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## **Senator Correa Measure on Quality Facilities for Tomorrow's Seniors Moves Forward**

SACRAMENTO – Senate Bill 977 authored by State Senator Lou Correa with the sponsorship of the California Senior Legislature, passed the Assembly Committee on Aging and Long-Term Care yesterday. This measure would instruct the California Commission on Aging to look at a variety of recent studies and data to assess the future needs for California Senior Centers.

The state of California has not made a serious investment in its senior centers since the passage of the Senior Center Bond Act of 1984, Proposition 30. Nearly a quarter century has passed since California voters approved the measure, and these studies are vital to determining the state's current and future senior center infrastructure needs.

In addition to conducting an independent review of these studies, the bill would instruct the Commission to hold a meeting of senior leaders to determine the completeness and scope of their data. Once that is completed, the Commission would report back to the Senate Subcommittee on Aging and Long-Term Care and the Assembly Committee on Aging and Long-Term Care. The goal of this review is to ensure that the state has a complete and accurate picture of the overall needs of senior centers throughout California. This information is necessary to have an educated and responsible discussion about a new Senior Center Infrastructure Bond.

“In the next twenty years, the senior citizen population of California will double in size to 6.2 million people and Senate Bill 977 is the first step in preparing for that reality,” said Senator Correa, “This measure will ensure that as California's senior population increases in size and diversity, senior needs will continue to be met in the future.”

SB 977 will now continue on to the Assembly Appropriations Committee for a vote.

Senator Lou Correa represents the 34<sup>th</sup> District which includes the cities of Anaheim, Buena Park, Fullerton, Garden Grove, Santa Ana, Stanton, and Westminster.

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