
Introduced by Senator Seyarto

February 20, 2025

An act to amend Section 54 of the Civil Code, relating to civil rights.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 523, as introduced, Seyarto. Individuals with disabilities or medical conditions.

Existing law provides that individuals with disabilities, as defined, or medical conditions, as defined, have the same right as the general public to the full and free use of the streets, highways, sidewalks, walkways, public buildings, medical facilities, including hospitals, clinics, and physicians' offices, public facilities, and other public places.

This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.

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. Section 54 of the Civil Code is amended to read:
2 54. (a) Individuals with disabilities or medical conditions have
3 the same right as the general public to the full and free use of the
4 streets, highways, sidewalks, walkways, public buildings, medical
5 facilities, including hospitals, clinics, and physicians' offices,
6 public facilities, and other public places.
7 (b) For purposes of this section:
8 (1) "Disability" means ~~any~~ a mental or physical ~~disability~~
9 ~~disability~~, as defined in Section 12926 of the Government Code.
10 (2) "Medical condition" has the same meaning as defined in
11 ~~subdivision (h) of~~ Section 12926 of the Government Code.

- 1 (c) A violation of the right of an individual under the Americans
- 2 with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Public Law 101-336) also constitutes
- 3 a violation of this section.

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