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March 28, 1973

Honorable John Burton  
Room 3173  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Burton:

This is to advise you that this department cannot agree with the provisions contained in AB 253. The bill allows employable welfare recipients who are members of a labor union to refuse certain offers of employment and still be eligible for public assistance.

Current regulations require all employable AFDC recipients to register for job placement with the State Department of Human Resources Development. Recipients lose their eligibility for AFDC if they refuse a bona fide job offer without good cause. Among the reasons considered to be "good cause" is one requiring that jobs offered must pay at least the federal or state minimum wage, whichever is higher. AB 253 would change this consideration to accommodate minimum wages applicable to unionized trades. The change would, for example, allow unemployed union carpenters to refuse jobs involving carpentry if such jobs did not pay the prevailing rate for carpenters. In our opinion this would be discriminatory in that two classes of recipients would be created: (1) those required to accept jobs at the state or federal minimum wage, and, (2) those not required to do so. Finally the issue raised by this bill is not one which should be addressed by welfare policy. The solution should rely upon those forces directly involved in the interaction between labor organizations and the market place.

We would be glad to meet with you or your staff to discuss our opposition in greater detail.

Sincerely,

PHILIP J. MARRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

cc: Assembly Welfare Committee  
Health and Welfare Agency (2) ✓

3/28.  
delivered  
John Burton  
Don Lena & to agency  
E.C.



## PARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814

April 25, 1973

Honorable John F. Dunlap  
Room 5156, State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assemblyman Dunlap:

This letter is to advise you that we cannot support your proposal to expand the Support Enforcement Incentive Fund (SEIF) to cases where the support payments are paid directly to the child as in your Assembly Bill 600.

We understand that your intent is to have SEIF paid to counties when they enforce direct support payments from parents to children. SEIF is currently paid when the county collects support from parents and then either forwards this contribution to the child or pays the child a welfare grant. The state General Fund provides a SEIF payment for these county activities.

Your proposal would also provide SEIF payments when the parents make a support contribution to the child directly. Since the District Attorney and the county welfare department would not be involved in the transfer of the money, they would have no way of knowing that payment has not been made and therefore take no steps to enforce payment. We feel that to enforce support payments, the payment must go through the District Attorney's office. Your bill diverts payments away from the District Attorney's office and pays counties even though they take no collection actions.

The language of your bill would also affect collection of absent parent support payments to welfare mothers whose spouses are required to pay child support. To encourage direct payment of absent parent support to welfare mothers is undesirable for several reasons. Direct support payments to welfare mothers encourages fraudulent failure to report income as there is no way to verify that a payment was made. Direct payments are usually irregular and require adjustments to the welfare grants one to two months later. This can be a hardship on the recipient if the contribution is spent before the aid reduction is made leaving the family with inadequate resources in the month of reduction. Because the irregular payment of contributions requires welfare grant adjustments, direct payments greatly increase administrative expense for the county welfare department.

We think that the affect you are seeking, to enforce parental support of minor children, can be obtained using existing law. SEIF funds can be paid to counties for such enforcement activities under the law as it now reads. The problem is that not all counties are carrying out the enforcement. New legislation is not needed in this situation. Because the bill would frustrate our intent for the SEIF we cannot favor the measure.

We would be pleased to meet with you and discuss this matter in further detail if you have any questions you would like us to clarify.

Sincerely,

*Philip J. Manriquez*  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

cc: Assemblyman Bagley

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disagrees radically with  
the estimate on this.  
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Stan Lena + Agency  
C.B.

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814

April 26, 1973

Honorable Louis J. Papan  
Room 4177, State Capitol  
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Assemblyman Papan:

We have reviewed Assembly Bill 235 and regret to inform you that, at this time, we are unable to agree with its provision to make welfare recipients eligible to receive Senior Citizens Property Tax Assistance.

We note that the granting of this tax assistance is timed to coincide with the federal changes promulgated under HR 1. As you know the whole matter of state policies to be adopted under HR 1 is being reviewed during this legislative session. The state will have to decide the level to which it will supplement the federal basic benefit provided by HR 1. In making this determination an important factor will be the extent to which the state wishes to meet the property tax needs of recipients. As you may know, there is a distinct advantage in meeting these needs through the present welfare system because of the federal/state cost sharing arrangement. This advantage may no longer exist after the implementation of HR 1 and, in that case, your proposal would have merit. However, it is too soon to make such a determination because the federal regulations concerning HR 1 have not yet been finalized.

