



## Legislation Text

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Recommendation to receive and file staff report on Sober Living Facilities.

Staff have been requested to provide an overview of the City's efforts to address issues regarding Sober Living Facilities. The City's Legislative Agenda has the following language regarding Sober Living Facilities:

**Drug and Alcohol Recovery Facilities:**

1. Support legislation that provides more local government control on the regulation of drug and alcohol recovery facilities.
2. Support legislation that provides more local government control over the regulation of sober -living homes that rent up to six beds and are not currently required to register for city business licenses, obtain conditional use permits or state licenses.
3. Support legislation to reduce the overconcentration of drug and alcohol recovery facilities by specifying that a required distance be maintained between facilities.

Long Beach has a long history of supporting legislation to prevent overconcentration, to require noticing, to create a state definition of what constitutes a sober living facility, and to create an incentive program to steer State dollars to facilities that are good actors. Unfortunately, all of the efforts supported by the cities have either been blocked in the State Legislature or vetoed by the Governor. Attached are resource documents from previous years that provide additional information on the City's efforts. Since 2010 there have been fewer efforts on the Statewide level to address sober living facilities given the inability to achieve progress in prior years.

Approve recommendation.

APPROVED:

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