#### **LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**



May 10, 2021 1:00 P.M.

#### VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

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Supervisor Diane Burgis, Chair Supervisor Karen Mitchoff, Vice Chair

| Agenda        | Items may be taken out of order based on the business of the day and preference |
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| <b>Items:</b> | of the Committee  |

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to three minutes).
- 3. RECEIVE and APPROVE the Record of Action for the April 12, 2021 meeting of the Legislation Committee, with any necessary corrections.
- 4. ACCEPT the report on the 2021-22 State Budget and Legislation of Interest to Contra Costa County, and provide direction to staff and state lobbyists, as needed.
- 5. CONSIDER recommending to the Board of Supervisors a position on SB 10 (Wiener): Planning and zoning: housing development: density, as amended.
- 6. CONSIDER recommending to the Board of Supervisors a position on SB 617 (Wiener): Residential Solar Energy Systems: Permitting.
- 7. CONSIDER recommending to the Board of Supervisors a position on SB 90 (Stern): Elections: Ballot Label.
- 8. ACCEPT the report on federal legislation of interest and provide direction to staff and the County's federal lobbyists, as needed.
- 9. The next meeting is currently scheduled for Monday, June 14, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.
- 10. Adjourn

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# Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors

# Subcommittee Report

#### LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

**3.** 

**Meeting Date:** 05/10/2021

**Subject:** Record of Action for Legislation Committee Meeting

**Submitted For:** LEGISLATION COMMITTEE,

**Department:** County Administrator

**Referral No.:** 2021-01

**Referral Name:** Record of Action

Presenter: L. DeLaney Contact: L. DeLaney, 925-655-2057

#### **Referral History:**

County Ordinance requires that each County body keep a record of its meetings. Though the record need not be verbatim, it must accurately reflect the agenda and the decisions made in the meeting.

# **Referral Update:**

Attached is the draft Record of Action for the April 12, 2021 meeting of the Committee.

# Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):

RECEIVE and APPROVE the Record of Action for the April 12, 2021 meeting with any necessary corrections.

#### **Attachments**

**DRAFT Record of Action** 

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# **LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

RECORD OF ACTION FOR April 12, 2021

Supervisor Diane Burgis, Chair Supervisor Karen Mitchoff, Vice Chair

Present: Diane Burgis, Chair

Karen Mitchoff, Vice Chair

Staff Present: Lara DeLaney, Senior Deputy County Administrator, staff to Committee; Ryan

Hernandez, Department of Conservation & Development, Water agency; Gayle Israel, District Representative, District II; Aruna Bhat, Deputy Director, DCD; Mark Goodwin, Chief of Staff, District III; Chris Wickler, Field Representative, District IV; John Kopchik, Director of Department of Conservation & Development; Lynn Peralta, Division Manager, EHSD; Brian Balbas, Director, Public Works Department; Jody

London, Sustainability Coordinator; Bob Campbell, Auditor-Controller

Attendees: James Gross, Michelle Rubalcava; Steve Cruz; Dr. William Walker; Paul Schlesinger,

Perrin Badini; Juan Valdez; Bill Speir; Audrey

1. Introductions

Chair Burgis called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. with introductions of herself and Vice Chair Mitchoff.

2. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to three minutes).

No public comment was made to the Committee.

3. RECEIVE and APPROVE the Record of Action for the March 8, 2021 meeting.

The Record of Action for the March 8, 2021 meeting of the Committee was approved as presented.

AYE: Chair Diane Burgis

Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff

4. ACCEPT the report and provide direction to staff and the County's federal lobbyists, as needed.

The County's federal advocate, Paul Schlesinger, provided an update on the Administration's FY 22 top-line budget numbers. He reported on the major feature of the Appropriations bills for FY 22: the return of congressionally directed spending (also known as earmarks). He also reported on the \$2 trillion American Jobs Plan unveiled by President Biden, indicating a second infrastructure bill would be coming. Chair Burgis discussed the potential impact on redistricting on the County's congressional make-up. No direction was given to staff and the federal lobbyists.

AYE: Chair Diane Burgis
Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff

5. ACCEPT the report on the state resiliency bond measures and provide direction to staff and advocates, as needed.

Steve Cruz, the County's water advocate, provided the Committee with an update on the status of the discussions surrounding resiliency bonds at the State Capitol, noting the significant bills in motion, SB 45 and AB 1500. Owing to the pending drought and water conditions, there was renewed attention to the bond proposals, and the Senate had taken early action on \$2 billion of water-related projects (using proceeds from prior bond measures). The bond proposals currently were more broad-ranging with climate change and sea-level rise adaptation included. Mr. Cruz was working with staff and Supervisors Burgis and Mitchoff to identify adequate funding in any bond measures for County flood control and Delta protection. Chair Burgis wanted to draw attention to the issue as drought disasters were looming. No further direction was given by the Committee.

AYE: Chair Diane Burgis
Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff

6. ACCEPT the report and provide direction to staff and the County's state lobbyists, as needed.

The County's state advocate, Michelle Rubalcava from Nielsen Merksamer, provided an update on efforts at the Capitol to address the issue of homeowner insurance fire policy cancellation including those by Insurance Commissioner Ricardo Lara and the legislature. Chair Burgis asked about the data surrounding numbers of impacted homeowners, indicating that she has received information about numerous cancellations in Clayton and Brentwood, and asked about other actions that could be taken to address the problem aside from advocacy and education. Jim Gross, also from Nielsen Merksamer, provided the Committee with an update on the County's sponsored bills, AB 988 and AB 389.

AYE: Chair Diane Burgis
Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff

7. CONSIDER recommending a position on SB 9 (Atkins) to the Board of Supervisors.

Supervisor Mitchoff asked if the County had taken a position on the bill last year, and staff indicated there was no official position on SB 1120. She recommended that the County take an "Oppose Unless Amended" position on SB 9 and requested that the item be sent to the Board of Supervisors for discussion rather than on Consent. She would prefer cooperation with the state instead of directives.

AYE: Chair Diane Burgis
Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff

8. CONSIDER recommending to the Board of Supervisors a position on SB 10 (Wiener) and directing staff on its placement on a Board agenda.

Supervisor Mitchoff indicated serious concerns with the bill though she wasn't ready to make a recommendation to the Board for a position. She directed staff to watch the bill and bring it back for reconsideration by the Committee.

AYE: Chair Diane Burgis
Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff

- 9. The next meeting is currently scheduled for Monday, May 10, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.
- 10. Adjourn

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# Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors

# Subcommittee Report

#### LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

4.

**Meeting Date:** 05/10/2021

**Subject:** 2021-22 State Budget and Legislation of Interest

**Submitted For:** LEGISLATION COMMITTEE,

**Department:** County Administrator

**Referral No.:** 2021-02

**Referral Name:** State Budget and Bills of Interest

**Presenter:** L. DeLaney and Nielsen Merksamer **Contact:** L. DeLaney,

Team 925-655-2057

#### **Referral History:**

The Legislation Committee of the Board of Supervisors regularly receives reports on the State Budget and state legislation of interest to the County.

