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RE: State Budget Update #5 – Budget Committee Actions

The Senate and Assembly Budget Committees completed taking actions on the Governor's May Revision proposals and other open issues late last week. As described in Budget Update #4, the Assembly budget package addresses the entire \$17.9 billion General Fund shortfall plus provides a \$1 billion reserve. The Senate budget package falls a little short of covering the full deficit, containing only \$14.3 billion in total solutions. The Senate indicates that staff are engaged in "numerous working groups to find additional reductions and to explore the reform and restructuring of government that will not only save the state money, but will also realign the responsibility of government programs" to cover the remaining \$4.8 billion gap. We have no information on any specific Senate proposals, but will keep you posted on their work as it progresses.

We have heard that the Budget Conference Committee, where the differences in the Senate and Assembly versions of the budget will be reconciled, will begin sometime this week. The Senate has announced its members for the Budget Conference Committee, who include: Denise Moreno Ducheny (D-San Diego) (Chair), Mark Leno (D-San Francisco), Alan Lowenthal (D-Long Beach), Bob Dutton (R-Rancho Cucamonga), and Bob Huff (R- Diamond Bar). The Assembly has not yet announced its Budget Conference Committee members.

Regarding the outcomes of specific health and human services budget issues in the Senate and Assembly Budget Committees, attached is a matrix containing the major proposals, showing the actions taken by each house and whether the issue will be in the Budget Conference Committee. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact CWDA staff.