



**California Women's Law Center**  
2020 Legislative Support Summary

Due to COVID-19, the legislature prioritized matters relating to California's response to the pandemic, including health, housing, and economic concerns. In addition, the legislature devoted significant attention to addressing California's homelessness crisis and the state's year-round wildfire demands. Consequently, many other bills were held in their respective committees. Their authors could choose to move them forward in 2021. We remain committed to advocating for the rights of women and girls in our state and look forward to continuing these efforts in future legislative cycles.

**Support**

1. **AB 2035 (Rubio)** will improve health outcomes for youth in foster care by helping ensure they have access to sexual health education. **HELD IN COMMITTEE.**
2. **AB 2236 (Gabriel)** will strengthen the training requirements for peace officers related to hate crimes. **HELD UNDER SUBMISSION.**
3. **AB 2729 (Bauer-Kahan)** will greatly improve health outcomes of pregnant people in California. **HELD IN COMMITTEE.**
4. **AB 2999 (Low)** will allow employees to take up to 10 days of bereavement leave upon the death of a close family member. **HELD IN COMMITTEE.**
5. **AB 3092 (Wicks)** will provide a path to justice for those who were sexually assaulted by Dr. James Heaps, a gynecologist who formerly worked at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). **SIGNED INTO LAW.**
6. **AB 3216 (Kalra)** will require employers to provide two weeks of emergency paid sick leave to every California worker. **VETOED.**
7. **AB 683 (Carillo)** will expand eligibility of Medicaid and Medi-Cal to low-income Californians. **HELD IN COMMITTEE.**
8. **AB 732 (Bonta)** will improve reproductive health care for people who are incarcerated. **SIGNED INTO LAW.**
9. **SB 1182 (Leyva)** will establish legal protections for technology users when they receive unsolicited sexually explicit images and videos, otherwise known as, "cyber flashing." **HELD IN COMMITTEE.**
10. **SB 1237 (Dodd, Burke)** will allow nurse midwives to practice without a physician, bringing quality, affordable reproductive care to families in rural California where people already face a shortage of providers and significant race-based disparities in maternal and infant outcomes. **SIGNED INTO LAW.**
11. **SB 1257 (Durazo)** will eliminate the exclusion of "household domestic service" from California's occupational health and safety protections. **VETOED.**
12. **SB 1274 (Hill)** will remove governmental immunity from military members who are accused of sexual assault, allowing survivors to bring civil suits against their alleged assailants. **HELD IN COMMITTEE.**
13. **SB 1308 (Leyva)** will provide an equitable educational opportunity for all students by prohibiting public funds and resources from being utilized by programs that discriminate based on gender. **HELD IN COMMITTEE.**
14. **SB 1383 (Jackson)** will provide working parents with essential job protection to care for their children during an emergency. **SIGNED INTO LAW.**
15. **SB 1399 (Durazo)** will prevent wage theft in the garment industry, thereby assisting a vulnerable workforce who are experiencing devastating impacts during the coronavirus pandemic. **HELD IN COMMITTEE.**

16. **SB 493 (Jackson)** will ensure that adequate processes are in place for colleges and universities to investigate and respond to sexual harassment and assault. **SIGNED INTO LAW.**
17. **SB 859 (Wiener)** will address the sexual transmitted disease (STD) epidemic in California by directing the creation of a statewide plan involving multiple state agencies. **HELD IN COMMITTEE.**
18. **SB 873 (Jackson)** will prohibit discriminatory gender-based pricing of consumer goods. **HELD IN COMMITTEE.**
19. **SB 885 (Pan)** will address California's sexually transmitted disease (STD) crisis by expanding access to STD care and coverage for low-income Californians. **HELD IN COMMITTEE.**
20. **SB 973 (Jackson)** will help close the gender and race-based wage gaps in California by requiring large employers to submit annual pay data sorted by gender, race, ethnicity, and job category to the Department of Fair Employment and Housing. **SIGNED INTO LAW.**

**Oppose**

1. **SB 50 (Weiner)** will exacerbate housing challenges experienced by low-income people and other vulnerable populations being hit hardest by California's affordability crisis. **PLACED ON SUSPENSE.**
2. **Option 1 in the Working Group on Comprehensive Access report at UCLA** fails to mandate that University of California Health not allow religious perspective to influence the care it provides.