# **Referral Update:**

The week, of April 26, the Legislature and Governor acted on the last of early 2021-22 budget action. "Regular" budget action resumed the week of May 3 with the scheduling of numerous budget subcommittee hearings in the run-up to the Governor's May Revision, which is likely nearing its final stage of completion and is expected to be released the week of May 10 – possibly earlier in the week, but certainly no later than Friday, May 14.

In advance of the May Budget Revision, CSAC sent Governor Gavin Newsom strategic budget requests aligned to key County priorities this week. The May Revise is a chance for the Governor to update his January proposal with current revenue and caseload projections. Between the \$26 billion provided to the State through the American Rescue Plan and an unprecedented \$25.3 billion projected budget surplus, California and Governor Newsom are faced with a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to make serious investments that will move the state beyond recovery and ensure strong foundations for the future. CSAC's Budget Priority letter includes a host of one-time and ongoing investments in critical infrastructure and programs. In alignment with CSAC's key advocacy priorities, the budget request letter includes an \$8 Billion one-time investment for Broadband Infrastructure and Digital Literacy programs. Also included are requests for ongoing flexible homelessness response funds, \$500 million for Drought Emergency Funding, an additional \$200 million for disaster resilience and recovery, as well as investments in transportation, public health, and elections. Here is what happened with the last round of early budget trailer bills.

The Legislature approved and Governor Newsom <u>signed AB 80</u>, a measure that conforms California tax law to federal tax law to ensure that forgiven Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) loans that businesses received from the federal government during the pandemic will not be

counted as taxable income and that these businesses can also deduct the costs of expenses that the PPP loans paid for. This action comes just prior to the filing deadlines for federal and state income taxes on May 17.

Additionally, the Senate approved and sent to the Assembly <u>SB 92</u>, the trailer bill intended to facilitate implementation of the DJJ Realignment measure of 2020, while the Assembly considered an identical measure (<u>AB 87</u>) in its full budget committee. It is expected that after final floor action, a bill will be presented to shortly thereafter to the Governor for his action. Key provisions in the trailer bill would:

- Enact new Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) 875 to provide juvenile courts and all other involved agencies with a framework and process for placing youth who previously would have been eligible for DJJ into an appropriately responsive dispositional track to address their programming and treatment needs. In addition to outlining specialized considerations for the court, the framework also is meant to guard against an increase in referrals of youth to the adult court system;
- Clarify language regarding which county agencies are eligible for SB 823 programmatic funding that accompanies the shift of responsibility;
- Restore a previous code section describing who was eligible for placement in DJJ to ensure that if ever necessary, as specified under WIC Section 733.1 provisions to revert responsibility back to the state could be executed if funding is not provided to counties;
- Specify that county payments to accompany the shift in responsibility are to be paid annually rather than monthly; and
- Set a hard closure date for all DJJ facilities on June 30, 2023, and require the state's DJJ director to develop a plan by January 1, 2022 for managing the transfer of the youth who remain at DJJ at the final closure date.

# **Assembly Budget Blueprint Released**

Assembly Budget Chair Phil Ting released the Assembly's <u>Budget Blueprint</u> for 2021-22, including a number of proposals to restore state service and invest in priority areas, while stimulating the economy. The blueprint notes that the state's significant budget surplus and available federal funds allow for new investments to expand opportunities for Californians most in need.

Highlights of the Assembly priority spending include:

- Stabilization and expansion of some critical programs and services: Repay school/community college deferrals; restore cuts to UC, CSU, courts, housing, child support, health and human services; bolster access to Medi-Cal and Covered California; retain healthy reserves
- Maintain COVID-19 response: Continue investing in public health infrastructure; safely reopen schools for the fall; protect vulnerable populations in nursing homes and prisons; ensure workplace safety enforcement; greater transparency & oversight of all disaster-related funding
- Support for working families: Ongoing funding to head off homelessness; more Golden State Stimulus payments; implementation of TK-For-All and expansion of Early Care & Education; increase college financial aid and refund amounts for California Earned Income Tax Credit (CalEITC) filers; safeguard communities from wildfires
- **Reopening/economic recovery**: Add retraining programs for laid off workers; debt-free college; establish a Climate Crisis investment plan and infrastructure strategy to stimulate

green jobs while benefiting low-income communities; empower communities & celebrating diversity to combat racism; modernization of the Employment Development Department (EDD)

Additionally, specific subcommittee priorities of note include the following.

Assembly Subcommittee No. 1 on HHS –

- Respond to California's behavioral health crisis by supporting the California Reducing Disparities Project, All Children Thrive, emergency department peer navigators, Mental Health Student Services Act school-county partnerships, and start-up costs for peer support specialist certification programs
- Increase health care access by expanding Medi-Cal to all, regardless of immigration status, making Covered California more affordable, eliminating the Medi-Cal assets test, implementing CalAIM, extending telehealth flexibilities, and investing in enrollment navigators
- Build a robust public health infrastructure with significant investments in county public health staff, to effectively address future pandemics as well as current epidemics of HIV, HCV, and STDs, heart disease, diabetes, and deaths of despair
- Advance the Master Plan for Aging with key investments in In-Home Supportive Services, Adult Protective Services/Home Safe, Senior Nutrition, and other vital Aging programs
- Protect vulnerable children by preventing child welfare removals, supporting foster families, and providing more support for struggling older youth
- Increase developmental services rates and expand services
- Refocus CalWORKs into a program that elevates child and family wellbeing, increasing grants, and providing more resources to truly support the positive trajectory of these California families

Assembly Subcommittee No. 5 on Public Safety –

- Adopt fiscally responsible prison spending and long-term planning
- Improve outcomes and state oversight of the juvenile justice system
- Adopt policies that comply with court ordered oversight of prisons
- Reduce gun violence
- Reduce barriers to reentry
- Enhance workforce development opportunities and housing
- Enhance court access and services for low income and indigent people
- Support survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault
- Improve services for court users

As noted above, budget subcommittees have resumed work in preparation for the May Revision. Senate Budget Subcommittee No. 3 on HHS discussed public health infrastructure and the Office of Health Care Affordability on Tuesday, May 4. On May 6, the subcommittee will discuss child support and aging issues, among other items.

Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 5 on Public Safety met on Monday, May 3 to close out various issues, including several court facility construction proposals as well as at least one Department of Justice item of note – the funding to convene the working group charged with developing a plan to replace the current statewide juvenile justice database (the Juvenile Court and Probation Statistical System or JCPSS), as required under the provisions of the DJJ Realignment measure of last year (SB 823). Additionally, the subcommittee will consider a plan

to appropriate \$3.1 million and 14 new positions at the Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) to strengthen jail inspections and oversight.

On the Senate side, Subcommittee No. 5 meets Thursday, May 6 where they will discuss judicial branch issues – including dependency counsel funding, a spending priority identified in the Senate Democrats' recently released Build Boldly Back <u>plan</u>. Also on the subcommittee's agenda are BSCC, state corrections, and DOJ budgets.

### Senate Budget Subcommittee Approves Drought Package

The Senate Budget Subcommittee No. 2 approved a \$3.4 billion spending proposal to address the state's water supply needs, as the state approaches a second consecutive dry summer. The package includes spending proposals on drinking water, conservation, recycling and efficiency projects, groundwater, stormwater management, fish and wildlife, and rate assistance for drinking water and wastewater utilities. Funding is proposed to come from the state General Fund and previously approved bonds, while \$1 billion for ratepayers and water utilities would come from Coronavirus State and Local Relief Funds approved as part of the federal American Rescue Plan.

