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## **Board on Aging and Long-Term Care Helpline Funding Transfer** (Insurance -- Agency Operations and Current Programs)

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## **CURRENT LAW**

The Board on Aging and Long-Term Care operates a helpline that provides free one-on-one insurance counseling services to state residents over the age of 60. The helpline is supported from two sources -- federal funds the state receives under the state health insurance assistance program (SHIP) and state insurance fee revenue budgeted as part of OCI's general program operations appropriation that OCI transfers to BOALTC.

## **MODIFICATION**

Provide \$46,900 PR in 2023-24 and \$45,300 PR in 2024-25 to reflect a reestimate of the amount of funding needed to support OCI's share of the Board on Aging and Long-Term Care helpline.

**Explanation:** The funding provided for the helpline transfer under AB 43/SB 70 reflected the estimated cost of ongoing operations of the helpline, but also a portion of the cost of a new communication specialist and executive staff assistant position that the bill, as introduced, would provide in BOALTC. In earlier action on the BOALTC budget, the Committee did not approve the additional position. Consequently, this modification would provide the funding for the OCI transfer reflecting only the ongoing operations of the helpline, which is less than the amount that would be provided under AB 43/SB 70 by \$24,900 PR in 2023-24 and \$31,600 PR in 2024-25.

Modification	Change to Base
PR	\$92,200

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