We would be glad to meet with you, or your staff, to discuss the matter in greater detail. If you wish we will also share with you our materials relating to HR 1 and your bill.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

cc: Honorable ~~Raymond Gonzales~~ *Gonzales*

*4/26  
delivered to Papan  
and to Gonsalves,  
Committee Office (Dave Doers)  
& Agency cc*  
*5/18  
delivered copy to Brown  
(Steve Thompson)  
cc*

4/28/73

Honorable Joe A. Gonsalves  
Room 4016, State Capitol  
Sacramento, 95814

Dear Assemblyman Gonsalves:

This is to notify you that the State Department of Social Welfare cannot agree with your proposal to eliminate the relatives' responsibility provision of the Old Age Security program as in Assembly Bill 57.

As the Governor stated in his veto message of a similar proposal of last session (SB 42), a fundamental goal of the welfare reform act of 1971 was to strengthen the family unit - which we believe the relatives' responsibility provision does. Since enactment of the new liability scale in 1971, adjustments have been made to the scale to ensure that in the case of hardship the liability will be modified.

Of course, the relatives' liability provision may be eliminated under the HR 1 assistance programs. This will be clarified only when the state supplemental grant program has been defined.

If you would like to discuss this matter in more detail, I would be pleased to meet with you.

Sincerely,

PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

5/17  
sent to  
Beck room

Delivered to Gonsalves' Ad  
4/28/73 11:15 AM -  
F. Manriquez  
also gave him copy  
of Auditor General  
Report on OAS.

AB 57

May 25, 1973

Honorable John L. Burton  
State Capitol, Room 3173  
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Assemblyman Burton:

This is to advise you that we cannot agree with the proposal to implement Public Law 92-603 as suggested in Assembly Bill 18 as amended.

A preliminary analysis causes us to voice general disagreement with the program policies and state-county funding arrangements proposed by the recent amendments to this bill. We are greatly concerned about the fiscal impact of the grant levels proposed. In our opinion, maintaining the grant levels you suggest would pose a burden upon the General Fund measuring in the hundreds of millions of dollars.

Our policy objections are numerous. Among those with which we disagree are the excluding of in-kind resources from being considered as income; the method of treating a spouse's income, and, the making of recipients eligible for property tax relief benefits. We would have liked the opportunity to discuss these differences in greater detail prior to the presenting of this administration's proposed state supplemental program. However, such a presentation is scheduled before the Assembly Welfare Committee on Tuesday, May 29, 1973. It is expected that the discussions surrounding these proposals will undoubtedly provide you the opportunity to examine in detail our posture if you so desire.

Sincerely,

DAVID B. SWOAP  
Director

By Original signed by  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

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cc - Assembly Welfare Committee  
4/24/73

*Orig delivered to  
John Burton 5:00 PM 5/28/73  
He filed it.  
Manriquez*

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AB 18

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

This is in response to your recent correspondence concerning the Legislature's action on AB 18, a bill to establish a state supplemental program for the aged, blind, and disabled under HR 1.

The Legislature is fully committed to having the state supplement the new federal Supplemental Security Income Program which will begin January 1, 1974. A number of us, however, were very concerned about establishing a viable state supplemental program at a price we can expect the taxpayers to pay. AB 18 went far beyond what is required to establish such a program, to the extent that the bill can only be described as fiscally irresponsible.

The unnecessary costs of AB 18 would have placed the state in a financial crisis. In the first fiscal year (1974-75), AB 18 would have cost California taxpayers an additional \$146 million over what is now being spent on current adult assistance programs. This cost would have increased to \$204 million in the second fiscal year because of the delayed impact of expensive cost-of-living increases in the bill.

The most costly feature of the bill was that of the benefit levels it would have established. These levels far exceed what is required to continue California at its high assistance standards for adult aids recipients; compared to the other 50 states, California's need levels are behind only the State of Alaska. The bill also contained



several special program components which went beyond the intent of HR 1. These components added to the increased costs of the bill and would have required extremely complex administrative arrangements between the federal, state, and county governments. These administrative requirements would have defeated the goal of having the supplemental program administered by a single responsible agency.