The Legislature may also place a bond on the 2022 ballot to fund \$6 to \$7 billion in projects to address drought, drinking water, floods, wildfire, and extreme heat. The Senate's proposal is contained in <u>SB 45</u>, while <u>AB 1500</u> reflects the Assembly's plan. The bond is focused on longer-term projects, while the budget proposal reflects immediate projects.

The subcommittee approved the package unanimously after a request from Senator Brian Dahle for \$15 million for the Klamath River Basin was included in the package.

# **Newsom Recall Election Underway**

Secretary of State Dr. Shirley Weber reported on April 26 that the effort to recall Governor Gavin Newsom was successful, even with outstanding ballots left to count. Recall proponents submitted more than 1,495,709 verified voter signatures, meeting the minimum threshold to force a special recall election later this year.

Counties were to report final signatures were to the Secretary of State on April 29, 2021; once those are verified by the Secretary of State, the 30-day period for voters to request that their signatures be removed from recall petitions begins. When that 30-day period has concluded, the Secretary of State must notify the Department of Finance whether the recall has failed or may proceed. Within 30 business days of this notification, the Department of Finance must consult with county elections officials and the Secretary of State to estimate the costs of the recall election and submit that estimate to the Chair of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, Governor, and Secretary of State. (Note that <a href="press reports">press reports</a> have suggested that the estimated cost of the recall election would be around \$400 million.)

The Joint Legislative Budget Committee then has 30 days to review and comment on the estimate provided by the Department of Finance. After this review period, the Secretary of State will certify that the proponents have submitted the requisite number of signatures to qualify the recall for the ballot. Then, the Lieutenant Governor must call a recall election to be held not less than 60 days nor more than 80 days from the date of certification of sufficient signatures.

# **CalAIM Bill Package**

As anticipated, the CalAIM bill package moved out of the Senate and Assembly Health Committees and will be heard in the relevant Appropriations Committees. During his bill presentations, Assembly Member Jim Wood, chair of the Assembly Health Committee, announced that he had conferred with Senator Richard Pan, chair of the Senate Health Committee, on the CalAIM measures and process. The chairs' plan is to have policy committees hear and discuss the major CalAIM components. As agreement is reached with stakeholders and the Administration on language, those agreed upon components will move into a budget trailer bill.

The CalAIM measures before the Legislature are:

- AB 875 (Wood): This measure includes: 1) the transition from the PRIME program to the Quality Improvement Program, as PRIME is being phased out of the current 1115 waiver; 2) the Global Payment Program; 3) jail services; and 4) state monitoring of county performance for county eligibility work for Medi-Cal. The measure, via future amendments, will also include state monitoring of county performance for California Children's Services (CCS) and Child Health Disability Prevention (CHDP) program.
- <u>AB 942</u> (Wood): Behavioral health components of CalAIM, including the funding change from certified public expenditures to Intergovernmental Transfers (IGTs).
- AB 1132 (Wood): Medicare Advantage Dual Special Needs Plan (D-SNP) components.
- <u>SB 256</u> (Pan): Population Health Management, Enhanced Care Management and In Lieu of Services components. SB 256 also contains the authority for incentive payments to Medi-Cal managed care plans.
- <u>SB 279</u> (Pan): Health Homes sunset, dental services, and health plan accreditation.

# **Update on Telehealth Legislative Effort**

AB 32 (Aguiar-Curry), which would permanently extend many of the telehealth flexibilities provided during the pandemic, passed out of Assembly Health Committee 13-0. The April 23 amendments require the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to reimburse each federally qualified health center (FQHC) and rural health clinic (RHC) for health care services provided through audio-only telehealth, including telephone, at the applicable prospective payment system (PPS) per-visit rate, consistent with this bill, until the earlier of January 1, 2025, or the date that the FQHC or RHC elects to participate in an alternative payment methodology (APM). The amendments also require specified mental health services furnished through audio-only telehealth, to continue to be reimbursed at the applicable PPS per-visit rate indefinitely, except if the FQHC or RHC elects an APM that covers those services.

The Assembly Appropriations Committee will consider the bill next. The California Health Benefits Review Program (CHBRP) has provided a fiscal estimate on the changes in AB 32, estimating the measure will cost \$240 million across the health care system - \$136 million in costs related to Medi-Cal. The CHBRP analysis does not project any cost offsets or savings in expenditures that would result because of the enactment of this bill.

# Measure to Redirect JJCPA Funding

SB 493 (Bradford) proposes an array of changes to the Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act (JJCPA), including redirection of 95 percent of the program's funding to non-law enforcement local agencies or community-based organizations (CBOs). JJCPA represents a long-standing

investment in local juvenile justice responses and, beginning in 2000, has helped local probation along with their CBO partners build a continuum of juvenile prevention and intervention services. It was on this foundation that the state realigned a portion of the juvenile justice system to counties in 2007. Given that JJCPA and the adjacent funding associated with the 2007 shift in juvenile justice responsibility both were realigned in 2011, these programs now enjoy constitutional protections that appear to be abridged by the approach contemplated in SB 493.

This measure was heard in the Senate Appropriations Committee on Monday. In addition to probation union opposition, the statewide county associations of CSAC, UCC, and RCRC along with the probation chiefs are in opposition to the bill. the counties' opposition <u>letter</u> to the Appropriations Committee details the various ways in which SB 493 interacts and conflicts with constitutional protections accorded to programs and funding realigned in 2011.

The County's list of priority bills of interest is Attachment A.

## **Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):**

ACCEPT the report and provide direction to staff and the County's state advocates, as needed.

#### **Attachments**

Attachment A: Priority Bills for CCC

# 2021 PRIORITY BILLS For Contra Costa County 05/06/21

AB 4 AUTHOR: Arambula [D]

TITLE: Medi-Cal: Eligibility

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Extends eligibility for full scope Medi-Cal benefits to anyone regardless of age, and who is otherwise eligible for those benefits but for their immigration status, pursuant to an eligibility and enrollment plan. Requires the eligibility and enrollment plan to ensure that an individual maintains continuity of care with respect to their primary care provider.

STATUS:

04/13/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on HEALTH: Do pass to

Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (11-3)

AB 14 AUTHOR: Aguiar-Curry [D]

TITLE: Communications: Broadband: Advanced Services Fund

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: yes

INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Authorizes local educational agencies to report to the State Department of Education their pupils' estimated needs for computing devices and internet connectivity adequate for at-home learning. Authorizes the board of supervisors of a county to acquire, construct, improve, maintain, or operate broadband internet access service, and any other communications service necessary to obtain federal or state support.

STATUS:

04/28/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Do

pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (5-2)

Commentary001: CSAC supports

AB 15 AUTHOR: Chiu [D]

TITLE: COVID-19 Relief: Tenancy Stabilization Act of 2021

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: yes

INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee

SUMMARY:

Extends the definition of "COVID-19 rental debt" as unpaid rent or any other unpaid financial obligation of a tenant that came due between March 1, 2020, and December 31, 2021. Extends the repeal date of the COVID-19 Tenant Relief

Act of 2020 to January 1, 2026. Prohibits a landlord from taking certain actions with respect to a tenant's COVID-19 rental debt, including, among others, charging or attempting to collect late fees, or withholding a service or amenity.

