
SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Sabrina Cervantes, Chair
2025 - 2026 Regular Session

SB 1016 (Blakespear) - Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Court Program and court-ordered evaluations

Version: April 28, 2026

Urgency: No

Hearing Date: May 14, 2026

Policy Vote: JUD. 12 - 0

Mandate: Yes

Consultant: Bob Franzoia

Bill Summary: SB 1016 creates a pathway for a Community Assistance, Recovery and Empowerment (CARE) respondent to be ordered to undergo an evaluation under the Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Act when certain conditions are met.

***** **ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE** *****

The following information is revised to reflect amendments
adopted by the committee on May 14, 2026

Fiscal Impact: Unknown, potential cost pressures to the courts related to additional duties required in this bill. While the courts are not funded on a workload basis, an increase in workload could result in delayed court services. The Governor's FY 2026-27 budget proposes \$70 million General Fund to backfill the Trial Court Trust Fund.

Author Amendments: Amend to strike Section 1 (Welfare and Institutions Code 5201).

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