

## Item 5: CCDA One Page Informational to the Legislature

### THE CALIFORNIA COMMISSION ON DISABILITY ACCESS INFORMATIONAL SHEET

Established in 2009, the California Commission on Disability Access (CCDA), provides information on disability access challenges and potential solutions in California. Our goal is to provide resources for our stakeholders. We support the legislative process through reporting research findings, collaborating with the building industry and cultivating partnerships with state and local governments, business, legal, and disability communities.

Government Code chapter 3.7 outlines the roles and responsibilities of the CCDA. Sections 8299 – 8299.11 highlights Commission structure and operations. Additionally, Government Code 8299.05 authorizes the CCDA to study and report issues to the Legislature on accessibility barriers. Pursuant to Government Code 8299.06, the CCDA is mandated to develop and distribute educational materials to promote and facilitate disability access compliance.

#### **Legislative Assistance**

- As a legislative established commission, we are available to provide disability access recommendations throughout the bill development process.

#### **Educational Material**

- We create tools to assist our stakeholders with disability access compliance. Currently, we have four published toolkits:

##### **Accessibility Construction Inspection Checklist**

- Provides building officials with a list of the most common accessibility features to be inspected during the commercial construction process.

##### **Open-Air Dining & Curbside Pickup Disability Access Considerations**

- Guidelines to maintain access compliance when operating outdoors or in parklets. This tool provides recommendations on how to serve people with disabilities.

##### **Accessibility Compliance for Businesses: Myths and Misconceptions**

- Explanations of addressing access compliance misconceptions among places of public accommodation in California.

##### **California Consumer Toolkit for The Restaurant Industry**

- Reference and informational guide for California restaurants to ensure accessibility guidelines are being met.

#### **Subject Matter Experts Presentation**

- CCDA's Commissioners are a diverse group of professionals that can share their expertise and depth of knowledge with legislative districts. Our staff provides educational support, research, and recommendations on alleged Americans with Disabilities Access (ADA) violations. Additionally, we develop disability access toolkits and presentations for webinars. The Commission is available to host access compliance lectures, community gatherings, conferences, and events.

***“Our goal is to promote an accessible, barrier-free California.”***