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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009-10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2199

Introduced by Assembly Member Bonnie Lowenthal

February 18, 2010

An act to amend Section 8050 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to mental health.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2199, as amended, Bonnie Lowenthal. Sexual deviation: research. Existing law requires the State Department of Mental Health, acting through the superintendent of the Langly Porter Clinic, to plan, conduct, and cause to be conducted scientific research into the causes and cures of sexual deviation, including deviations conducive to sex crimes against children, and the causes and cures of homosexuality, and into methods of identifying potential sex offenders.

This bill would, instead, require the department to plan, conduct, and cause to be conducted scientific research into the prevention of sex crimes against children and into methods of identifying those who commit sexual offenses.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 8050 of the Welfare and Institutions Code
- 2 is amended to read:

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- 1 8050. The State Department of Mental Health shall plan,
- 2 conduct, or and cause to be conducted scientific research into the
- 3 prevention of sex crimes against children and into methods of
- 4 identifying those who commit sexual offenses.