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Support of AB 2387 – In-Home Supportive Services, Needs Assessment

Assemblymember Grayson & Senator Pan,

The California In-Home Supportive Services Consumer Alliance (CICA) supports your Assembly Bill 2387, In-Home Supportive Services, Needs Assessment now before the Senate Health Committee for approval.

AB 2387, as amended, Grayson. In-home supportive services: needs assessment.

Existing law establishes the In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program, administered by the State Department of Social Services and counties, under which qualified aged, blind, and disabled persons are provided with services in order to permit them to remain in their own homes. Existing law requires the county welfare department to assess each recipient's continuing monthly need for in-home supportive services at varying intervals as necessary, but at least once every 12 months, except as specified.

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This bill would authorize counties to perform the needs assessment by telephone if certain conditions are met, including that the recipient has had at least one in-person assessment since the initial program intake and the recipient has not changed their residence since the previous assessment. The bill would require the county to notify recipients within an unspecified number of 30 days of a proposed assessment by telephone and to provide the recipient with the option of having an in-person assessment instead.

AB 2387 would allow County Social Service Workers to do needs assessment over the phone after meeting certain conditions, thus saving money and time for Social Service Workers to perform their jobs (I have heard this is favorable from the County's perspective).

It is hoped it is passed through the State Senate as it was pass through the State Assembly and forwarded to the Governor Newsom's desk for his signature within the next couple of weeks!

Thank you,

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