

Bill #	Author	Staff	Position	Summary
AB 1445	Chesbro	Molly Laurie	01- Sponsor	<p>Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Care Services pursuant to which medical benefits are provided to public assistance recipients and certain other low-income persons. Existing law provides that federally qualified health center (FQHC) services and rural health clinic (RHC) services, as defined, are covered benefits under the Medi-Cal program, to be reimbursed, to the extent that federal financial participation is obtained, to providers on a per-visit basis. "Visit" is defined as a face-to-face encounter between a patient of a federally qualified health center or a rural health clinic and specified health care professionals. Existing law allows an FQHC or RHC to apply for an adjustment to its per-visit rate based on a change in the scope of services it provides. This bill would provide that a maximum of 2 visits, as defined, taking place on the same day at a single location shall be reimbursed when either after the first visit the patient suffers illness or injury requiring additional diagnosis or treatment or the patient has a medical visit, as defined, and another health visit, as defined, or both. The bill would provide that these provisions shall constitute a change in the scope of services and would require an FQHC or RHC to file a scope of service change to the extent required by applicable law.</p>
SB 442	Ducheny	Molly Laurie	01- Sponsor	<p>Under existing law, the State Department of Public Health is responsible for the licensing and regulation of clinics, as defined. A violation of these provisions is a crime. This bill would define "clinic corporation" as a nonprofit organization that owns one or more primary care clinics, or mobile health care units as defined, and would provide for a single, consolidated license for corporation clinics, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.</p>