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Final List of LGBT-Related Bills – 2014 Session

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Pro-LGBT Equality / Inclusive Bills:

AB 420 (Dickinson) - Remove disrupting school activities or otherwise willfully defying the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel as a reason to suspend or recommend for expulsion, any pupil in kindergarten through grade 12.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 660, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 496 (Gordon) – Amend the cultural competency continuing medical education course requirement, pertaining to understanding and applying cultural and ethnic data to the process of clinical care, to also include information pertinent to the appropriate treatment of, and provision of care to, the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex communities.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 630, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 1522 (Gonzalez) - Require employers to provide at least 3 paid sick days to any employee that works for seven or more days in a calendar year.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 317, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Wednesday, 07/01/2015.

AB 1565 (V.M. Perez) - Authorize the Director of the California Department of Aging to provide grants to nonprofit organizations that can provide training, outreach, and education to agencies, individuals, and other appropriate entities that provide services to veterans who are elder and lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender (LGBT).

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Vetoed by the Governor.

AB 1577 (Speaker Atkins) - Require a person completing a certificate to record the decedent's sex to reflect the decedent's gender identity as reported by an informant, unless the person completing the certificate is presented with other documentation, or proof of clinical treatment for gender transition, in which case the person completing the certificate shall record the decedent's sex as that which corresponds to the decedent's gender identity as indicated in that document.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 631, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Wednesday, 07/01/2015.

AB 1678 (Gordon) - Extend provisions of the Supplier Diversity Program at the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to include Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual or Transgender (LGBT) business enterprises.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 633, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 1945 (Wieckowski) - Clarify that registered domestic partners can claim property exemptions in a bankruptcy just as spouses in a marriage can, regardless of whether the partners file jointly or not.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 415, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 1951 (Gomez) - Require the State Registrar, beginning January 1, 2016, to modify birth certificates to recognize same-sex couples, allowing for a gender neutral option on the certificate identifying a "parent."

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 334, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Friday, 01/01/2016.

AB 2320 (Fong) - Prohibit a spouse or domestic partner of an elected officer or a candidate for elective office from receiving, in exchange for services rendered, compensation from campaign funds held by a controlled committee of the elected officer or candidate for elective office.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 902, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Tuesday, 09/30/2014.

AB 2344 (Ammiano) - Provide a standardized form for sperm donor consent to reduce subsequent legal confusion. Expedite the process of step-parent adoption to facilitate adoptions in the absence of challenges.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 636, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 2501 (Bonilla) - Prohibit the use of the “panic defense” to support a finding of sudden quarrel or heat of passion, which is necessary to reduce murder to manslaughter.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 684, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 2617 (Weber) - Impose specified restrictions on the future contractual waivers of rights under the Ralph Civil Rights Act and the Tom Bane Civil Rights Act.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 910, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 2646 (Ting) - Prohibit a statute, ordinance, or other state or local rule, regulation, or enactment from denying a minority group “political structure equal protection” of the law by altering, restructuring, or reordering the policy decision-making process in a manner that burdens the ability of members of the minority group to effect the enactment of future

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legislation, solely with respect to a matter that inures primarily to the benefit of, or is primarily of interest to, one or more minority groups.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 912, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

ACR 153 (Dickinson) - Proclaim June 11, 2014, and June 11 of each subsequent year, California lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender (LGBT) Veterans' Day, to be celebrated statewide.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Resolution Chapter 105, Statutes of 2014.

AJR 44 (Bloom) - urges the Department of Defense, Congress, and the President to create a more efficient process of upgrading the status of those who were “dishonorably” or other than honorably discharged from the Armed Forces of the United States, and to provide benefits, including applicable spousal benefits, to those veterans discharged solely on the basis of their sexual orientation.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Resolution Chapter 164, Statutes of 2014.

AJR 50 (Bloom) - Request that the President of the United States encourage, and that the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services adopt, policies that repeal the current donor suitability policies of the federal Food and Drug Administration regarding the donation of blood by men who have had sex with another man.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Resolution Chapter 170, Statutes of 2014.

HR 43 (Gordon) – Recognize June 2014 as LGBT Pride Month.

Status: Adopted in the Assembly via voice vote (06/23/2014).

SB 323 (Lara) – Revoke the state sales tax exemption status rewarded to nonprofit youth organizations should they violate California’s nondiscrimination laws.

Status: Place in the Assembly inactive file (06/30/2014).

SB 840 (Lara) - Require each local educational agency (LEA) to develop, in collaboration with stakeholders, and implement a policy against bullying containing specified components. This bill also requires LEAs to provide documentation of incidents to the California Department of Education (CDE), as specified.

Status: Held in Senate Appropriations Committee suspense file (05/23/2014).

SB 1306 (Leno) – Clarify that the statutory language in California's Family Code enacted by Proposition 22 of 2000 no longer has, after the California Supreme Court's *In re Marriage Cases (2008) 43 Cal.4th 757*, any legal effect, and therefore defines marriage gender-neutrally.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 82, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

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SB 1407 (Jackson) - Declare that a waiver or release of claims under the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (FEHA) is contrary to public policy and unenforceable, unless the waiver or release of claims is knowing and voluntary.

Status: Ordered to Assembly inactive file (08/22/2014).

SR 49 (Leno) – Recognize June 2014 as LGBT Pride Month.

Status: Adopted in the State Senate, 22 – 3 (06/23/2014).

Health and HIV/AIDS –Related Issues:

AB 1576 (Hall) – Enact specific requirements related to injury and illness prevention programs in the adult film industry (AFI).

