

## CCDA Legislative Status Report on Thursday, October 20, 2022

Assembly Bill 2164 (Lee, Alex D) Disability Access: Certified Access Specialist

**Program: Funding.** 

Current Text: Chaptered: 09/30/2022 html pdf

Status: 09/30/2022 - Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State -

Chapter 895, Statutes of 2022.

Is Urgency: No Is Fiscal: Yes

Location: 09/30/2022 - Assembly. Chaptered.

## Summary:

The federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the California Building Standards Code require that specified buildings, structures, and facilities be accessible to, and usable by, persons with disabilities. Existing law establishes a Disability Access and Education Revolving Fund, a continuously appropriated fund, within the Division of the State Architect for purposes of increasing disability access and compliance with construction-related accessibility requirements and developing educational resources for businesses to facilitate compliance with federal and state disability laws, as specified. Existing law requires the State Architect to establish and publicize a program for voluntary certification by the state of any person who meets specified criteria as a certified access specialist (CASp), as provided.

Existing law, on and after January 1, 2018, and until December 31, 2023, inclusive, requires any applicant for an original or renewal of a local business license or equivalent instrument or permit to pay an additional fee of \$4 for that license, instrument, or permit, or in any city, county, or city and county that does not issue a business license or an equivalent instrument or permit, existing law requires an applicant for a building permit to pay an additional fee of \$4, to be collected by the city, county, or city and county that issued the license, instrument, or permit for specified purposes related to disability access, including the CASp program.



Commencing January 1, 2024, that fee is reduced to \$1. Existing law requires a portion of those fees to be deposited in the Disability Access and Education Revolving Fund. This bill would repeal the provision reducing the fee to \$1 commencing January 1, 2024, thereby extending the operation of this fee at the amount of \$4 indefinitely. By expanding the increased fee deposited into the Disability Access and Education Revolving Fund, this bill would make an appropriation. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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## <u>Assembly Bill 2917 (Fong, Mike D)</u> Disability Access: Internet Websites, Parking

Lots, and Exterior Paths of Travel.

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Chapter 897, Statutes of 2022.

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## **Summary:**

Existing law requires an attorney who sends or serves a complaint on the basis of one or more construction-related accessibility claims to satisfy specified requirements, including, among other things, sending a copy of the complaint and submitting information about the complaint to the California Commission on Disability Access. This bill would also require an attorney who sends or serves a complaint alleging that an internet website is not accessible to satisfy those requirements. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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**Total Measures: 2**