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California Legislature

- The legislature has adjourned the 2021-2022 legislative session and are now in the districts preparing for the November 8 General Election.
- This election will be the largest turnover California has experienced to date with at least 34 new legislators being elected (28%).

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California State Budget

- The final budget agreement included \$300 million to support workforce investments in the area of health care to support recruitment and retention of workers in the health care sector.
- The PS Team is working with the Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI) on how best to allocate these dollars and will continue to work closely with them as they move forward over the next several months.

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2023 Fiscal Forecast

- Economic warning signs are mounting in California — foreshadowing potentially tough budget decisions for state officials.
- CA Budget Tax revenues are falling short of projections since June after exceeding expectations for two years straight.
- State agencies are now predicting the state’s shortfall could grow to over \$7 billion.

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SB 889 (Ochoa-Bogh)

- This bill would allow a Nurse Anesthetist to obtain a dental anesthesia permit to provide anesthesia unsupervised in a dental setting.
- Senator Ochoa-Bogh introduced this bill on behalf of CANA. Unfortunately, the Dental Board of California determined that the dentist would still need the dental permit, deeming SB 889 moot.

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SB 213 (Cortese)

- This is the bill that would have expanded the definition of an “injury” for hospital employee workers’ compensation, including CRNA’s.
- SB 213 was sponsored by the California Nurse Association and supported by CANA
- The bill failed passage in Assembly Insurance Committee.

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Building Relationships

Thank you to CANA membership for your support of the PAC. CANA supported over 35 legislators in 2022.



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