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## WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE - WIC

DIVISION 4.5. SERVICES FOR THE DEVELOPMENTALLY DISABLED [4500 - 4885] (Division 4.5 added by Stats. 1977, Ch. 1252.)

CHAPTER 2. State Council On Developmental Disabilities [4520 - 4555] (Chapter 2 added by Stats. 1977, Ch. 1252.)

**ARTICLE 4. Organization [4535- 4535.]** (Article 4 added by Stats. 1977, Ch. 1252.)

- 4535. (a) The state council shall meet at least six times per year, and, upon call of its chairperson, as often as necessary to fulfill its duties. All meetings and records of the state council shall be open to the public.
- (b) The state council shall, by majority vote of the voting members, elect its own chairperson and vice chairperson who shall have full voting rights on all state council actions, from among the appointed members, described in paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 4521. The council shall establish any committees it deems necessary or desirable. The chairperson shall appoint all members of committees of the state council. The chairs and vice chairs of the state council and its standing committees shall be individuals with a developmental disability, or the parent, sibling, guardian, or conservator of an individual with a developmental disability.
- (c) The state council may appoint technical advisory consultants and may establish committees composed of professional persons serving persons with developmental disabilities as necessary for technical assistance. The state council may call upon representatives of all agencies receiving state or federal funds for assistance and information, and shall invite persons with developmental disabilities, their parents, guardians, or conservators, professionals, or members of the general public to participate on state council committees, when appropriate.
- (d) When convening any task force or advisory group, the state council shall make its best effort to ensure representation by consumers and family members representing the state's multicultural diversity.

(Amended by Stats. 2014, Ch. 409, Sec. 11. (AB 1595) Effective January 1, 2015.)