



3 of CARA's 4 Priority Bills were signed by the Governor – an incredible achievement for all of you who called, emailed and visited your legislators as well as calling the Governor, and for all of you who attended hearings, press events and rallies. This was a great effort and we have so much to be proud of.

SB 1015 continues the success from AB 241(2013) which granted overtime protections to California's privately hired domestic workers. It removes the 2017 sunset provision and makes the law's provisions permanent.

SB 1076 regulates Hospitals' use of Observation Areas; requiring inpatient staffing levels, patient information and notices in designated Observation Areas, and reporting of Observation Area usage to a the State.

Co-sponsored by CARA, **SB 1150** clarifies the responsibilities of a lender when a borrower dies and leaves surviving homeowner spouses, children or other heirs who wish to assume the loan, giving them a fair chance to take responsibility for the mortgage loan attached to their home.

The big disappointment of this legislative session was the Governor's veto of **AB 1584** (Brown/Thurmond) that would increase SSI/SSP and reinstate the COLAs. We were only able to get the Governor to agree to the \$4.34 COLA increase in his original budget, and even though both parties made the passage of AB 1584 a priority and passed our bill, we could not get the Governor to agree to use any of the budget surplus to help the poorest Californians reach poverty level. But we will not give up on this issue, and look forward to working on this in the next legislative/budget session.

Thank you to everyone who helped pass these important bills.