



State of California  
Edmund G. Brown Jr., Governor

**Board of Chiropractic Examiners  
MEETING MINUTES  
Government Affairs Committee  
April 30, 2015**

Teleconference Locations

Board of Chiropractic Examiners 901 P Street, Suite 142A Sacramento, CA 95814	McClain Sports & Wellness Inc. 6360 Wilshire Blvd. #410 Los Angeles, CA 90048
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**Committee Members Present**

Dionne McClain, D.C.  
Frank Ruffino

**Staff Present**

Robert Puleo, Executive Officer  
Dixie Van Allen, Policy Analyst

**Call to Order**

Mr. Ruffino called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m.

**Roll Call**

Dr. McClain called the roll. Mr. Ruffino and Dr. McClain were present and Dr. Elginer was absent.

**Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION: DR. MCCLAIN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 26, 2015 GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING.**

**SECOND: MR. RUFFINO SECONDED THE MOTION**

**VOTE: 2-0 (DR. MCCLAIN – AYE, MR. RUFFINO – AYE,)**

**MOTION CARRIED**

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### **Update on BCE Communications Assessment**

Ms. Van Allen, BCE Policy Analyst, informed the committee that contact was made with Cristina Valdivia-Aguilar, DCA Office of Public Affairs. The Office of Public Affairs did not have an update to provide on the BCE Communications Assessment due to other priorities of the department. Ms. Valdivia-Aguilar has been invited to attend the June 11, 2015 Govt. Affairs Meeting to discuss the assessment with the committee.

### **Legislative Update**

Ms. Van Allen provided the Committee with a summary of the following legislative bills:

- AB 41 – Chau (Health Care Coverage: discrimination)

Ms. Van Allen informed the committee that there were no amendments to this bill since it was discussed at the Board meeting. She also clarified that this bill was introduced on the date the Assemblyman was sworn into office. The committee agreed to continue the Board's position of "SUPPORT" for AB 41.

- AB 1060 – Bonilla (Professions and Vocations: licensure)

Ms. Van Allen informed the committee that the bill has not been amended since the last board meeting. The committee agreed to continue the Board's position of "WATCH" for AB 1060.

- AB 750 – Low (Business and Professions: licenses)

Ms. Van Allen advised that the bill was amended to clarify the retired status regarding continuing education and reinstatement, but the bill is permissive. The committee agreed to continue the Board's position of "WATCH" for AB 750.

- SB 277 - Pan (Public health: vaccinations)

Mr. Puleo, Executive Officer, advised that this bill was referred to three policy committees and has passed out of all committees with bipartisan support. This bill will be amended to limit the scope to the current list of vaccinations in order to attend school. The committee agreed to continue the Board's position of "WATCH", but would like to have a full board discussion and vote for a change to the Board's position, if necessary.

- AB 611 – Dahle (Controlled Substances: prescriptions: reporting)

Ms. Van Allen advised that this bill was amended to exempt boards that regulate health care practitioners from submitting an application to access the CURES database. Mr. Puleo advised that it is unlikely that the Board would need to access the CURES database for an investigation; therefore, this bill would have little to no impact upon the Board. This has been changed to a two-year bill.

**MOTION: MR. RUFFINO MOVED TO RECOMMEND A "WATCH" POSITION ON AB 611 TO THE FULL BOARD.**

**SECOND: DR. MCCLAIN SECONDED THE MOTION**  
**VOTE: (2:0) (DR. MCCLAIN – AYE, MR. RUFFINO – AYE)**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

- AB 85 - Wilk (Open Meetings)

Mr. Puleo advised that this bill is problematic for all DCA Boards and a similar bill was vetoed last year.

**MOTION: MR. RUFFINO MOVED TO RECOMMEND AN “OPPOSE” POSITION ON AB 85 TO THE FULL BOARD.**

**SECOND: DR. MCCLAIN SECONDED THE MOTION**  
**VOTE: (2:0) (DR. MCCLAIN – AYE, MR. RUFFINO – AYE)**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

- AB 333 – Melendez (Healing Arts: continuing education)

Ms. Van Allen advised that the bill authorizes regulatory health care boards to grant one unit of continuing education to licensees who complete and become a certified trainer of CPR or proper use of an AED and two units for providing a training course in CPR or proper use of an AED.

**MOTION: DR. MCCLAIN MOVED TO RECOMMEND A “NEUTRAL” POSITION ON AB 333 TO THE FULL BOARD.**

**SECOND: MR. RUFFINO SECONDED THE MOTION**  
**VOTE: (2:0) (DR. MCCLAIN – AYE, MR. RUFFINO – AYE)**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

- AB 410 – Obernolte (Documents Submitted to Legislative Committees)

Ms. Van Allen explained the website posting requirements mandated by this bill and advised that the workload impact upon the Board would be minimal.

**MOTION: DR. MCCLAIN MOVED TO RECOMMEND A “NEUTRAL” POSITION ON AB 410 TO THE FULL BOARD.**

**SECOND: MR. RUFFINO SECONDED THE MOTION**  
**VOTE: (2:0) (DR. MCCLAIN – AYE, MR. RUFFINO – AYE)**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

- AB 19 – Chang (Gov. Office of Business & Economic Development: small business: regulations)

Ms. Van Allen advised that this bill is problematic to the Board due to the fact that most of the Board’s licensees are considered small businesses and the potential rulemaking workload it may impose upon the Board.

**MOTION: MR. RUFFINO MOVED TO RECOMMEND AN “OPPOSE” POSITION ON AB 19 TO THE FULL BOARD.**

**SECOND: DR. MCCLAIN SECONDED THE MOTION**  
**VOTE: (2:0) (DR. MCCLAIN – AYE, MR. RUFFINO – AYE)**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

- AB 12 – Cooley (State Government: administrative regulations: review)

Mr. Puleo advised that this bill is similar to AB 19, but would additionally require the Board to review all of its regulations and report to the Legislature. The workload impact upon the Board is extremely problematic.

**MOTION: DR. MCCLAIN MOVED TO RECOMMEND AN “OPPOSE” POSITION ON AB 12 TO THE FULL BOARD.**  
**SECOND: MR. RUFFINO SECONDED THE MOTION**  
**VOTE: (2:0) (DR. MCCLAIN – AYE, MR. RUFFINO – AYE)**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

### **Review and Discussion of BCE Strategic Plan Goals Assigned to the Government Affairs & Strategic Plan Committee**

Mr. Puleo provided a brief overview of the Strategic Plan Goals that the Govt. Affairs Committee is responsible for completing and the status of each action item.

Ms. Van Allen inquired about whether the completion dates for Goal 7.2 should be changed to accommodate the Office of Public Affairs' workload with the Communications Assessment and publications. The committee members agreed that the completion dates should be extended and amended the dates as follows:

- Action Item 7.2.2 – Completion Date was changed to Q4, 2015
- Action Item 7.2.3 – Completion Date was changed to Q4, 2015
- Action Item 7.2.4 – Completion Date was changed to Q1, 2016
- Action Item 7.2.5 – Completion Date was changed to Q2, 2016

**Public Comment – None**

**Future Agenda Items –** Mr. Ruffino suggested that the Board review HB 2978 for an impact to the Board or chiropractic licensees.

Mr. Ruffino adjourned the meeting at 11:42 a.m.