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**To:** Board Members **Date:** August 3, 2018

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Legislation and Regulation Committee

Subject: Agenda Item 8D. – Update, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Board

**Committee Reports: Legislation and Regulation Committee** 

## D. Legislation and Regulation Committee (LRC)

Audio pending: June 29, 2018

## **Requested Actions:**

- 1. Consider approving LRC's recommendation to move forward with homebound legislation and requesting the President to appoint a 2-person work group to shop for an author in December 2018 and lobby for the legislation.
- 2. Consider taking continued and new positions on pending legislation (During Agenda Item 9)

## **Mobile Clinics**

The Board voted at its April 20, 2018, meeting to accept the proposed statutory amendments to BPC § 3070.1 to expand optometric care for homebound patients. The Board also discussed whether to proceed with one comprehensive bill, addressing both portions of the mobile clinic issue (homebound and mobile units) for the 2019 legislative session, and requested that the LRC further consider the issue.

During its June 29, 2018 meeting, to move the mobile unit discussion forward, the LRC discussed statutory constraints that currently prevent authorization of mobile units, and concluded that addressing mobile services would take longer consideration and time than would be required to move forward in the 2019 legislative session. Accordingly, the LRC voted to recommend to the full board to pursue legislation dealing solely with the previously approved language regarding homebound care, noting that there should be emphasis on avoiding expansion into "for profit" and "convenience" language for the time being. The LRC also recommends that the Board request that the President appoint a 2-person working group to be responsible for the homebound legislation.

## **Pending Legislation**

The LRC was updated on pending legislation Board staff is monitoring. The LRC voted to recommend to the full board to continue to support <u>SB 1386</u> (branch office license) and to continue to oppose <u>AB 2138</u> (denial of application: criminal convictions).

In addition, the Board may want to consider taking a position on <u>AB 2461</u> (subsequent arrest notification), as listed under Agenda Item 9C and discussed under Agenda Item 6B (FBI Rap Back Program Update).