AB 18 failed to make use of all available resources in funding the new state supplemental program. For example, the bill would have established an expensive in-home services program financed entirely by the state, although it is possible to establish adequate in-home care provisions which would maximize federal funding. The bill would have continued the responsible relative provisions in the program for the aged, which is an important source of revenue for recipient grants. The relative liability, however, was set so low that administrative costs would completely discourage collection efforts.

Finally, the Legislature acted on AB 18 in the knowledge that the administration, by regulatory action, will be able to supplement the basic federal benefit to insure that our needy aged, blind, and disabled citizens do not receive decreased benefits. In fact, under the administration's planned benefit levels, approximately 86% of the current adult recipients will receive an increase in total income in January, 1974.

No recipient will receive less in January than he receives in December, unless his income or needs change.

Please be assured that the Legislature continues to keep the interests of the needy of California in mind, and that everything possible is being done to insure that change brought about by HR 1 will not impose hardship.

Sincerely,

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STATE CAPITOL  
SACRAMENTO, CALIF. 95814  
PHONE: (916) 445-5403

ROBERT J. LAGOMARSINO

TWENTY-FOURTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT  
VENTURA AND SANTA BARBARA COUNTIES  
VICE CHAIRMAN, NATURAL RESOURCES AND WILDLIFE COMMITTEE

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE

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MEMBER, SENATE RULES COMMITTEE

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JOINT RULES  
COMMISSION OF THE CALIFORNIAS  
JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE  
PUBLIC DOMAIN

September 18, 1973

NO. 29167 DATE 9-21-73  
FOR ACTION TO MACOMBER  
CC MANRIQUE

David Swoap, Director  
Department of Social Welfare  
744 P Street  
Sacramento, California

Dear Dave:

Enclosed are copies of correspondence I have received concerning AB 18.

I would very much appreciate your preparing a suggested response that could be used regarding AB 18.

Yours sincerely,

*Robert J. Lagomarsino*  
ROBERT J. LAGOMARSINO

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Enclosures



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PMS SENATOR LAGOMARSINO

STATE CAPITOL

SACRAMENTO CA

PLEASE SUPPORT NEW BILL OF RIDER ATTACHED TO UP COMING  
LEGISLATION. MYSELF AND MANY SENIOR CITIZENS ARE VERY UPSET AT YOUR  
STAND BY NOT SUPPORTING AB18 AND SA110. MANY PEOPLE CANT  
BELEIVE IT HAS HAPPENED.

MARY P SUGRUE, CHAIRPERSON LEAGUE OF SENIOR CITIZENS

May 2, 1973

Honorable Leo T. McCarthy  
Room 4164, State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Attn: Janet Levy

Dear Assemblyman McCarthy:

In response to your request, the following points are submitted for your consideration in regard to Assembly Bill 638.

It is the current policy of our department to suggest that consideration of bills with potential impact on adult aid policies be postponed until such policies can be reviewed in concert with the provisions of HR 1.

The cost to the General Fund for granting the proposed increase to medical and non-medical care cases approximates \$266,000 per month. Granting the increase to only non-medical out-of-home care cases would cost the General Fund approximately \$185,000 per month. It is conceded that the non-medical care cases could spend the additional benefit more readily than medical care cases. However, the present grant structure for these cases is such that an increase in grants does not automatically ensure an increased spending allowance for recipients. The maximum need for non-medical care cases (Group I: \$230; Group II: \$241) in some counties is insufficient to meet the "going rate" for such services. Thus, some counties have found it desirable to supplement these payments at their own expense. If the maximum need standard (and maximum allowable payment) is increased, in all probability such increase will merely reduce the amount that certain counties provide as a supplementary payment.

If we may be of further assistance please advise.

Sincerely,

Original signed by  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814



May 17, 1973

Assemblyman Robert Crown  
Room 2140, State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assemblyman Crown:

This is to advise you that, at this time, we cannot agree with your proposal (AB 639) to maintain current grant levels for adult aid recipients after HR 1 is implemented.

Because federal standards defining all HR 1 provisions are not yet available, prospective alternatives concerning methods of grant delivery and levels of assistance cannot be completely analyzed at this time. Thus, it is premature to establish the statutory requirement contained in your bill.