Status: Held in submission in Senate Appropriations Committee (08/14/2014).

AB 1743 (Ting) - Delete the limit on the number of syringes a pharmacist has the discretion to sell to an adult without a prescription and extends, until January 1, 2021, the statewide authorization for pharmacists to sell syringes without a prescription, as specified.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 331, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 1894 (Ammiano) - Enact the Medical Cannabis Regulation and Control Act.

Status: Failed passage in the Assembly, Read third time. 26 - 33 (05/29/ 2014).

AB 1898 (Brown) - Add hepatitis B, hepatitis C, and meningococcal infection to the list of diseases that local public health agency communicable disease staff are permitted to disclose, along with personally identifying information in public health records, to state public health agency staff for the purposes of the investigation, control, or surveillance of HIV co-infection.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 566, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 2198 (Levine) - Require a psychologist, marriage and family therapist, educational psychologist, professional clinical counselor and clinical social worker, who began graduate study on or after January 1, 2016, to complete a minimum of 15 hours of coursework on suicide prevention, before being issued a license. Further require, commencing January 1, 2016, a person licensed in these professions who began graduate study prior to January 1, 2016, to take a six-hour continuing education course on suicide prevention in order to renew a license.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Vetoed by the Governor.

SB 1262 (Correa) - Establish a licensing and regulatory framework for the cultivation, processing, transportation, testing, recommendation and sale of medical marijuana to be administered by the Bureau of Medical Marijuana Regulation (bureau) in the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA).

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Status: Held under submission in Assembly Appropriations Committee (08/14/2014).

SCR 109 (Lara) - Recognize April 2014 as National STD Awareness Month, and recognizes April 10, 2014, as National Youth HIV & AIDS Awareness Day.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Resolution Chapter 119, Statutes of 2014 (08/20/2014).

Other Bills of Interest:

AB 336 (Ammiano) – Limit the practice of using condom possession as an evidentiary factor in prosecuting prostitution cases.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 403, Statutes of 2014 (09/18/2014). Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 523 (Ammiano) - Allow the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to reduce the interest rate on loans for affordable rental housing developments.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 445, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 1525 (Lowenthal) - Allow a city clerk to solemnize a marriage.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 450, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 1623 (Speaker Atkins) – Authorize a city, county, city and county, or nonprofit organization to each establish a family justice center (FJC), as specified.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 85, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 1628 (Fox) - Allow the court to grant reasonable visitation to a grandparent when: (1) there is a preexisting relationship between the grandchild and grandparent; (2) the interests of the child in having visitation with the grandparent are balanced against right of the parent to exercise parental authority; and (3) one of the parents is incarcerated or institutionalized.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 328, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 1806 (Bloom) - Extend policies and procedures for suspension, expulsion, graduation requirements and completed coursework to students who are homeless that are currently provided to students who are in foster care.

Status: Placed in Senate Appropriations Committee suspense file (06/23/2014).

AB 2035 (Chesbro) - Authorize the juvenile court to exercise jurisdiction over a child who is a victim of human trafficking, as specified, or who receives food or shelter in exchange for sexual acts, or is paid to perform sexual acts, and the parent or guardian failed to or was unable to protect the child.

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AB 2053 (Gonzalez) - Expand on existing law related to sexual harassment training for supervisory employees to also include training on the prevention of "abusive conduct."

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 306, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 2167 (Muratsuchi) - Codify the California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS), to collect data on pupil perceptions of school climate, school safety, and pupil health

Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations Committee suspense file (05/23/2014).

AB 2454 (Quirk-Silva) - Allow a nonminor former dependent who previously received extended Kinship Guardianship Assistance Payment (Kin-Gap) or Adoption Assistance Payment (AAP), but whose guardians no longer provide ongoing support to and no longer receive aid on behalf of the nonminor, to petition the court to resume dependency under the extended foster care program.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 769, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

AB 2643 (Wieckowski) - Enact, subject to certain exceptions, a new basis for civil liability for the non-consensual and intentional distribution of intimate images where the person in those images had a reasonable expectation of privacy, the defendant knew that the other person had a reasonable expectation that the material would remain private, and the person suffers either general damages or special damages, as specified.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 859, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Wednesday, 07/01/2015.

HR 48 (Holden) - Commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and encourages the citizens of the state to observe this important occasion in the history of the nation.

Status: Adopted in the Assembly through a voice vote (06/30/2014).

SB 1165 (Mitchell) - Require the Instructional Quality Commission (IQC) to consider including, in the next revision of the Health Frameworks, a distinct category on sexual abused and sex trafficking prevention, encourage school districts to take specified actions to prevent sexual abuse and sex trafficking, and encourage the California Department of Education (CDE) to develop model curricula on sexual abuse and sex trafficking prevention education.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 713, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

SB 1388 (Lieu) - Redefine the crime of prostitution, impose a mandatory minimum jail sentence for a first-offense, and impose mandatory minimum fines as specified.

Status: Passed the California Legislature. Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 714, Statutes of 2014. Effective Date – Thursday, 01/01/2015.

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SCR 130 (Mitchell) - Commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and encourages the citizens of California to observe the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as an important occasion in the history of the United States.

Status: Adopted by the State Senate, 36 – 0 (06/30/2014). To Assembly for its consideration.

SR 51 (Lara) - Recognize June 23, 2014, the date marking the 20th anniversary of the qualification of Proposition 187 for the November 1994 ballot, as a day to celebrate California's diversity and a united future.

Status: Adopted in the State Senate, 24 – 7 (06/23/2014).

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