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Labor - Gloria Molina

① get Molina's phone # from John Emerson's office & insert it on second page

② remove & print on stationary

October 7, 1996

③ deliver, with attachment, to Leon (Jen P) & sit room fax to Harold

MEMORANDUM FOR LEON PANETTA
HAROLD ICKES

FROM: JENNIFER O'CONNOR

SUBJECT: REQUEST FROM ANDY STERN TO MAKE CALL TO GLORIA
MOLINA

In a meeting with Harold last month, Service Employees International Union President Andy Stern asked for Leon or Harold to call Gloria Molina, L.A. County Supervisor, to urge her to support the creation of a home care public authority which would serve as an employer of record for In-Home Support Services workers and enable them to have union representation. The two other Democratic Supervisors (Yvonne Burke and Zev Yaroslavsky) already support the creating of an authority, while the two Republicans and Gloria have not taken a position..

The Department of Health and Human Services has discussed the idea of creating such an authority and has assured SEIU that if the County created one, it would be eligible for federal funds. HCFA is formally neutral, but Administrator Bruce Vladeck thinks such an authority may be a good idea because it would lead to uniform standards for care. John Emerson spoke with Gloria's staff to judge whether a call on this subject would be well received. He says Gloria would be comfortable receiving a call on the matter, and he recommends the talking points outlined below.

Further detail on the proposal is attached. Part of the reason SEIU is coming to us is that ~~she~~ *Molina* has historically bad relations with the SEIU local in L.A. They claim she opposes anything they support. That is why the talking points emphasize that the international union has asked us to call her.

Talking Points

- I'm calling because SEIU International President Andy Stern has described the idea of creating a public authority for the home care program. As he described it to us, L.A. County has completed a study on the feasibility of a public authority, which recommends creating such an entity in the form of a "Personal Assistance Services District."

- The International union asked us to look into this, and we did. It seems that HHS has had discussions with the union and has assured them that the authority, if it were created, would be eligible for federal funds. There's some sense among the policy officials that this authority might be a good idea because it could create some uniformity of service.
- So, the union asked us to give you a call, and so I am calling to see what you think about this....Can you tell me how this is playing out and what you think?

Gloria's number is:

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