
Inventory of the California State Senate Health Committee Records, 2005-2012

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Inventory of the California State Senate Health Committee Records

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Abstract: The Senate Health Committee is the most recent Senate committee to oversee bills relating to public health, alcohol and drug abuse, mental health, health insurance and managed care, and related institutions. The Senate Health Committee Records consist of approximately 53 cubic feet of textual and audiovisual records. The records are organized into three series: Bill Files, Hearing Files, and Subject Files. The Bill Files consist of 41 cubic feet of textual records spanning the years 2005-2012. The majority of the Bill Files relate to topics within the committee's jurisdiction - primarily Long Term Health Care; school food nutrition guidelines; stem cell research; drinking water standards; immunizations; suicide prevention; and health care programs, including the California Children and Families Act of 1988.

Physical location: California State Archives

Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English

Access

While the majority of the records are open for research, any access restrictions are noted in the record series descriptions.

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Biography

The Senate Health Committee is the most recent Senate committee to oversee bills relating to public health, alcohol and drug abuse, mental health, health insurance and managed care, and related institutions. The first committee that had "bills" relating to public health, alcohol and drug abuse, mental health, health insurance, and managed care under its purview was the Senate Health and Welfare Committee. It was created by Senate Resolution 9 on January 6, 1970. Its purpose was to review "all bills relating to public health; welfare; alcoholic beverages; and all bills relating to the State Department of Mental Hygiene or to institutions under its jurisdiction, including: state hospitals, homes for the feeble-minded, inebriate colonies, institutions for delinquents, homes for blind, industrial workshops, and any other institutions of similar nature; and bills relating to the Youth Authority and to institutions under its jurisdiction" (California

Legislature at Sacramento, 1970, p93). On February 17, 1984, the Senate passed Resolution 33 which changed the committee name to the Senate Health and Human Services Committee; the scope remained the same. On December 6, 2004, Senate Resolution 4 disbanded the Senate Health and Human Services committee and formed the Senate Health Committee. The new committee's scope excluded bills relating to welfare, social programs and services, and related institutions. Bills relating to welfare programs, are now under the jurisdiction of the Senate Human Services Committee. The Senate Health Committee heard bills relating to public health, alcohol and drug abuse, mental health, health insurance and managed care, and related institutions. From 2005 through 2006, the Senate Health Committee had four subcommittees: Aging and Long-Term Care, chaired by Elaine Konotominas Alquist; Medicine and Health Care; Mental Health; and Neurodevelopment Disorders, and Stem Cell Research Oversight. Deborah Ortiz chaired the other three subcommittees. From 2007 to 2011 the only subcommittee that remained under the Health Committee was Aging and Long-Term Care. In 2012, Healthcare Workforce and Access to Care Subcommittee was chaired by Ed Hernandez. From 2007 to 2012, Alquist continued to chair the Aging and Long-Term Care subcommittee.

The chairs for the committee from 2005 to 2012 were as follows:

Senate Health Committee, 2005-2012

Ortiz, Deborah (Dem), 2005-2006

Kuehl, Shelia James (Dem), 2007-2008

Alquist, Elaine Kontominas (Dem), 2009-2010

Hernandez, Ed (Dem), 2011-2012

Scope and Content

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It is anticipated that the Archives will receive further records from the Senate Health Committee, as it remains a functional standing committee in the California State Senate. Researchers should inquire with the reference archivist about recently received, unprocessed records of the committee.

Accruals

Further accruals expected.

Related Collections at the California State Archives

Senate Health and Human Services Committee Records

Indexing Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

Prisoners - Health and hygiene - California

Drug abuse - Prevention

Health insurance

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Series 1 **Bill Files 2005-2012****Physical Description:** 864 file folders**Arrangement**

Arranged chronologically by legislative session then numerically by bill number.

Scope and Content Note

The committee analyzed bills affecting public health, alcohol and drug abuse, mental health, health insurance and managed care, and related institutions. Most bill files include all or some of the following items: bill analyses; amendments and resolutions; press releases; newspaper clippings; correspondence; and analyses of similar, usually prior, legislation.