We would be available to meet with you if you would like to discuss our concerns in further detail.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

cc: Assemblyman William Bagley  
Health and Welfare Agency

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814

May 15, 1973

Honorable Alex Garcia  
Room 6001, State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assemblyman Garcia:

We are sorry to inform you that the Department of Social Welfare opposes the proposal contained in your Assembly Bill 789. The bill would extend to all adult aid categories the special need payment for property taxes presently granted to Old Age Security recipients.

A notion which has gained acceptance in recent years is that government should help to pay the property taxes of aged persons with low income so they will not lose a home acquired through a lifetime of labor. Thus, California has adopted the Senior Citizens Property Tax Assistance Law. Last year, in recognition of the fact that welfare recipients are ineligible to receive this tax relief, the Governor signed into law AB 1896, which authorized a special need payment for property taxes of recipients of Old Age Security. Your bill (AB 789) would extend this benefit to welfare recipients of every age and in our opinion, would go far beyond the concept of helping aged persons keeping an asset acquired through their own labors. Accepting the concept embodied in the bill would put the public assistance system in the position of unilaterally accommodating purchases of real estate by welfare recipients. This would constitute a serious inequity to those members of our society who may never qualify for welfare; will work their entire lives; yet will never be in a financial position allowing them to purchase a home.

If you would care to discuss this further, we would be glad to meet with you.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

cc: Assemblyman William Bagley  
Health and Welfare Agency

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814

May 24, 1973

Honorable Ken Meade  
Room 3146, State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assemblyman Meade:

This is to advise you that we cannot agree with your AB 1403 proposal to move back the base year for calculating cost-of-living adjustments for Aid to Families with Dependent Children from April 1972 to January 1970.

The grant structure for Aid to Families with Dependent Children was made current by provisions in the Welfare Reform Act which were developed by legislative staff. The legislature agreed that these grants should be kept current by application of an adjustment to reflect cost of living changes occurring after April 1972. It is our understanding that the decisions concerning the application of cost-of-living adjustments were based upon the notion that the grant structure changes did indeed make AFDC grants current.

This bill (AB 1403) is based upon the indication that the proposal prepared by legislative staff in 1971 did not make the AFDC grants current; but, merely updated the grants to December 1969. We disagree.

Secondly, we object to the provisions of this measure because of its fiscal impact. If AB 1403 is enacted, the grants for AFDC family group cases would be increased by \$22 per month; grants for AFDC unemployed cases would be increased by \$29 per month. The increases would be granted immediately beginning in January 1974. This would increase total expenditures for AFDC by \$60 million dollars for FY 1973-74 (January - June 1974). The state's share (which will also include the county share because of the SB 90 mandate) of this amount would be \$30 million dollars.

If you wish to discuss this in further detail we will be pleased to meet with you.

Sincerely,

*Philip J. Manriquez*  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

cc: Honorable William T. Bagley  
Health and Welfare Agency

5/25  
Delivered Meade's +  
Bagley's offices  
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## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814

August 15, 1973

- Honorable Bob Wilson  
Room 5140, State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assemblyman Wilson:

This is to advise you we cannot agree with your measure (AB 2034) to increase foster care payments.

Last year we supported and the governor signed AB 2089 (1972) which increased the maximum for state participation by 50%. In our opinion an additional increase is not justified at this time.

Although unable to agree with your proposal we would like to offer the following suggestions. First, the bill should propose to amend Welfare and Institutions Code Section 11450 "as amended by Chapter 75, Statutes of 1973." Secondly, the provision providing that at least \$30 of such increase be passed on to the person providing foster care mitigates against those counties which have increased foster care rates due to this year's Chapter 75. It would seem more desirable to take a base period, such as foster care rates paid during 1970/71 fiscal year, and make it mandatory that payments for foster care be \$30 more per month during the 73/74 fiscal year. These suggestions are made in the spirit of helping you improve AB 2034 and are not meant to imply that our position of "oppose" will be changed.

We would be glad to discuss this further with you or your staff at your convenience.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

cc: Honorable Willie Brown, Chairman, Ways and Means Committee  
Health and Welfare Agency

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814

June 22, 1973

Honorable Bob Wood  
Room 4121, State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Assemblyman Wood:

We cannot agree with your measure to discontinue considering the value of housing and utilities provided to AFDC children living with a non-needy relative as income to be considered in determining those recipients grants, as contained in your Assembly Bill 2327.