STATUS:

01/11/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENT.

AB 16 AUTHOR: Chiu [D]

TITLE: Tenancies: Tenant, Small Landlord, and Housing Act

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 12/07/2020

 LAST AMEND:
 01/12/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee

SUMMARY:

Establishes the Tenant, Small Landlord, and Affordable Housing Provider Stabilization Program. Authorizes the Director of Housing and Community Development to direct an existing office or program within the Department of Housing and Community Development to implement the program. Establishes in the State Treasury the COVID-19 Tenant, Small Landlord, and Affordable Housing Provider Stabilization Fund, and, upon appropriation, distributes all moneys in the fund to carry out the purposes of the program. STATUS:

01/12/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENT with author's amendments.

01/12/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENT.

AB 22 AUTHOR: McCarty [D]

TITLE: Preschool Programs and Transitional Kindergarten

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

 INTRODUCED:
 12/07/2020

 LAST AMEND:
 04/12/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the Superintendent to authorize California state preschool program contracting agencies to offer wraparound childcare services for eligible children enrolled in a K-12 educational program.

STATUS:

04/28/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To

Suspense File.

AB 32 AUTHOR: Aguiar-Curry [D]

TITLE: Telehealth

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020 LAST AMEND: 04/22/2021 **DISPOSITION**: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires certain provisions of the Knox-Keene Health Care Service Plan Act relative to telehealth to apply to a plan or insurer's contract entity. Subjects county organized health systems that provide services under Medi-Cal to these provisions. Authorizes a provider to enroll in specified Medi-Cal programs through telehealth. Requires health care services furnished by an enrolled clinic to be reimbursed by Medi-Cal at the same rate as those services if furnished in person.

STATUS:

04/27/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Coauthors revised.

04/27/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on HEALTH: Do pass to

Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (13-0)

Commentary001:

Sent LOS, per Dr. Walker recommendation. Consistent with Platform.

AB 34 AUTHOR: Muratsuchi [D]

TITLE: Broadband for All Act of 2022

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020
LAST AMEND: 04/06/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Enacts the Broadband for All Act of 2022, which, if approved by the voters, authorizes the issuance of bonds pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to support the 2022 Broadband for All Program to be administered by the Department of Technology for purposes of providing financial assistance for projects to deploy broadband infrastructure and broadband services. **STATUS**:

05/05/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To

Suspense File.

Commentary001: CSAC supports

AB 52 AUTHOR: Frazier [D]

TITLE: California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the State Air Resources Board, in each scoping plan update prepared by the state board after January 1, 2022, to include, consistent with the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, recommendations for achieving the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions of emissions of greenhouse gases and black carbon from wildfires. Expresses the intent of the Legislature to appropriate an amount from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund for wildfire mitigation and prevention.

STATUS:

01/11/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

AB 71 AUTHOR: Rivas [D]

TITLE: Homelessness Funding: Bring California Home Act

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

 INTRODUCED:
 12/07/2020

 LAST AMEND:
 05/04/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Makes various changes to the Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law and designates that any resulting revenue be used for purposes of the Bring California Home Act. Modifies the duties of the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council.

STATUS:

05/04/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

Sent LOS. Consistent with Platform.

AB 80 AUTHOR: Burke [D]

Tax: Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: yes

 INTRODUCED:
 12/07/2020

 ENACTED:
 04/29/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Enacted

 LOCATION:
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 CHAPTER:
 2021-017

SUMMARY:

Excludes, on or after a certain date, from gross income any advance grant amount, as defined, issued pursuant to specified provisions of the CARES Act or the Consolidated Appropriations Act, and covered loan amounts forgiven pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act. Adopts the provisions of the Consolidated Appropriations Act prohibiting any reduction in tax deductions, denials of basis adjustments, and reductions in tax attributes based on the exclusion from gross income, as specified.

04/29/2021 Signed by GOVERNOR.

04/29/2021 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 2021-017

AB 98 AUTHOR: Frazier [D]
TITLE: Health Care

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

INTRODUCED: 12/09/2020 LAST AMEND: 04/29/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the Department of Aging, on or before January 1, 2026, to submit a report to the Assembly Committee on Aging and Long-Term Care, the Assembly

Committee on Health, and the Senate Committee on Health that includes an evaluation of the success of the pilot program and challenges in implementation.

STATUS:

04/29/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

AB 112 AUTHOR: Holden [D]

Medi-Cal Eligibility

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 12/17/2020
LAST AMEND: 03/25/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the suspension of Medi-Cal benefits to an inmate of a public institution who isn't a juvenile to end on the date they are no longer an inmate or 3 years from the date they become an inmate of a public institution, whichever is sooner. Requires the suspension of Medi-Cal benefits to an inmate who is a juvenile on the date that the individual is no longer an inmate or 3 years after the date the individual is no longer an eligible juvenile under federal law, whichever is sooner.

STATUS:

04/21/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To

Suspense File.

AB 119 AUTHOR: Salas [D]

TITLE: County Assessors: Direct Levies

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

INTRODUCED: 12/18/2020
LAST AMEND: 01/26/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Local Government Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the county auditor, or other county officer designated by the county, to make publicly available on their internet website information about direct levies as defined, including the range of combined direct levies assessed on real property. Requires a website posting that identifies contact information for each direct levy assessed within their jurisdiction, to also include the range of fees assessed on individual parcels of real property subject to the special district's assessment.

STATUS:

01/26/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT with

author's amendments.

01/26/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

Commentary001:

Auditor Bob Campbell is opposed and recommends a letter from BOS to oppose. Leg Com recommends oppose.

AB 226 AUTHOR: Ramos [D]

TITLE: Children's Crisis Psychiatric Residential Treatment

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 01/11/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/13/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Reclassifies children's crisis residential programs as children's crisis psychiatric residential treatment facilities, and transfers responsibility for licensing these facilities to the State Department of Health Care Services. Requires the department to establish regulations for the licensing of children's crisis psychiatric residential treatment facilities, and requires those facilities to obtain certification from the department.

STATUS:

04/21/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on HUMAN SERVICES: Do

pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (8-0)

Commentary001:

CSAC supports.

AB 240 AUTHOR: Rodriguez [D]

TITLE: Local Health Department Workforce Assessment

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 01/12/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the Department of Public Health to contract with an appropriate and qualified entity to conduct an evaluation of the adequacy of the local health department infrastructure and to make recommendations for future staffing, workforce needs, and resources, in order to accurately and adequately fund local public health.

STATUS:

04/14/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To

Suspense File.

Commentary001:

Leg Com found consistent with Platform 2/8/21. Sending LOS. Commentary002:

CSAC in support

AB 270 AUTHOR: Ramos [D]

TITLE: Core Behavioral Health Crisis Services System

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 01/19/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Health Committee

SUMMARY:

Creates the Core Behavioral Health Crisis Services System, using the digits 988 for the 988 Suicide Prevention and Behavioral Health Crisis Hotline, in compliance with existing Federal Law and standards governing the National

Suicide Prevention Lifeline. Requires the department, as defined, to take specified actions to implement the hotline system.

