

Elderly, disabled migrants may lose a lifeline

State budget plan would cut off people in U.S. illegally from receiving help from a program they rely on.

By Emily Alpert Reyes

In Bell Gardens, Raquel Martinez said she has relied for nearly three years on a program that pays an assistant to help her make it safely to her frequent appointments at the MLK Medical Campus.

Martinez, 65, is blind and has cancer. If she did not have the help of her support worker, Martinez said, she would struggle to navigate the elevators and find the right office. Her assistant also helps her with groceries and other daily tasks such as housekeeping, she said, tending to her 21 hours a week.

"I was in need of a lot of help," Martinez said in Spanish.

As budget cuts squeeze the state, California could cut off such assistance to elderly, blind or otherwise disabled immigrants who have relied on the state's In-Home Supportive Services program.

IHSS pays assistants who help people with daily tasks such as bathing, laundry or cooking; provide needed care such as injections under the direction of a medical professional; and accompany them to and from doctor's appointments. It aims to help people remain safely in their own homes, rather than having to move into nursing facilities or suffer without needed care.

Gov. Gavin Newsom has proposed cutting immigrants in the country illegally from the IHSS program, estimating it would save California nearly \$95 million as the state stares down a \$44.9-billion budget deficit.

The proposed cut has outraged groups that advocate for immigrants and disabled people, which argued

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Condemnation for Rafah attack

Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu says the deadly strike by Israel was a "tragic mistake." **WORLD, A3**

Theft of car part turns deadly

Actor Johnny Wactor was shot when he confronted men trying to steal his catalytic converter. **CALIFORNIA, B1**

Ocean tech hub takes shape

AltaSea at the Port of Los Angeles houses businesses that focus on ocean sustainability. **BUSINESS, A6**

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DILLON BEACH is one of the few communities that can expand its short-term rental market under Marin County's new ordinance.

The debate over your beach escape



LOCALS debate whether vacation rentals are ruining coastal towns or opening the coast to people who can't afford to live there.

Marin County's cap on short-term rentals raises questions of affordability and access

By Hailey Branson-Potts

DILLON BEACH, Calif. — A stay in Brian Maggi's house, per the Airbnb listing, is what coastal California dreams are made of.

"Bathed in natural sunlight," the listing reads, it's a house where you can "enjoy unobstructed panoramic views of the ocean and Point Reyes." Bring your dog. Walk to the sand. Savor "the perfect getaway" in the 1928 "BoHo surf shack."

The little house in Dillon Beach, a remote town in western Marin County, is a second home for Maggi, a software designer who lives full time in Livermore, a hundred miles southeast.

He and his wife stay here a few weekends a month: Enough time to befriend neighbors and know the gossip, like who put in a new hot tub and who moved here to please a girlfriend, despite hating the foggy weather.

"We're not full-time residents," Maggi said, "but we're not absentee owners."

When Maggi is not using the house, he rents it on Airbnb for about \$300 a night.

That's a common practice in Dillon Beach, where, according to county estimates, a whopping 84% of the town's 408 housing units are second homes, and 31% are used as licensed short-term rentals.

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BILL WALTON, 1952 - 2024

Colorful UCLA and NBA star

The big man, who led Bruins to two national titles and won two as a pro, dies of cancer.

By Ben Bolch

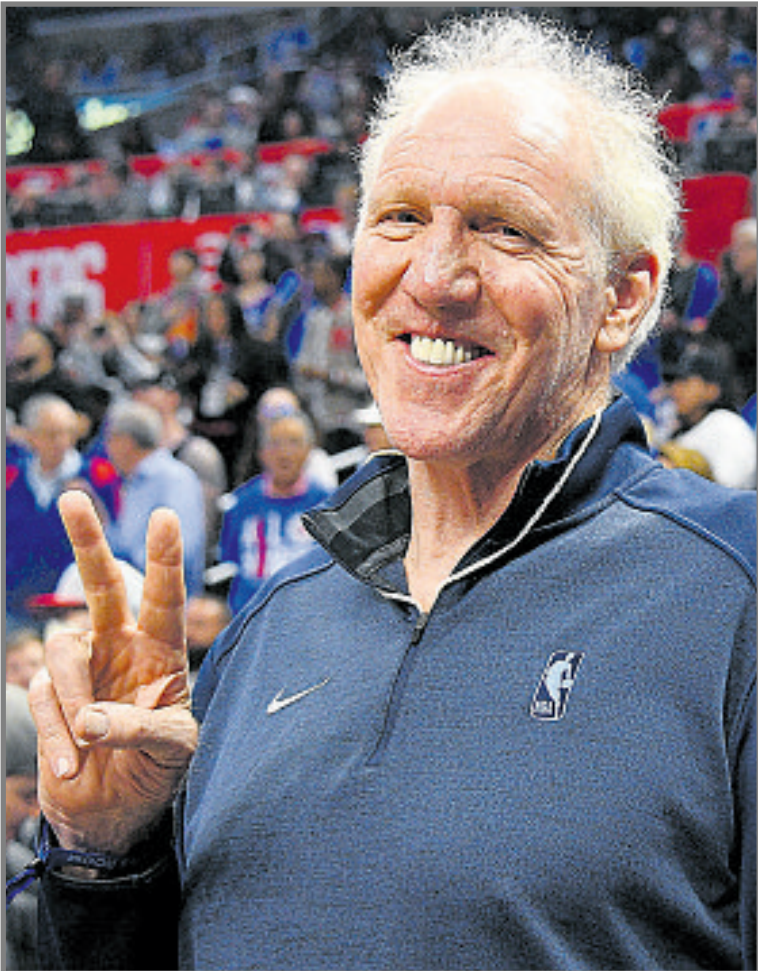
Bill Walton once said his dream Final Four field would include five Pac-12 Conference teams. He repeated the motto "Conference of Champions" on basketball broadcasts as if he was being paid by the number of references he could fit into one game.

It wasn't an act — it was Walton being Walton, as colorful as one of the tie-dye shirts the avowed Grateful Dead fan loved to wear.

Walton, the giant redhead whose basketball prowess at UCLA and in the NBA was surpassed only by his zest for life and all its absurdities, died Monday while surrounded by family after a prolonged battle with cancer. He was 71.

"The world feels so much heavier now," fellow legendary Bruins big man Kareem Abdul-Jabbar wrote on the social media platform X alongside a picture of the two men smiling with their arms draped across one another. "On the court, Bill was a fierce player, but off the court he wasn't happy unless he

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A CONSTANT PRESENCE IN BASKETBALL

After his playing career, Bill Walton became a broadcaster in an unlikely turn for someone who had struggled with stuttering.

Walton was all heart

The absence of his kind soul will leave sports world a lesser place, Bill Plaschke writes. **SPORTS, B10**

Mothers bankroll abortion initiative

Newsom turns to Midwest suburban moms group to help Arizona women.

By Mackenzie Mays

SACRAMENTO — Staring down a state budget deficit, Gov. Gavin Newsom needed money fast to fund his latest ambition for California.

So he turned to an influential voting bloc with a knack for fundraising: suburban moms from the Midwest.

The Democratic governor on Thursday signed into law a bill that temporarily allows Arizona abortion providers to practice in California in order to help cope with an influx of patients crossing the state border in the two years since the Supreme Court ended nationwide abortion rights.

As soon as Newsom unveiled it last month, Red Wine & Blue — an organization headquartered in Ohio and dedicated to engaging suburban women in progressive causes — rushed to

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