In our opinion your measure violates the traditional mores of our society which guides relatives to care for members of their families that have been unfortunate regardless of financial considerations. This fact is consistent with the administration's policy of strengthening family ties. It should be noted that current policy does not necessarily penalize these relatives but merely assures that they be reimbursed for actual costs (without profit or added expense).

We will be glad to discuss this matter further with you or your staff at your convenience. Please advise.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Directorcc: Honorable Willie Brown, Chairman, Ways and Means Committee  
Health and Welfare Agency

January 29, 1975

Honorable Ralph C. Dills  
Room 5050, State Capitol  
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Senator Dills:

This is to notify you that the State Department of Social Welfare cannot agree with your proposal to eliminate the relatives' responsibility provision of the Old Age Security program as in SB 7.

As the Governor stated in his veto message of your similar proposal of last session (SB 42), a fundamental goal of the welfare reform act of 1971 was to strengthen the family unit - which we believe the relatives' responsibility provision does. Since enactment of the new liability scale in 1971, adjustments have been made to the scale to ensure that in the case of hardship the liability will be modified.

Of course, the relatives' liability provision may be eliminated under the ER 1 assistance programs. This will be clarified only when the state supplemental grant program has been defined.

If you would like to discuss this matter in more detail, I would be pleased to meet with you.

Sincerely,

PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant to the Director

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814

April 10, 1973

Honorable Nicholas Petris  
Room 3082, State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Petris:

We have reviewed Senate Bill 15 and regret to inform you that, at this time, we are unable to agree with its provision to make welfare recipients eligible to receive Senior Citizens Property Tax Assistance.

We note that the granting of this tax assistance is timed to coincide with the federal changes promulgated under HR 1. As you know the whole matter of state policies to be adopted under HR 1 is being reviewed during this legislative session. The state will have to decide the level to which it will supplement the federal basic benefit provided by HR 1. In making this determination an important factor will be the extent to which the state wishes to meet the property tax needs of recipient. As you may know, there is a distinct advantage in meeting these needs through the present welfare system because of the federal/state cost sharing arrangement. This advantage may no longer exist after the implementation of HR 1 and, in that case, your proposal would have tremendous merit. However, it is too soon to make such a determination because the federal regulations concerning HR 1 have not yet been finalized.

We would be glad to meet with you, or your staff, to discuss the matter in greater detail. If you wish we will also share with you our materials relating to HR 1 and your bill.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

cc: Senator Randolph Collier

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& Albers' office & agency  
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March 16, 1973

Honorable John A. Nejedly  
Room 2057, State Capitol  
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Senator Nejedly:

This is to advise you that we cannot agree with the proposal concerning implementation of Public Law 92-603 as in your Senate Bill 53.

Your bill declares a purpose and intent to fully implement a state supplemental payment program on January 1, 1974 at the maximum payment level permitted by federal law. It is unclear exactly what level of supplemental aid is intended since the language of the bill seems to be based on the conclusion that a maximum combined state and federal amount of aid payment has been established by federal law. Public Law 92-603 sets forth no absolute maximum level. That function is presently designated to the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, and may even become the subject of further Congressional action. Since federal law has established no absolute maximum combined aid payment level, there is presently no upper limit on state supplementary payments to which the language might apply. As a result, the bill would require the state to spend an unknown amount.

With neither the present ability to define nor the future ability to limit "maximum combined aid payment," the language of this bill would have the state commit its funds to an unknown and unlimited level of expenditure.

Of final concern is the language that would require federal administration of the state supplementation program. While the benefits to be derived from making such a choice may seem advantageous at this time, it is our opinion that judgment on this issue be reserved until the merits of all alternatives have been fully explored.

If you would like to discuss this matter in further detail we would be pleased to meet with you at your convenience.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

*3/19  
did not deliver  
due to 3/12 amendments -  
will deliver letter  
including those amendments -  
Bennie G.*

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814



March 29, 1973

Honorable Donald L. Grunsky  
Room 3070, State Capitol  
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Senator Grunsky:

This is to advise you that we cannot agree with the requirement to have certain probation officer duties relating to dependent/neglected minors transferred to local county welfare departments as suggested in Senate Bill 108.