STATUS:

01/28/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on HEALTH and COMMUNICATIONS AND CONVEYANCE.

Commentary001:

AB 988 similar bill

AB 273 AUTHOR: Irwin [D]

TITLE: Cannabis: Advertisements: Highways

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

INTRODUCED: 01/19/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/26/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Business and Professions Committee

SUMMARY:

Removes the existing reference to advertising or marketing on a billboard or similar device visible from an interstate highway or on a state highway within California, and specifies that a licensee seeking to advertise or market through broadcast, cable, radio, print, and digital communications is required to obtain reliable up-to-date audience composition data demonstrating that a certain percent of the audience viewing the advertising or marketing is reasonably expected to be 21 years of age.

STATUS:

04/27/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS:

Failed passage.

Commentary001:

To Leg Com for found consistent with Platform. LOS sent.

AB 284 AUTHOR: Rivas R [D]

TITLE: Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Climate Goal

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 01/21/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/14/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the State Air Resources Board, when updating the scoping plan and in collaboration with the Natural Resources Agency and other relevant state agencies and departments, to take specified actions by a certain date, including, among others, identifying a 2045 climate goal, with interim milestones, for the state's natural and working lands and identifying practices, policy and financial incentives, market needs, and potential reductions in barriers that would help achieve the 2045 climate goal.

STATUS:

05/04/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To

Suspense File.

AB 328 AUTHOR: Chiu [D]

TITLE: Reentry Housing and Workforce Development Program

FISCAL COMMITTEE: Yes

URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 01/26/2021
LAST AMEND: 03/17/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Establishes the Reentry Housing and Workforce Development Program. Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to, on or before a specified date, take specified actions to, upon appropriation by the Legislature, provide grants to applicants, as defined, for innovative or evidence-based housing, housing-based services, and employment interventions to allow people with recent histories of incarceration to exit homelessness and remain stably housed.

STATUS:

04/21/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To

Suspense File.

AB 329 AUTHOR: Bonta [D]

TITLE: Bail FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 01/27/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires bail to be set at a specified level for all offenses except, among others, serious or violent felonies, violations of specified protective orders, battery against a spouse, sex offenses, and driving under the influence. Requires the Judicial Council to prepare, adopt, and annually revise a bail schedule for the exempt offenses.

STATUS:

03/23/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY: Do pass

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (5-2)

AB 332 AUTHOR: Env Safety & Toxic Material Cmt

TITLE: Hazardous Waste: Treated Wood Waste: Management

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: yes

INTRODUCED: 01/27/2021
LAST AMEND: 03/26/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: 74

LOCATION: Assembly Third Reading File

SUMMARY:

Requires a person managing treated wood waste to comply with the hazardous waste control laws or certain management standards, including standards for the reuse, storage, treatment, transportation, tracking, identification, and disposal of treated wood waste.

STATUS:

04/22/2021 In ASSEMBLY. From Consent Calendar. To third reading.

Commentary001:

Consistent with Platform. Signed on to coalition letter.

AB 339 AUTHOR: Lee [D]

TITLE: Local Government: Open and Public Meetings

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 01/28/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/04/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires all open and public meetings of a city council or a county board of supervisors that governs a jurisdiction containing least 250,000 people to include an opportunity for members of the public to attend via a telephonic option or an internet-based service option.

STATUS:

05/04/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

AB 361 AUTHOR: Rivas R [D]

TITLE: Open Meetings: Local Agencies: Teleconferences

FISCAL COMMITTEE: NO NO

 INTRODUCED:
 02/01/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/06/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Second Reading File

SUMMARY:

STATUS:

Authorizes a local agency to use teleconferencing without complying with the teleconferencing requirements imposed by the Ralph M. Brown Act when a legislative body of a local agency holds a meeting for the purpose of declaring or ratifying a local emergency, during a declared state of emergency or local emergency, when state or local health officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, and during a declared local emergency. Makes conforming changes.

05/05/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Do

pass as amended. (7-0)

AB 377 AUTHOR: Rivas R [D]

TITLE: Water Quality: Impaired Waters

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/01/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/13/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the state board and regional boards to prioritize enforcement of all water quality standard violations that are causing or contributing to an exceedance of a water quality standard in a surface water of the state.

STATUS:

04/21/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY

AND TOXIC MATERIALS: Do pass to Committee on

APPROPRIATIONS. (5-3)

AB 383 AUTHOR: Salas [D]

Mental Health: Older Adults

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

INTRODUCED: 02/02/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/22/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Establishes within the State Department of Health Care Services an Older Adult Mental Health Services Administrator to oversee mental health services for older adults. Prescribes the functions of the administrator and its responsibilities, including, but not limited to, developing outcome and related indicators for older adults for the purpose of assessing the status of mental health services for older adults, monitoring the quality of programs for those adults, and guiding decisionmaking.

STATUS:

04/22/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

Advisory Council on Aging in support

Commentary002:

Dr. Walker reports CBHDA has support if amended position regarding source of funding (MHSA). Hold until resolved.

AB 389 AUTHOR: Grayson [D]

TITLE: Ambulance Services

FISCAL COMMITTEE: NO URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 02/02/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: 62

LOCATION: Assembly Third Reading File

SUMMARY:

Relates to ambulance services. Authorizes a county to contract for emergency ambulance services with a fire protection district that is governed by the county's board of supervisors and provides those services, in whole or in part, through a written subcontract with a private ambulance service. Authorizes a fire protection district to enter into a written subcontract with a private ambulance service for these purposes.

STATUS:

04/15/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time. To third reading.

Commentary001:

Our sponsored bill

Bos: Support

AB 413 AUTHOR: Ting [D]

TITLE: Foster Youth: Housing

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/03/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 03/17/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Deletes provisions conditionally suspending a program requiring the Department of Housing and Community Development to provide funding to counties for allocation to child welfare services agencies to help young adults who are 18 to 24 years of age secure and maintain housing, and subjecting the requirements of the program to an annual appropriation in the Budget Act. **STATUS**:

04/21/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To

Suspense File.

Commentary001:

Sent LOS. Consistent with Platform.

AB 428 AUTHOR: Mayes [R]

TITLE: Government: Board Of Supervisors

FISCAL COMMITTEE: NO URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 02/04/2021
LAST AMEND: 03/18/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: 105

LOCATION: Assembly Third Reading File

SUMMARY:

Requires that, when term limits are imposed, the limit must be no fewer than a specified amount of terms. Specifies that the board of supervisors is included in the definition of county officers for whom the board of supervisors is required to prescribe compensation.

STATUS:

05/03/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time. To third reading.

Commentary001:

Supv. Mitchoff requests support

AB 518 AUTHOR: Wicks [D]

TITLE: Criminal Law: Violations Punishable in Multiple Ways

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

INTRODUCED: 02/10/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: 66

LOCATION: Assembly Third Reading File

SUMMARY:

Relates to existing law which requires an act or omission that is punishable in different ways by different laws to be punished under the law that provides for the longest possible term of imprisonment. This bill, instead, would authorize an act or omission that is punishable in different ways by different laws to be punished under either of those provisions.

