

REVIEW OF 2010 LEGISLATION

The County Board of Supervisors took positions on 16 bills. Of the 11 bills the County supported that went to the Governor, 7 were signed into law. In addition the County participated in the Delta Counties Coalition, monitoring 91 bills that impacted the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and water policy, and monitoring approximately 67 measures to ensure they were not amended to negatively impact the County.

Bills Signed by the Governor

AB 12 (Beall) Fostering Connections to Success Act (SUPPORT)

Relates to the licensing of foster family homes and community care facilities in which non-minor dependents of the Juvenile Court are placed, independent living settings and placement for non minor dependents, the procedures for such dependent to remain under the court's jurisdiction, the approval of relative or nonrelative homes for placement of such dependents, related long-term foster care, SSI, the Cal Works program, revising the KinGAP Program, AFDC-FC eligibility, and the Adoption Assistance Program.

AB 1701 (Chesbro) Hypodermic Needles and Syringes (SUPPORT)

Deletes the end dates for existing law that authorizes a city or county to authorize a licensed pharmacist to sell or furnish 10 or fewer hypodermic needles or syringes to a person for human use without a prescription if the pharmacy is registered with a local health department.

AR 1788 (Yamada) Water Development Projects State Financial Assistance (SUPPORT)

Relates to flood control projects. Relates to the Central Valley Flood Protection Board. Authorizes the state to pay a up to a specified percentage of nonfederal costs for flood control projects upon the recommendation of the Department of Water Resources or the board if it is determined that the project will increase the level of flood protection for disadvantaged communities.

AB 1844 (Fletcher) Sex Offenders-Punishment-Parole (SUPPORT)

Provides increased punishments for the crimes of rape, sodomy, oral copulation, and sexual penetration accomplished against a victim's will upon a child of a specified age and any lewd and lascivious act upon a child causing great bodily injury or upon a dependent person. Provides a human trafficking penalty. Requires permission for registered sex offenders to enter parks where children congregate. Relates to a lifetime parole and offender risk assessment tool. Allows a victims fund donation tax credit.

SB 346 (Kehoe) Hazardous Materials-Motor Vehicle Brake Materials (SUPPORT)

Prohibits the sale of any motor vehicle brake friction materials containing specified constituents in amounts that exceed certain concentrations. Prohibits such materials from exceeding a percentage of copper. Allows manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers, and retailers to deplete

their inventory of noncompliant materials. Provides a civil fine. Exempts certain vehicle classes. Requires vehicles sold after a specified date to meet this requirement. Relates to the use of alternative materials.

SB 769 (Alquist) Federal Funding-Appropriations-Influenza (SUPPORT)

Provides federal funding received pursuant to the federal 2009 Supplemental Appropriations Act for pandemic influenza for state and local public health and emergency response infrastructure would be subject to appropriation by the Legislature for allocation by the State Department of Public Health. Modifies the methodology for allocation of those funds.

SB 1392 (Steinberg) Mental Health Community Mental Health Services (SUPPORT)

Amends the Bronzan-McCorquodale Act that governs the operation and financing of community mental health services. Relates to monthly installments and a maximum percentage for advances. Requires Department of Mental Health to allocate and distribute annually the full appropriated amount to the mental health plan for the managed mental health program. Requires the department to distribute in a single lump sum the total approved funding to the counties for the provision of the programs and other activities.

Bills Vetoed by the Governor

AB 1834 (Solorio) Rainwater Capture Act of 2010 (SUPPORT)

Enacts the Rainwater Capture Act of 2010. Authorizes a landowner to install, maintain, and operate a rainwater capture system meeting specified requirements. Authorizes a public agency to lead a statewide stakeholder process to consider and address issues arising out of expansion of rainwater and storm water capture. Authorizes the Water Resources Board to adopt related policies or guidelines. Authorizes a landscape contractor to enter into a contract for such system under certain conditions.

AB 2531 (Fuentes) Redevelopment Economic Development (SUPPORT)

Amends the Community Redevelopment Law, Authorizes the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Los Angeles to accept public or private assistance. Expands an agency's programmatic authority to authorize it to provide direct assistance including loans, financial guarantees, or other financial assistance to businesses within project areas in connection with new or existing facilities for retaining or expanding employment, increasing building energy efficiency, or redevelopment.

SB 1091 (Hancock) Medi-Cal Individuals in County Juvenile Detention (SUPPORT)

Makes persons awaiting adjudication in county juvenile detention facilities eligible for Medi-Cal benefits if the person is receiving Medi-Cal benefits at the time of admittance or subsequently determined to be eligible for Medi-Cal benefits by the county welfare department and the county agrees to pay the state's share through an intergovernmental transfer of funds. Provides for a minimal continuation of benefits. Requires seeking of federal approvals or waivers and federal financial participation.

SB 1157 (DeSaulnier) Education, Health Schools Act of 2010 (SUPPORT)

Requires all school sites to adopt an integrated pest management program as established, administered, and enforced by the Department of Pesticide Regulation. Requires that all pesticide registration assessments be augmented to reimburse the department, local agencies, and school districts for the cost of adopting integrated pest management programs at school sites.

Rills that Failed to Pass the Legislature

AB 1409 (Perez, J.) Public Contracts: County Highways: Work Authorizations (OPPOSE)

Relates to public contract requirements. Revises the provision authorizing the work on certain county highway contracts to be done by purchasing the material and having the work done by day labor, only after advertising and requesting bids, and the board of supervisors passing a resolution making a specified finding, or purchasing the material and having the work done by specified employees.

AR 1886 (Yamada) Water Use: Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Watershed (Support)

Requires the Department of Water Resources, in preparing and updating the California Water Plan, to include a report on the progress toward meeting the goals for conservation, development, and use of the water resources of the state by reducing reliance on the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta in meeting the state's future water supply needs.

AB 2092 (Huffman) Delta Plan: Financing (Support)

Requires the Delta Stewardship Council to develop a long-term finance plan to pay for the costs of implementing the Delta Plan utilizing the "beneficiary pays" principle. Prohibits the council from adopting new fees for these purposes unless authorized by statute. Requires the council to seek to obtain early funding contributions from entities that may benefit from implementation of the plan and to track those contributions to provide credit against future funding requirements. On behalf of the County, we worked with a diverse coalition of environmental groups and water interests to advance this legislation, which was defeated by one vote on the final night of the legislative session, in part by water interests to the North and East of Sacramento who do not want to be included in any long-term Delta Plan.

SB 1084 (Liu) State Economic Security Task Force (Support)

Establishes the State Economic Security Task Force. Requires the task force to submit to the Governor and Legislature, and make available to the public, both an interim and final report containing specified information and recommendations regarding the various social service programs that provide cash assistance and other benefits to qualified low-income families and individuals.

SB 1227 (Runner, G.) School Facilities: Construction (Support)

Authorizes the Department of General Services to grant a request of a school district or community college district for review of a school construction by a qualified plan review firm under contract with the department as it deems appropriate. Prohibits the occupancy of a school building that has been constructed, reconstructed, altered, or added to, until the department has

issued a certification.

SCA 18 (Liu) Local Government: Property-Related Fees. (Support)

Proposes an amendment to the Constitution to exclude fees and charges for storm water and urban runoff management from voter approval requirements for the imposition or increase of a property-related fee or charge by a local government.