

# AB512 • California

## Health care coverage: prior authorization.

Vetoed

Risk: Medium

Amendment

Last Action (Jan 22, 2026): Consideration of Governor's veto stricken from file.

## Summary

AB 512 aims to amend timelines for prior authorization responses by health plans and insurers, proposing a 48-hour response for standard requests and 24-hour for urgent ones, with specific definitions and exceptions confirmed in the bill.

## Business Impact

If you operate in health care, you must comply with new prior authorization timelines by January 1, 2025, or face penalties.

## Key Provisions

- Amends Section 1367.01 of the Health and Safety Code
- Amends Section 10123.135 of the Insurance Code
- Proposes 48-hour response for standard requests
- Proposes 24-hour response for urgent requests
- Specific definitions and exceptions confirmed

## Compliance Checklist

- Implement new decision timelines for prior authorization requests. | Who: Health care service plans and disability insurers | Penalty: Administrative penalties for non-compliance
- Ensure AI systems used for utilization review comply with specified guidelines. | Who: Health care service plans using AI | Penalty: Administrative penalties for non-compliance

## Industries Affected

Insurance

Healthcare

Health Care

Finance

Health Insurance

# Topics

AI Healthcare

AI in Insurance

## Bill Sponsors

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## Roll Call Votes

Date	Description	Yea	Nay	Result
2025-09-11	AB 512 Harabedian Concurrence in Senate Amendments	67	2	Passed
2025-09-09	3rd Reading AB512 Harabedian et al. By Becker	30	0	Passed
2025-08-29	Do pass	5	0	Passed
2025-08-18	Placed on suspense file	7	0	Passed
2025-07-09	Do pass as amended, but first amend, and re-refer	9	0	Passed
2025-06-02	AB 512 Harabedian Assembly Third Reading	68	1	Passed
2025-05-23	Do pass.	12	0	Passed
2025-04-22	Do pass as amended and be re-referred to the Commi	13	0	Passed

## Official Source

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