The files include committee analysis, letters from interested parties, and the comments of affected agencies. Notable legislation includes AB682 (2007-2008), which revised the written and informed consent standards associated with testing blood for HIV/AIDS; SB1029 (2009-2010), which allowed individuals up to 30 syringes or needles for personal use without a prescription from a pharmacy; AB2572 (2007-2008), which required a food facility with twenty or more locations throughout the state to disclose to customers specified nutrition information for standard food items, and their close involvement with Latino Coalition for a Healthy California (LCHC), California Nurses Association (CNA), American Heart Association, the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

2005-2006: SB12-SB1851, SCA13, SCR49, SJR5-SJR28 (95ff) LP462:1-95

2005-2006: AB8-AB3071, ACR1-ACR114, AJR24-AJR59 (77ff) LP462:96-172

2007-2008: SB7-SB1773, SJR8-SJR20, SR17 (101ff) LP462:173-273

2007-2008: SB13X-SB127X (4ff) LP462:423-426

2007-2008: AB1-AB3082, ACR87-ACR134, AJR13-AJR58 (149ff) LP462:274-422

2007-2008: AB11X-AB12X (6ff) LP462:427-432

2009-2010: SB1-SB1431, SCA29, SCR66, SJR13-SJR31, SR21, SBX3_13-SBX3_24, SBX8_24-SBX8_65 (91ff) LP462:433-524

2009-2010: AB2-AB2787, ACR2-ACR74, AJR9-AJR42 (108ff) LP462:525-633

2011-2012: SB20-SB1538, SR20 (117ff) LP462:634-750

2011-2012: AB43-AB2608, AJR30 (114ff) LP462:751-864

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Series 2 **Hearing Files 2005-2010****Physical Description:** 12 file folders, 28 audiotapes, 4 CDs**Arrangement**

Arranged chronologically by hearing date.

Access Information

Access to audiovisual material requires the production of use copies.

Scope and Content Note

Hearing files for the committee may contain agendas, audiotapes, transcripts, testimony, background, and working files for regular session hearings as well as interim hearings and select joint committee hearings. Audiotapes have been separated to a cold-storage vault for preservation purposes and separation sheets are in the hearing files to alert the researcher to the existence of these tapes.

For a chronological list of hearing files, see Appendix A in Additional Series Information.

Audio/vidiotapes have been removed to cold storage and separation sheets are included within the file folders to indicate this.

Additional Series Information[Appendix A: List of Hearing Files](#)

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Series 3 **Subject Files 2005-2006**

Physical Description: 2 file folders

Arrangement

Arranged alphabetically by subject title.

Scope and Content Note

Subject files created by the committee may include correspondence, emails, memoranda, statistical findings, and published and unpublished reports. Of particular note are those files related to Payment of Provider Services Information and Complaints, as well as AB1321 (2005) which prohibits a non-contracting emergency physician working at a hospital that contracts with HMO from billing a patient. This series also contains files related to health care services plans and unfair payment patterns.

Senate Subcommittee on Aging and Long Term Care 1997-2011

Scope and Content

Records from the Senate Subcommittee on Aging consist of 4 cubic feet of material reflecting the activity of the committee in introducing and investigating legislation related to healthy eating and access to healthy foods, amongst other health related legislation. The records cover the years 1997-2011. They comprise Bill Files, 2007-2008; Hearing Files, 1997-2009; and Correspondence, 2010-2011.

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Series 1 **Bill Files 2007-2008**

Physical Description: 27 file folders

Arrangement

Arranged chronologically by legislative session then numerically by bill number.

Scope and Content

Most bill files include all or some of the following items: bill analyses; amendments and resolutions; press releases; newspaper clippings; correspondence; and analyses of similar, usually prior, legislation.

2007-2008: SB48-SB1593, SCR62 (27ff) LP462:878-904

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Series 2 **Hearing Files 1997-2009**

Physical Description: 62 file folders, 26 audiotapes

Arrangement

Arranged chronologically by hearing date.

Access Information

Access to audiovisual material requires the production of use copies.

Scope and Content

Hearing files for the subcommittee may contain audiotapes, transcripts, background, and working files for regular session hearings as well as select joint hearings. Hearing topics include renewable energy, Alzheimer's disease, support for family caregivers, and issues regarding elderly living standards.

For a chronological list of hearing files, see Appendix B in Additional Series Information.

Additional Series Information

[Appendix B: List of Hearing Files](#)

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Series 3 **Correspondence 2010-2011**

Physical Description: 1 file folder

Arrangement

Arranged chronologically by date.

Scope and Content

This series contains correspondence from representatives of regional centers, constituents and medical professionals. The correspondence relates to the funding of California's Burn Institute in Imperial County, and information regarding Pertussis vaccination.