STATUS:

04/15/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time. To third reading.

AB 540 AUTHOR: Petrie-Norris [D]

TITLE: Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly

FISCAL COMMITTEE: Yes

URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

 INTRODUCED:
 02/10/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/27/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Exempts a Medi-Cal beneficiary who is enrolled in a PACE organization with a contract with the Department of Health Care Services from mandatory or passive enrollment in a Medi-Cal managed care plan, and requires persons enrolled in a PACE plan to receive all Medicare and Medi-Cal services from the PACE program.

STATUS:

04/27/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

EHSD tracked bill

AB 602 AUTHOR: Grayson [D]

Development Fees: Impact Fee Nexus Study

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/11/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 05/04/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires a city, county, or special district that conducts an impact fee nexus study to follow specific standards and practices. Requires a city, county, or special district to post a written fee schedule or a link directly to the written fee schedule on its internet website. Requires a city or county to request the total amount of fees and exactions associated with a project upon the issuance of a certificate of occupancy, and to post this information on its internet website. **STATUS:** 

05/04/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

CSAC taking "oppose unless amended"

AB 624 AUTHOR: Bauer-Kahan [D]

Juveniles: Transfer to Court of Criminal Jurisdiction

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 02/12/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/21/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Makes an order transferring a minor from a juvenile court to a court of criminal jurisdiction subject to appeal.

STATUS:

04/28/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Coauthors revised.

AB 636 AUTHOR: Maienschein [D]

TITLE: Financial Abuse of Elder or Dependent Adults

FISCAL COMMITTEE: NO URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 02/12/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE

SUMMARY:

Authorizes information relevant to the incident of elder or dependent adult abuse to be given to a federal law enforcement agency charged with the investigation of elder or dependent adult abuse or to a local code enforcement agency for the sole purpose of investigating a property where the health and safety of an elder or dependent adult resident is at risk.

04/12/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.

\*\*\*\*\*To SENATE. (73-0)

Commentary003: LOS sent 4/5/21

AB 640 AUTHOR: Cooley [D]

Extended Foster Care: Eligibility Redetermination

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/

INTRODUCED: 02/12/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/12/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the State Department of Social Services to develop and disseminate guidance to county child welfare and probation agencies on recommended procedures to follow in order to transition a youth to the extended foster care program in a manner that enables the county to redetermine the youths eligibility for federal financial participation.

STATUS:

04/21/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on HUMAN SERVICES: Do

pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (8-0)

Commentary001:

CWDA sponsors; CSAC supports

AB 684 AUTHOR: Fong [R]

TITLE: Hazardous Waste: Treated Wood Waste

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 02/16/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials

Committee

SUMMARY:

Defines the term treated wood and would require treated wood waste, as defined, to be disposed of in either a class I hazardous waste landfill or in a composite-lined portion of a solid waste landfill unit that meets specified requirements. Requires any solid waste landfill accepting treated wood waste to meet certain requirements specified in the bill and to manage the treated wood

waste in a specified manner.

STATUS:

02/25/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND

TOXIC MATERIALS.

AB 686 AUTHOR: Arambula [D]

TITLE: Community-Based Behavioral Health Outcomes and Review

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 02/16/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Health Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the California Health and Human Services Agency to establish, by July 1, 2022, the California Community-Based Behavioral Health Outcomes and Accountability Review (CBBH-OAR) to facilitate a local accountability system that fosters continuous quality improvement in county behavioral health programs and in the collection and dissemination by the agency of best practices in service delivery.

STATUS:

02/25/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on HEALTH.

AB 695 AUTHOR: Arambula [D]

TITLE: Elder and Dependent Adults

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 02/16/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/08/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Authorizes a local adult protective services agency, local law enforcement agency, and the Department of Business Oversight to disclose to a mandated reporter of suspected financial abuse of an elder or dependent adult or their employer, upon request, the general status or final disposition of any investigation that arose from a report made by that mandated reporter of suspected financial abuse of an elder or dependent adult.

04/20/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on AGING & LONG TERM CARE:

Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (7-0)

Commentary001: CSAC supports

AB 780 AUTHOR: Ting [D]

TITLE: Local Zoning Ordinances: School Employee Housing

FISCAL COMMITTEE: NO URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

 INTRODUCED:
 02/16/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 03/15/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Local Government Committee

SUMMARY:

Authorizes the governing board of a school district to render a city or county

zoning ordinance inapplicable if the proposed use of property by the school district is to offer school district employee housing under specified conditions. Exempts the rendering of a city or county zoning ordinance as inapplicable, in order to offer school district employee housing, from review under this authority.

STATUS:

03/25/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Suspend Assembly Rule 96. 03/25/2021 Re-referred to ASSEMBLY Committees on LOCAL

GOVERNMENT and EDUCATION.

Commentary002:

Chris Lee at CSAC says it's a two-year bill now. They had a draft OUA letter circulating.

AB 808 AUTHOR: Stone [D]

Foster Youth: Children's Crisis Continuum Pilot Program

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes

 INTRODUCED:
 02/16/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 03/25/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the State Department of Social Services, in collaboration with the State Department of Health Care Services, to establish the Children's Crisis Continuum Pilot Program for the purpose of developing treatment options that are needed to support State's commitment to eliminate the placement of foster youth with complex needs in out-of-state facilities.

STATUS:

04/27/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on HEALTH: Do pass to

Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (15-0)

Bos: Support

AB 816 AUTHOR: Chiu [D]

TITLE: State and Local Agencies: Homelessness Plan

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 02/16/2021 LAST AMEND: 05/04/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to conduct, or contract with an entity to conduct, a statewide needs and gaps analysis to, among other things, identify state programs that provide housing or services to persons experiencing homelessness and create a financial model that will assess certain investment needs for the purpose of moving persons experiencing homelessness into permanent housing.

STATUS:

05/04/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

CSAC Oppose Unless Amended; haven't gotten bill back to where it was last year, so starting with OUA and try to get back to where it had gotten last year.

AB 844 AUTHOR: Grayson [D]

TITLE: Empowerment Zone for the Northern Waterfront Area

FISCAL COMMITTEE: NO URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 02/17/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/04/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: 114

LOCATION: Assembly Consent Calendar - First Legislative Day

SUMMARY:

Authorizes establishment of a Green Empowerment Zone for the Northern Waterfront area of the Counties of Contra Costa and Solano.

STATUS:

05/05/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time. To Consent Calendar.

AB 875 AUTHOR: Wood [D]

TITLE: Medi-Cal: Demonstration Project

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

 INTRODUCED:
 02/17/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 05/04/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the Department of Health Care Services to develop and implement a mandatory process for county jails and county juvenile facilities to coordinate with Medi-Cal managed care plans and Medi-Cal behavioral health delivery systems to facilitate continued behavioral health treatment in the community for inmates, as specified.

STATUS:

05/04/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS with

author's amendments.

05/04/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

AB 903 AUTHOR: Frazier [D]

TITLE: Los Medanos Community Healthcare District

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/17/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/19/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

 FILE:
 91

LOCATION: Assembly Third Reading File

SUMMARY:

Requires the dissolution of the Los Medanos Community Healthcare District. Requires the County of Contra Costa to be successor of all rights and responsibilities of the district, and requires the county to develop and conduct the Los Medanos Area Health Plan Grant Program focused on comprehensive health-related services in the district's territory.

