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## SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Anthony Portantino, Chair  
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### SB 914 (Rubio) - HELP Act

**Version:** March 22, 2022

**Policy Vote:** HUMAN S. 4 - 0, HOUSING  
9 - 0

**Urgency:** No

**Mandate:** Yes

**Hearing Date:** May 19, 2022

**Consultant:** Mark McKenzie

**Bill Summary:** SB 914, the Homeless Equity for Left Behind Populations (HELP) Act, would require cities, counties, and continuums of care (CoCs) that receive state homelessness funding to coordinate with victim service providers and take specified actions to address the needs of families, people attempting to flee domestic violence, and unaccompanied women. The bill would also require the Interagency Council on Homelessness (Cal-ICH), by January 1, 2025, to establish goals, gather data, and measure progress to prevent and end homelessness among domestic violence survivors, their children, and unaccompanied women, as specified.

### \*\*\*\*\* ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE \*\*\*\*\*

The following information is revised to reflect amendments  
adopted by the committee on May 19, 2022

#### **Fiscal Impact:**

- Cal-ICH estimates costs of approximately \$328,000 in the first year and \$312,000 annually thereafter for 2.0 PY of staff to set and measure specified progress goals, provide technical assistance, and coordinate funding, policy, and practice efforts specifically targeting survivors of domestic violence, their families, and unaccompanied women. (General Fund)
- Unknown significant reimbursable mandate costs for cities and counties to coordinate with victim service providers, conduct additional analysis, collect and incorporate data, and take other specified actions to ensure specific supports are developed to address the needs of families, people attempting to flee domestic violence, and unaccompanied women. Costs would be subject to a determination by the Commission on State Mandates, should a local agency file a successful claim for state reimbursement.
- Unknown additional General Fund cost pressures to provide additional resources to cities, counties, and CoCs to support the development and maintenance of specified data systems, and to provide additional resources to Cal-ICH to provide funding for technical assistance to support the development of local programs and plans.

**Author Amendments:** Add coauthors.

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