

CARA's 2019 Priority Bills (Revised May 2, 2019)

AB 36	Bloom	2-year Bill, resuming in January, 2020.	Reform Costa-Hawkins	Modifies Costa-Hawkins law, allowing jurisdictions to apply rent control to (1) more recently-built apartments, and (2) single-family rentals and condominiums where the landlord has more than 10 units.
SB 329	Mitchell	In Senate Appropriations, no hearing date scheduled yet.	Housing non-discrimination based on income source	Prevents landlords from refusing to rent to tenants who would pay with Section 8 or other housing vouchers, if they would otherwise qualify.
AB 1481	Bonta	Ready for vote by entire Assembly	Statewide Just Cause Eviction	Enumerates a state-wide list of reasons property owners must provide to evict tenants, either For-Cause (non-payment of rent, illegal activity, etc) or No-Fault Cause (owner-move-in etc). Discriminatory, arbitrary, or retaliatory evictions outlawed. Tenant evicted with No-Fault Cause must be compensated for relocation costs.
SB 338	Hueso	Ready for vote by entire Senate	Elder Abuse Prevention	A CARA-sponsored bill. Strengthens law enforcement response to abuse of elders or adults with disabilities, with training and detailed policy manuals, based on a model San Diego County Elder and Dependent Adult Abuse Blueprint.
SB 512	Pan/Kalra	Senate Appropriations Committee, no hearing date scheduled yet.	Long-Term Support Services	Lays the groundwork to establish subsidies to help middle-income seniors and people with disabilities, who do not qualify for Medi-CAL or IHSS, buy long-term support services, including home care. It establishes a Trust Fund, a Benefits Board, and an Advisory Committee for this program. A companion effort makes \$1 million Budget Request for a study of the benefits and cost of such a program.
AB 1434	Kalra	Stuck in Assembly Appropriations Committee Suspense File	Increasing SSI/SSP grants and COLA	Reinstates the SSI/SSP COLA in 2020, bring monthly payments to 100% 2019 poverty level. An incremental step toward full restoration of recession-era cuts to the SSI/SSP program, which awards monthly grants to seniors and other disabled adults who get no or minimal Social Security benefits.