We feel that the mandatory aspect of the bill is undesirable in that it denies local governments flexibility to determine where these duties can best be performed. Currently, numerous counties have already transferred these functions to their welfare departments. Under existing law counties are free to reassign these duties as they find most appropriate to their own local needs.

Since the reassignment of duties which your measure is seeking can be accomplished under existing law, and, we do not favor limiting local autonomy, we are obligated to oppose the measure.

If you would like to discuss this matter in further detail we will be pleased to meet with you.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

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delivered to Long's office  
" " Agency  
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March 15, 1973

Honorable George Moscone  
Room 408, State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Moscone:

This is to advise you that we cannot agree with your proposal establishing the Aged, Blind, and Disabled Pension Act of 1973 as in your Senate Bill 110.

Your measure as currently printed requires federal administration of the state supplemental program under PL 92-603 (HR 1) and specifies grant levels to be provided and income disregards to be applied. Because federal standards clearly defining the implementation of HR 1 are not yet available it is not possible to analyze at this time all the alternatives which may be made available to the state. In our opinion, it would be advisable to wait until all options are clarified before deciding which alternatives the state should select.

If you would care to discuss this further we would be pleased to meet with you.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

*3/19-66:  
delivered to George Miller  
in Moscone's office  
delivered to Billinson's  
secretary  
delivered to Agency*

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814

March 26, 1973

Honorable David A. Roberti  
Room 4090, State Capitol  
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Senator Roberti:

This is to advise you that we do not agree with the proposal that every person has the right to inspect any file kept on them by a state agency as provided in your Senate Bill 178.

Because the bill would be impossible to implement without endangering the confidential nature of some information and because it would demand extensive review and monitoring of welfare records, we foresee severe problems with the proposal.

The measure would require review of each file to assure that no documents were included which could compromise the confidentiality of other recipients.

Screening would also be required to protect privileged information in a file such as from a physician, an attorney, marriage counselor, or concerning fraud.

The bill would require a county welfare worker to monitor the inspection of the file by the recipient or applicant to assure the department's only copy was not altered or removed.

If you would like to discuss this in further detail we would be pleased to meet with you at your convenience.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

3/98  
delivered + discussed  
in detail w/ Senator Roberti 3:00  
delivered to Secretary  
of Sen Dills  
C.C.



March 8, 1973

Honorable Donald Grunsky  
Member of the Senate  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Grunsky:

SB 197

This is to advise you that we cannot agree with your proposal to eliminate certain fees to family care homes caring for mentally disordered, incompetent, or dependent and neglected children as in your Senate Bill 197.

We question the provisions of your bill which exempt some care homes from the fees but do not exempt other homes, some of which provide similar services. Your bill does not consider, for instance, day care facilities, homes for delinquent children, aged persons, physically handicapped, alcoholic recovery homes, and drug homes. This seems to establish an inequitable policy.

We would be available to discuss this matter in further detail if you would wish to.

Sincerely,

PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

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*Delivered to Sen. Grunsky  
and Sen. H.W. Cannon 3/15/73  
10:00 am. Manriquez*

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

44 P STREET  
ACRAMENTO 95814

April 11, 1973

Honorable Alfred Alquist  
Room 5031, State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA.

Dear Senator Alquist:

This is to advise you that we cannot agree with your proposal to transfer administration of all welfare and services programs from the counties to the state, as in your Senate Bill 307.

We believe that such a transfer of administration to the state would be a mistake. The existing state/county delivery system for services and grants has the valuable advantage of maintaining administration at the closest level to the people being served. It is our view that the closer government is to the people, the more effective it can be.

Secondly, we view seriously the tremendous magnitude of the proposal. It is our judgment that this transfer of responsibility should only be considered as part of a complete tax restructuring. The proposal contained in your bill would affect the total state tax plan and for this reason we think your proposal should not be taken up in isolation but rather should be considered only as part of the state tax "matrix."

We will be available to meet with you if you would like to discuss this matter in further detail.

Sincerely,

*Philip J. Manriquez*  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

cc: Senator Anthony Beilenson

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DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814



April 10, 1973

Hon. Alfred E. Alquist  
Room 5031, State Capitol  
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Senator Alquist:

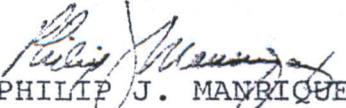
This is to advise you that we cannot agree with your proposal to transfer administration of all welfare and services programs from the counties to the state, as in your Senate Bill 309.

