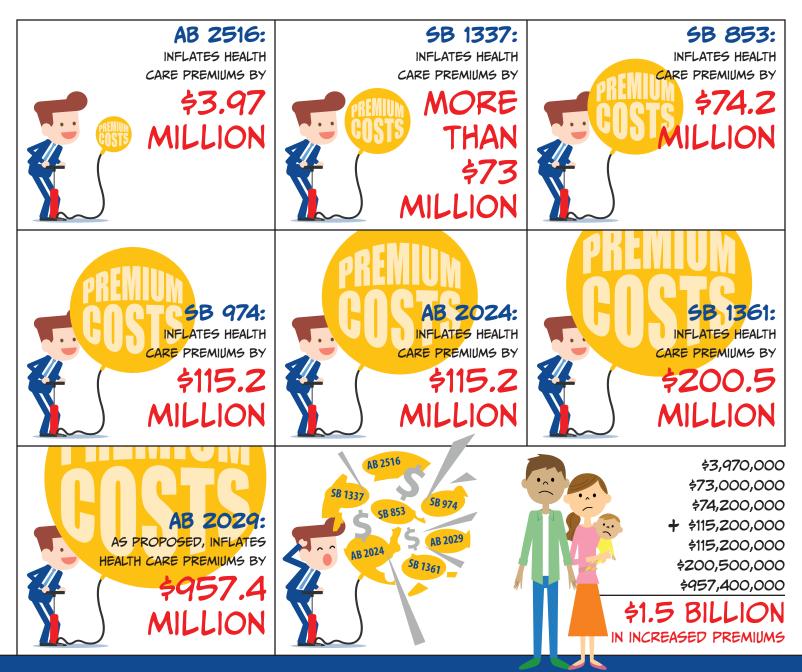
WHY IS THE CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE INFLATING YOUR HEALTH CARE PREMIUMS?

California health plans cover more than 26 million people and are dedicated to ensuring that everyone has access to high-quality, affordable health care services. This year, California lawmakers are considering many **new health care mandates that, as proposed, would collectively drive up health care premiums by \$1.5 billion** — in the first year alone.



New mandates raise the cost of the healthcare for everyone, even when the mandates only benefit a small number of people. The new mandates approved year after year by the California Legislature add to the heap of costs that have reached billions of dollars in increased premiums for health plan enrollees.

CAHP urges legislators to always look at the bigger picture by cumulatively reviewing the costs of proposed mandates and to consider the impact that they will have on the affordability of health care for all Californians.

