890 Medi-Cal Local Assistance			
370	Restoration of Medi-Cal Optional Benefits for Adults	Senate \$27,721 (\$12,846 GF) +TBL	
	Governor (no proposal).		
	Senate restored the following optional benefits that were eliminated in 2009: acupuncture, audiology, chiropractic, incontinence cream and washes, optician/optical lab, podiatry, speech therapy effective July 1, 2014. Added \$27.7 million (\$12.8 million GF) for the restoration of these benefits.	Assembly \$0 Difference \$27,721 (\$12,846 GF) +TBL	
	Assembly (no proposal).		

4260**Department of Health Care Services**

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4260-115-0001	Department of Health Care Services		
223	Caregiver Resource Centers Augmentation	Senate \$0	
	Governor (no proposal).		
	Senate (no proposal).	Assembly \$2,900 GF	
	Assembly added \$2.9 million GF over Governor's budget for Caregiver Resource Centers.	Difference \$2,900 GF	

4260**Department of Health Care Services**

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4260-119-0232 Department of Health Care Services			
301	Robert F. Kennedy Medical Plan – Stop Loss Coverage	Senate \$3,200 SF + TBL	
	Governor (no proposal).		
	Senate adopted trailer bill language to provide \$3.2 million in one-time Proposition 99 funds to be allocated to the Robert F. Kennedy Plan to purchase stop loss insurance.	Assembly \$0	
	Assembly (no proposal).	Difference \$3,200 SF + TBL	

4265	Department of Public Health		Conference Action
Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action

4265-001-0001 Department of Public Health (DPH)

506	California Biomonitoring Program	Senate AAB	
	Governor requests funding for two positions to support the Biomonitoring Program as federal funding for the program is being reduced.	Assembly \$2,000 GF	
	Senate approved Governor's proposal.	Difference \$2,000 GF	
	Assembly approved Governor's proposal and augmented the program by \$2 million General Fund.		

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4265-001-0001	Department of Public Health (DPH)		
	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program for Education (SNAP – Ed) – Stakeholder Group	Senate +BBL	
	Governor (no proposal).	Assembly +TBL	
	Senate approved budget bill language to require DPH to convene a stakeholder workgroup on a quarterly basis to ensure a smooth transition from contracted vendors for the SNAP-Ed program to civil service staff.	Difference BBL vs. TBL	
	Assembly approved trailer bill language to require DPH to convene a stakeholder workgroup on a quarterly basis to ensure a smooth transition from contracted vendors for the SNAP-Ed program to civil service staff.		

4265	Department of Public Health		Conference Action
Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action

4265-001-0001 Department of Public Health (DPH)

509	Health in All Policies (HiAP) Task Force	Senate -\$458 (special funds)	
	Governor requests \$458,000 and four full-time permanent positions to staff the HiAP Task Force.	Assembly AAB	
	Senate denied Governor's proposal.	Difference -\$458 (special funds)	
	Assembly approved Governor's proposal.		

4265	Department of Public Health	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
Issue	Description		

4265-111-0001 Department of Public Health (DPH)

507	Funding for Tuberculosis (TB) Control Mandated Activities	Senate \$250 GF + TBL	
	Governor proposed suspension of the TB control mandate.	Assembly \$0	
	Senate rejected proposed suspension. Adopted trailer bill language and allocated funds, starting in 2014-15, to counties for these activities as part of DPH's TB control grant.	Difference \$250 GF + TBL	
	Assembly rejected proposed suspension.		

4265**Department of Public Health**

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4265-111-0001	Department of Public Health (DPH)		
513& 514	Public Health Reinvestment Governor (no proposal).	Senate \$8,900 GF + TBL	
	Senate augment DPH's budget by:	Assembly \$53,000 GF +TBL	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black Infant Health (\$3.9 million) • HIV Prevention Pilot Projects (\$5 million) 		
	Assembly augmented DPH's budget by:	Difference \$44,100 GF +TBL	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black Infant Health (\$4 million) • HIV Pilot Prevention Projects (\$2 million) • Adolescent Family Life (\$3 million) • PrEP Demonstration Projects (\$3 million) • Office of AIDS – Family Size (\$3.3 million) • Syringe Access Programs (\$3 million) • STD Prevention (\$2 million) • Teen Pregnancy (\$5 million) • Injury Control (\$1 million) • Asthma Public Health Initiative (\$1 million) • Dental Disease Prevention Program (\$3.5 million) • Public Health Lab. Training Program (\$2.2 million) • School Based Health Centers (\$3 million) • Drug Overdose Grant Program (\$2 million) • Early Mental Health Initiative (\$15 million) 		

4440**Department of State Hospitals**

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4440-011-0001	Department of State Hospitals		
100 202	Incompetent to Stand Trial Population	Senate -\$19,556 GF TBL SRL Assembly \$0	
	Governor proposed \$27.8 million GF to increase the number of Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) beds in state hospitals by 105. In addition, the Administration requested \$2.1 million GF to increase the restoration of competency (ROC) program in county jails by approximately 50 beds.		
	Senate denied the proposed increase for 105 IST beds and instead expanded the funding for the restoration of competency in county jails by \$8.2 million GF for 105 additional beds. In addition, the Senate adopted placeholder trailer bill allowing community residential mental health providers to participate in the restoration of competency program.	Difference -\$19,556 GF TBL SRL	
	Assembly adopted the Administration’s proposal for both IST and restoration of competency.		

4440 Department of State Hospitals

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
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4440-011-0001 Department of State Hospitals

204	Retention and Recruitment at State Hospitals	Senate \$0	
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Governor took no action on this item.

Senate took no action on this item.

Assembly
\$1,600 GF

Assembly approved \$1.6 million GF to DSH for the recruitment and retention of physicians and surgeons employed by state hospitals. The increased funding is intended to provide a ten percent salary increase for those classifications.

Difference
-\$1,600

4440**Department of State Hospitals**

Issue	Description	Difference (dollars in thousands)	Conference Action
4440-011-0001 Department of State Hospitals			
602	Enhanced Treatment Unit Preliminary Plans and Working Drawings	Senate -\$2,103 GF	
603	Governor requested a total of \$2.1 million GF for the preliminary planning stages for building Enhanced Treatment Units that contain rooms that lock from the outside.	Assembly \$0 BBL	
	Senate rejected both the January budget proposal for \$1.5 million GF and the spring finance letter requesting an additional \$603,000 GF.	Difference -\$2,103 GF BBL	
	Assembly approved the proposal and added provisional language that prohibits the expenditure of the funds until legislation is passed and signed that provides DSH with the authority to establish Enhanced Treatment Units.		