



June 9, 2026

The Honorable Mia Bonta
Chair, Assembly Health Committee
1020 N Street, Room 390
Sacramento, CA 95814

SUBJECT: Senate Bill 869 (Weber Pierson) — SUPPORT

Dear Assemblymember Bonta:

Hospitals across California continue to see the growing impact of chronic health conditions on individuals, families, and communities. Policies that promote transparency and awareness can help empower Californians to make informed decisions that support long-term health and wellness.

This is why the California Hospital Association (CHA), on behalf of nearly 400 hospitals and health systems, is pleased to support Senate Bill (SB) 869 (Weber Pierson, D-San Diego). The bill would require large chain restaurants with 20 or more locations nationwide to display a warning icon next to standard beverage menu items containing added sugar levels equal to 50% or more of the recommended daily limit. Providing consumers with clear, accessible information at the point of purchase is an important step toward advancing public awareness and supporting informed decision-making.

Importantly, SB 869 would not restrict consumer choice. Rather, it would ensure consumers have straightforward, easy-to-understand information about the nutritional content of the beverages they purchase.

CHA supports SB 869 because it would promote public health, increase consumer awareness, and support healthier communities throughout California.

For these reasons, CHA respectfully urges your “Aye” vote on SB 869.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vanessa Gonzalez".

Vanessa Gonzalez
Vice President, State Advocacy

cc: The Honorable Akilah Weber Pierson
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