STATUS:

04/29/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time. To third reading.

Commentary001:

LOS sent; consistent with amended Platform.

AB 911

AUTHOR: Nazarian [D]

TITLE: Long-Term Services and Supports Benefit Task Force

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 02/17/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/12/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Aging and Long-Term Care Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the Department of Aging to establish a Long-Term Services and Supports Benefit Task Force, or utilize an existing board, commission, committee, or task force, to focus on LTSS benefit needs in the State.

STATUS:

04/15/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Assembly Rule 56 suspended.

Commentary001: CSAC supports

**AB 988** 

AUTHOR: Bauer-Kahan [D]

Mental Health: Mobile Crisis Support Teams: 988 Crisis

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: yes

INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Establishes the 988 Crisis Hotline Center, using the digits 988 in compliance with existing federal law and standards governing the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. Requires the Office of Emergency Services to take specified actions to implement the hotline system, including hiring a director with specified experience and designating a 988 crisis hotline center or centers to provide crisis intervention services and crisis care coordination to individuals accessing the 988.

STATUS:

04/29/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Coauthors revised.

Commentary001: Sponsored bill Commentary002:

CSAC has support if amended; need to figure out details. CBDHA in the lead.

**AB 1041** 

AUTHOR: Wicks [D]
TITLE: Leave Issues

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes

INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/22/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Expands the population that an employee can take leave to care for to include any other individual related by blood or whose close association with the

employee is a designated person.

STATUS:

04/26/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Suspend Assembly Rule 96.

04/26/2021 Re-referred to ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

CSAC and coalition opposes

AB 1051 AUTHOR: Bennett [D]

Medi-Cal: Mental Health Services: Foster Youth

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/12/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Makes those provisions for presumptive transfer inapplicable to a foster youth or probation-involved youth placed in a group home community treatment facility, group home, or a short-term residential therapeutic program outside of their county of original jurisdiction, as specified.

STATUS:

04/20/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on HEALTH: Do pass to

Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (15-0)

Commentary001: CSAC supports

AB 1119 AUTHOR: Wicks [D]

TITLE: Employment Discrimination

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

 INTRODUCED:
 02/18/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/21/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Relates to the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (FEHA), which protects the right to seek, obtain, and hold employment without discrimination because of prescribed characteristics. Expands the protected characteristics to include family responsibilities, defined to mean the obligations of an employee to provide direct and ongoing care for a minor child or a care recipient. Defines additional terms for this purpose.

STATUS:

04/21/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

AB 1163 AUTHOR: Nazarian [D]

TITLE: Local Government: Taxation: Prohibition: Groceries

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee

SUMMARY:

Repeals the prohibition on the imposition, increase, levy and collection, or enforcement by a local agency of any tax, fee, or other assessment on groceries, including the requirement that the Department of Tax and Fee Administration cease administering a local sales and use tax.

STATUS:

03/04/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on REVENUE AND TAXATION.

Commentary001:

Sent LOS. Consistent with Platform.

AB 1176 AUTHOR: Garcia E [D]

TITLE: Communications: Universal Broadband Service: Fund

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/18/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/19/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Establishes the California Connect Fund in the State Treasury, subject to the conditions and restrictions applicable to the existing universal service funds. Requires the Public Utilities Commission to develop, implement, and administer the California Connect Program to ensure that high-speed broadband service is available to every household in the state at affordable rates.

04/28/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on COMMUNICATIONS AND

CONVEYANCE: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

(8-3)

Commentary001: CSAC supports

AB 1179 AUTHOR: Carrillo [D]

TITLE: Employer Provided Benefit: Backup Childcare

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires an employer to provide an employee who works in California for the same employer for 30 or more days within a year from the commencement of employment, with up to 60 hours of paid backup childcare benefits, to be accrued and used as provided. Defines backup childcare as childcare provided by a qualified backup childcare provider to the employee's child when the employee's regular childcare provider cannot be utilized.

05/05/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To

Suspense File.

Commentary001:

CSAC Opposes with coalition letter

AB 1204 AUTHOR: Wicks [D]

Hospital Equity Reporting

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/19/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/15/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Adds racial and ethnic groups experiencing disparate health outcomes and socially disadvantaged groups to the definition of vulnerable populations for community benefits reporting purposes. Requires a hospital or medical group to prepare and annually submit an equity report to OSHPD not later than 150 days after its fiscal year ends. Requires an equity report to include, among other things, analyses of access to care and employment disparities and plans for addressing those disparities.

STATUS:

05/05/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To

Suspense File.

AB 1205 AUTHOR: Frazier [D]

TITLE: State Air Resources Board: Elections

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/19/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 03/18/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Natural Resources Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires a certain composition of the Air Resources Board.

STATUS:

03/18/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

03/18/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES with

author's amendments.

03/18/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

AB 1214 AUTHOR: Waldron [R]

Medi-Cal Eligibility

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/19/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/29/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Makes an individual who is incarcerated in a state prison or county jail eligible for the Medi-Cal program for 30 days before the date they are released from that correctional facility.

STATUS:

04/29/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

AB 1225 AUTHOR: Waldron [R]

Dignity for Incarcerated Women Act

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

 INTRODUCED:
 02/19/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/14/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Enacts the Dignity for Incarcerated Women Act. Requires that a woman incarcerated in a state prison receive trauma-informed care and prohibits an incarcerated woman from being placed in solitary confinement for purposes of medical observation.

STATUS:

05/05/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To

Suspense File.

AB 1233 AUTHOR: Waldron [R]

TITLE: State Prisons: Construction and Renovation

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/19/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 03/25/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Public Safety Committee

SUMMARY:

Establishes the Prison Oversight Commission and requires the commission to develop guidelines for the construction of new prisons and renovation of existing prisons.

STATUS:

03/25/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY.

03/25/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY with

author's amendments.

03/25/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY.

AB 1242 AUTHOR: Bauer-Kahan [D]

TITLE: Alcoholic Beverages: Bona Fide Public Eating Place

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

 INTRODUCED:
 02/19/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/28/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Authorizes a bona fide public eating place holding an on-sale general license or a bona fide eating place holding an on-sale license for beer and wine to exercise additional off-sale rights and privileges, subject to specified requirements. Repeals this authorization 2 years after the end of the state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor on March 4, 2020, in response to the Coronavirus pandemic.

STATUS:

04/28/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

AB 1291 AUTHOR: Frazier [D]

State Bodies: Open Meetings

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 02/19/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE

SUMMARY:

Requires a state body, when it limits time for public comment, to provide at least twice the allotted time to a member of the public who utilizes translating technology to address the state body.

STATUS:

04/29/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.

\*\*\*\*\*To SENATE. (77-0)

AB 1302 AUTHOR: Quirk [D]

TITLE: Commercial Cannabis Billboards: Placement Restrictions

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/19/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 03/18/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Prohibits a licensee from advertising or marketing on a billboard or similar advertising device located within a 15-mile radius of the California border on an Interstate Highway or on a State Highway which crosses the California border.

