

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

### **Former Attorney General Bill Lockyer, Injured Workers and Public Safety Advocates to Sound Alarm on Proposed Cuts and Changes to Injured Worker Benefits**

#### **WHAT:**

Injured workers, public safety representatives and advocates will gather at the California State Capitol to raise concerns regarding proposed changes to the Subsequent Injuries Benefits Trust Fund (SIBTF) currently being discussed as part of the state budget process. Speakers will discuss the potential impact on injured workers currently relying on the program and call for a more transparent public policy process surrounding any proposed reforms.

Speakers will include former California Attorney General Bill Lockyer, injured workers directly impacted by the issue and representatives from the public safety community.

#### **WHO:**

- Bill Lockyer, Former California Attorney General and State Treasurer
- Statewide elected officials
- Injured workers impacted by proposed SIBTF changes
- Public safety advocates and coalition representatives
- ***Spanish speakers available for media***

#### **WHEN:**

Tuesday, May 26, 2026 - 9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

#### **WHERE:**

California State Capitol Grounds  
Section 27, Sacramento, CA

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The Subsequent Injuries Benefits Trust Fund (SIBTF) provides critical support to California workers who suffer serious workplace injuries that compound prior disabilities or medical conditions. Proposed changes to the program could impact approximately 30,000 pending claims involving injured workers across California.

Advocates, labor representatives and public safety organizations have raised concerns that the proposed changes are being advanced through the budget trailer bill process rather than through the traditional legislative process, which would include full public hearings and policy committee review. Opponents argue the changes could significantly reduce or delay benefits for permanently disabled injured workers, including many public safety personnel and frontline workers.

#### **VISUALS:**

- Injured workers and advocates gathered on Capitol grounds
- Public safety representatives speaking in support of workers
- Pull-away interviews available with all of the day's speakers following the press conference
- Additional b-roll and supporting visuals available to media upon request ahead of the event

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