CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE
JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
PRINCIPAL CONSULTANT
SENATE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS, PROFESSIONS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

BASIC RESPONSIBILITIES: Under the supervision of the Chief Consultant, the Principal Consultant is responsible for preparing written policy analyses and tracking legislation in a diverse portfolio of policy areas, providing timely and accurate information to the Chair, Senate leadership, and members of the Committee, and effectively coordinating and communicating with legislative staff, representatives of state government agencies and departments, advocates, and other interested parties.

DUTIES AND ATTRIBUTES: The Principal Consultant will draft Committee and Floor analyses, negotiate legislation, present policy rationale to the Chair, organize oversight and informational hearings, staff legislation, and prepare speaking points for the Chair.

POSITION QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates must have direct professional experience with the regulation of licensed health and trade professions, the regulation of private postsecondary educational institutions, and the Legislature’s sunset and sunrise review process. Candidates should have experience and knowledge of the regulation of cannabis, the regulation of the film industry, California’s economic development and international trade and commerce programs and efforts. Candidates must have experience and knowledge of the legislative and committee process, including the budget process. Candidates must have direct experience coordinating oversight and informational hearings. Candidates must also have the ability to independently manage a substantial workload under strict deadlines (requiring working nights and weekends as necessary); analyze complex legislative proposals and succinctly communicate the policy implications, both orally and in writing; demonstrate initiative and creativity in developing amendments to improve policy and clarify the intent of legislative proposals; develop strong programmatic expertise in relevant policy areas; exhibit maturity, quick and positive judgment, fairness, and professionalism.

EDUCATION: Baccalaureate degree required, advanced degree (J.D., master’s, etc) preferred.

SALARY AND FILING DEADLINE: Salary starts at $6,712 a month plus benefits. Applications will be accepted until position is filled.

SUBMIT SENATE APPLICATION, RESUME, AND COVER LETTER TO: Sarah Mason, sarah.mason@sen.ca.gov