

CalCAP, ANEF & CCAGE

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Dear Friends of CalCAP, ANEF and CCAGE,

As you read this newsletter, the state Legislators have returned to Sacramento from their Summer breaks. This is the final month for the many bills that have been introduced and considered this year to either be sent to the Governor or to be stopped from becoming law at in 2018. If the bill is sent to the Governor, then he will either sign the bill into law or veto the bill.

This means that there are only two

months to express support or opposition to any legislation considered in 2018. And, that is our intent.

In August, we will be addressing legislation in the final committees (like the Committee on Appropriations) and to members of the State Assembly and Senate as votes of those total bodies are scheduled.

Finally, any bills that reach the Governor's office, will garner our attention and opposition or support will be conveyed if it is necessary.

Back in Sacramento

Fortunately, the voices of concerned citizens are not limited to those in the Sacramento area. You can contact your state representatives and let them know that you are concerned about the effects that Alcohol, Other Drugs and Gambling have on our state.

In the next two months, bills will either become law or die. The Legislature will benefit from hearing all our voices.

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FINDING YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

If you have a computer, it is easy to find the name and contact information for your State Senator and Assembly Member.

First, go to the California State Assembly home page at www.assembly.ca.gov. Next, go to the bottom of the page and in the left column, "Find My Representative", select "By Your Address". This will open a page that allow you to enter your street address, City and Zip code. After doing so, click submit,

and you will have the name, local and Sacramento addresses and phone numbers for both your State Senator and Assembly Member. You will also be able to click on the name and connect to the email address for each.

Want to let your Representatives know your thoughts? Here is one way to do it.

Bills Worth a Call

SB 905 — Permits bars to stay open	NO
SB 1503 — Will grant ABC more ability to control restaurants becoming bars	YES
AB 2914 — Will continue to prohibit mixture of Alcohol and Marijuana	YES



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OUR TASK AND MISSION

The CalCAP family, which includes the California Council on Alcohol Problems (CalCAP), the Alcohol-Narcotic Education Foundation of California (ANEF) and the California Coalition Against Gambling Expansion (CCAGE), is a statewide, faith based organization that seeks to prevent the moral, economic, scientific and social problems caused by alcohol and gambling. This is done through research, education, advocacy and lobbying. Thus, we raise the awareness of these problems among the people, and address the legislature regarding alcohol and gambling issues.

We are funded entirely by gifts from denominations, churches, church groups and individuals. We do not receive any financial support from any governmental agency or political party.

If you would like to be part of our information network, arrange for a program or preaching date, or support our work through-out California, please contact our Executive Director, the Rev. James Butler, or our Sacramento office, at 916 / 441-1844 or calcap@calcap.org. Our Mailing address is 803 Valle-

Alcohol and Other Drugs

During the past few months there have been articles in newspapers from around the country including California, describing the growing problems and disastrous consequences caused by Alcohol and Other Drugs. These include car crashes that involve the mixing of Alcohol and Marijuana, the increase of teens and children admitted to emergency rooms because of ingesting Marijuana laced foods and drinks, the resurgence of nicotine addiction among youth as they use “electric cigarettes” (vaping), and the looming epidemic of opiate addiction.

Each of these issues need the attention of our State Legislators and will be among our goals for the 2019 – 2020 Legislative Session. Unfortunately, there are groups that profit from the sales of Alcohol, Marijuana, Vaporized Nicotine, and even the legalized opiates that often serve as the introduction to addiction, and we expect that there will be opposition to our efforts.

The individuals you elect represent you and your concerns. Let them know now and in November when you vote.

Alcohol — SB 905

Although it is a terrible idea to extend bar hours until 4:00 AM, a bill permitting that is still alive in Sacramento. Surprisingly, it is possible that this bill will pass its final committee and then be voted upon by the total Assembly and the Senate. Will you contact your representatives and tell them you oppose SB 905? Your call or email may help make the difference.