

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 37

Introduced by Assembly Member Elhawary

December 2, 2024

An act relating to workforce development.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

AB 37, as introduced, Elhawary. Workforce development: mental health service providers: homelessness.

Existing law establishes the California Workforce Development Board as the body responsible for assisting the Governor in the development, oversight, and continuous improvement of California’s workforce investment system and the alignment of the education and workforce investment systems to the needs of the 21st century economy and workforce.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to expanding the workforce of those who provide mental health services to “homeless persons” or “homeless people,” as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
2 legislation relating to expanding the workforce of those who
3 provide mental health services to “homeless persons” or “homeless
4 people,” meaning those individuals or families who lack or are
5 perceived to lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence,
6 or who have a primary nighttime residence in a shelter, on the

- 1 street, in a vehicle, in an enclosure or structure that is not
- 2 authorized or fit for human habitation.

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