We believe that such a transfer of administration to the state would be a mistake. The existing state/county delivery system for services and grants has the valuable advantage of maintaining administration at the closest level to the people being served. It is our view that the closer government is to the people, the more effective it can be.

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We will be available to meet with you if you would like to discuss this matter in further detail.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

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cc: Senate Randolph Collier, Chairman

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814

June 4, 1973

Honorable George N. Zenovich  
Room 2054, State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Zenovich:

This is to advise you that we cannot agree with your proposal in SB 568 that earnings of Aid to the Totally Disabled recipients working in certain rehabilitation facilities be considered as exempt income.

The intent of welfare payments is to contribute toward the support of a person unable to completely support himself. Income which the welfare recipient can earn is to be supplemented by public assistance to give the person enough money to meet his basic needs.

As a recipient is able to earn some income toward supporting himself the welfare grant becomes smaller since a portion of his need is being met by his own earnings.

Your measure provides that a full welfare grant be paid to recipients regardless of certain income they can earn on their own. This would result in welfare being paid above the amount necessary to meet their needs.

It is our goal to direct the state's limited welfare funds to the truly needy - those who have no source of income aside from their welfare grant. For this reason we cannot support your proposal.

We would be pleased to meet with you at your convenience if you wish to discuss this matter in further detail.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

cc: Senator Anthony Beilenson, Chairman, Health and Welfare Committee  
Health and Welfare Agency

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814

May 22, 1973

Honorable Nicholas Petris  
Room 3082, State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Petris:

We regret to inform you that we cannot agree with your proposal to allow public assistance recipients to receive the homeowners' property tax exemption (SB 688).

As you know the consistent argument against this proposal involves the question of using general fund monies as opposed to county and federal sharing funds. If upon implementation of HR 1 the traditional fiscal argument against extending the homeowners' property tax exemption to welfare recipients is eliminated we will re-evaluate our position.

If you wish to discuss this matter further, we would be pleased to meet with you or your staff at your convenience.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

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cc: Senator Walter Stiern, Chairman, Senate Revenue and Taxation Committee  
Health and Welfare Agency

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814



June 5, 1973

Honorable Peter H. Behr  
Room 5053, State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Behr:

We cannot agree with your measure to increase welfare grants paid on behalf of AFDC children living with non-needy relatives to equal that paid for children in foster care, contained in your Senate Bill 1061.

In our opinion your measure violates the traditional mores of our society which guides relatives to care for members of their families that have been unfortunate regardless of financial considerations. This fact is consistent with the administration's policy of strengthening family ties. It should be noted that current policy does not necessarily penalize these relatives but merely assures that they be reimbursed for actual costs (without profit or added expense).

We will be glad to discuss this matter further with you or your staff at your convenience. Please advise.

Sincerely,

  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

cc: Senator Anthony Beilenson, Chairman, Senate Health and Welfare Committee  
Health and Welfare Agency

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814

June 11, 1973

Honorable George N. Zenovich  
Room 2054  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Senator Zenovich:

This is to advise you that we cannot agree with your proposal to implement Public Law 92-603 as suggested in your Senate Bill 1222.

A preliminary analysis establishes that your measure in its present form is essentially a spot bill and will need substantial amending to be workable. However, we must state our opposition to your proposed grant levels as they are in excess of the administration's proposed levels, and would require additional state funds.

We would appreciate discussing this with you in further detail at your convenience. Please advise.

Sincerely,

Original signed by  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director  
PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

Delivered 6-11  
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cc: Senator Anthony Beilenson

## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

744 P STREET  
SACRAMENTO 95814

June 11, 1973

Honorable Ralph C. Dills  
Room 5050, State Capitol  
Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Senator Dills:

This is to advise you that we cannot agree with your proposal to establish outdoor educational-recreational programs in the children's services programs.

A preliminary analysis of your measure, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 56, determines that the Director of Social Welfare would have the implied requirement to establish and administer the aforementioned programs. We would at this time request your consideration of the fact that after July 1, 1973, the Children's Services will be under the Department of Health and at that time will establish the priorities of programs they will initiate.

If we may be of further assistance to you, please advise.

Sincerely,

PHILIP J. MANRIQUEZ  
Assistant Director

cc: Honorable Anthony Beilenson

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