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ALPHA Fund: Workers' Comp Bills Session End Report – October 2011

Subject and Bill – ACHD / ALPHA Fund Position	Status	Assigned	Priority
AB 211 (Cedillo D) Workers' compensation: permanent disability benefits. Restructures the Supplemental Job Displacement Voucher that is provided to injured workers that cannot return to work. Oppose unless Amended	VETOED	Amber	Low
AB 325 (Lowenthal, Bonnie D) Employee's right to bereavement leave. Requires every employer to provide bereavement for every employee. Oppose unless Amended	VETOED	Amber	Low
AB 335 (Solorio D) Workers' compensation: notices. Clarifies the workers' compensation process for injured workers by improving the mandatory benefit notices sent to them by their employers. Support	CHAPTERED	Amber	Low
AB 375 (Skinner D) Workers' compensation: hospital employees: presumption. Creates a rebuttable presumption for specified hospital employees for MRSA and other blood-borne infectious diseases. Oppose	FAILED	Amber	High
AB 378 (Solorio D) Workers' compensation: pharmacy products. Regulates the dispensing of compounded medications in the workers' compensation system. Support	CHAPTERED	Amber	Low
AB 584 (Fong D) Workers' compensation: utilization review. Requires any psychologist who conducts utilization review in a workers' compensation claim to be licensed in the State of California. Oppose	VETOED	Amber	Low
AB 947 (Solorio D) Workers' compensation: temporary disability payments. Increases and broadens the list of injuries in which TD payments may be extended from up to 104 weeks to up to 240 weeks. Oppose	VETOED	Amber	High
AB 1136 (Swanson D) Employment safety: health facilities. Requires hospitals to provide training for health care workers on the appropriate use of lifting devices and equipment. Support	CHAPTERED	Amber	Medium
AB 1155 (Alejo D) Workers' compensation. Provides that race, religious creed, color, national origin, age, gender, marital status, sex, or genetic predisposition shall not be considered a cause or other factor of disability with regard to any workers' compensation apportionment determination. Oppose	VETOED	Amber	Medium
AB 1168 (Pan D) Workers' compensation: vocational expert fee schedule. Establishes a fee schedule for reasonable maximum fees paid for services provided by vocational experts. Support	CHAPTERED	Amber	Low
SB 457 (Calderon D) Workers' compensation: liens. Sets another standard for the payment of medical provider billings outside the Official Medical Fee Schedule adopted by the Administrative Director of the Division of Workers' Compensation. Oppose	CHAPTERED	Amber	Medium
SB 863 (Lieu D) Workers' compensation: liens. Reforms the current Liens process. Support	2 YEAR BILL	Amber	Low