STATUS:

04/27/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on BUSINESS AND

PROFESSIONS: Do pass to Committee on

APPROPRIATIONS. (16-2)

AB 1304 AUTHOR: Santiago [D]

Affirmatively Further Fair Housing: Housing Element

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 02/19/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/05/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: 25

LOCATION: Assembly Second Reading File

SUMMARY:

Clarifies that a local agency has a mandatory duty to comply with the obligation requiring a public agency to administer its programs and activities relating to housing and community development in a manner to affirmatively further fair housing, and to not take any action that is materially inconsistent with this obligation. Requires that the schedule of actions analyze and identify racial integration and segregation patterns and trends within the jurisdiction. **STATUS:** 

05/06/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time. To third reading.

AB 1416 AUTHOR: Santiago [D]

TITLE: Elections: Ballot Label

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

 INTRODUCED:
 02/19/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/22/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Elections Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the ballot label for statewide measures, and, at the option of a county, the ballot label or similar description on the ballot of county, city, district, and school district measures, to include a listing of nonprofit organizations, businesses, or individuals taken from the signers of ballot arguments printed in the voter information guide that support and oppose the measure or from the signers of the rebuttal arguments to the arguments that support and oppose the measure, as specified.

STATUS:

04/29/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on ELECTIONS: Not heard.

Commentary001:

Supv. Mitchoff requests addition to May Leg Com agenda

AB 1447 AUTHOR: Cooley [D]

TITLE: Rural California Infrastructure Act

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/19/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 05/03/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Authorizes the Economic Development Bank, or I-Bank, to establish the Rural California Infrastructure Program for the purpose of making competitive grant awards to eligible local agencies for rural infrastructure projects, as prescribed.

STATUS:

05/03/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended.

Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

CSAC supports

ACA 1 Aguiar-Curry [D]

TITLE: Local Government Financing: Affordable Housing

FISCAL COMMITTEE: NO URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Assembly Local Government Committee

SUMMARY:

Creates an additional exception to the 1% ad valorem tax rate limit on real property that would authorize a city, county, or special district to levy an ad valorem tax to service bonded indebtedness incurred to fund the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of public infrastructure, affordable

housing, or permanent supportive housing, if the proposition proposing the tax is approved by 55% of the voters of the city or county, and the proposition includes accountability requirements.

STATUS:

04/22/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on LOCAL GOVERNMENT and

APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

Library Commission to vote in March about supporting and requesting support letter

AJR 4 AUTHOR: Garcia [D]

Basel Convention: Ratification

INTRODUCED: 01/12/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Environmental Quality Committee

SUMMARY:

Declares California to be in favor of the United States ratification of the Basel Convention at the earliest opportunity and would request the Biden Administration to accomplish this ratification as a matter of urgency.

STATUS:

04/28/2021 Re-referred to SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL

QUALITY.

Commentary001:

LOS sent.

SB 4 AUTHOR: Gonzalez [D]

Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program: Surcharge

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: yes

INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020
LAST AMEND: 04/19/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the Governors Office of Business and Economic Development to coordinate with other relevant state and local agencies and national organizations to explore ways to facilitate streamlining of local land use approvals and construction permit processes for projects related to broadband infrastructure deployment and connectivity. Revises requirements for the deaf and disabled telecommunications program to require the Public Utilities Commission to administer a certain surcharge.

STATUS:

05/03/2021 Withdrawn from SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY.
05/03/2021 Re-referred to SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
05/03/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

Commentary001:

CSAC supports

SB 8 AUTHOR: Skinner [D]

TITLE: Housing Crisis Act

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 12/07/2020

 LAST AMEND:
 05/03/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Limits the requirement to provide relocation benefits and a right of first refusal to only the occupants of protected units that are persons or families of low or moderate income, as defined. Specifies that the requirement to provide relocation benefits and a right of first refusal does not apply to an occupant of a short-term rental that is rented for a period of fewer than 30 days. **STATUS:** 

05/03/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

SB 9 AUTHOR: Atkins [D]

TITLE: Housing Development: Approvals

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

 INTRODUCED:
 12/07/2020

 LAST AMEND:
 04/27/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

COMMITTEE: Senate Appropriations Committee

HEARING: 05/10/2021 10:00 am

SUMMARY:

Requires a proposed housing development containing two residential units within a single-family residential zone to be considered ministerially, without discretionary review or hearing, if the proposed housing development meets certain requirements that the proposed housing development would not require demolition or alteration of housing that is subject to a recorded covenant, ordinance, or law that restricts rents to levels affordable to persons and families of moderate or low income.

STATUS:

04/27/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary002:

Cal Cities recommends Oppose Unless Amended.

Commentary003:

CSAC support if amended; fire zone concerns; clarification of authority in unincorporated areas.

SB 10 AUTHOR: Wiener [D]

TITLE: Planning and Zoning: Housing Development: Density

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 12/07/2020

 LAST AMEND:
 04/27/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

**COMMITTEE:** Senate Appropriations Committee

HEARING: 05/10/2021 10:00 am

SUMMARY:

Authorizes a local government to pass an ordinance to zone any parcel for up to 10 units of residential density per parcel, at a height specified in the ordinance, if the parcel is located in a transit-rich area, a jobs-rich area, or an urban infill

site, as those terms are defined. Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to determine jobs-rich areas and publish a map of those areas on a certain frequency.

STATUS:

04/27/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

SB 16 AUTHOR: Skinner [D]

Peace Officers: Release of Records

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020
LAST AMEND: 04/15/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Makes every incident involving use of force to make a member of the public comply with an officer, force that is unreasonable, or excessive force subject to disclosure. Requires records relating to sustained findings of unlawful arrests and unlawful searches to be subject to disclosure.

STATUS:

05/03/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

Commentary001:

CSAC says take a look at

SB 17 AUTHOR: Pan [D]

TITLE: Office Of Racial Equity

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes

 INTRODUCED:
 12/07/2020

 LAST AMEND:
 04/15/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Establishes in state government an Office of Racial Equity, an independent public entity not affiliated with an agency or department, that shall be governed by a Racial Equity Advisory and Accountability Council. Requires the Governor to direct the Secretary of each state agency to adopt and implement the Racial Equity Framework through each agencies' Racial Equity Action Plan, which would be adopted by each state agency and integrated into the agency's strategic plan.

STATUS:

05/03/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

SB 20 AUTHOR: Dodd [D]

TITLE: Student Nutrition: Eligibility for CalFresh Benefits

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 12/07/2020

 LAST AMEND:
 03/17/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the Student Aid Commission, to the extent that it possesses pertinent information, to provide written notice to students who qualify for a waiver of the community college enrollment fee that they qualify, or may qualify, for benefits under the CalFresh program.

STATUS:

04/05/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

Bos: Watch

SB 28 AUTHOR: Caballero [D]

TITLE: Rural Broadband and Digital Infrastructure

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

 INTRODUCED:
 12/07/2020

 LAST AMEND:
 05/04/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

COMMITTEE: Senate Appropriations Committee

HEARING: 05/10/2021 10:00 am

SUMMARY:

Creates the Rural Broadband and Digital Infrastructure Video Competition Reform Act. Requires the Department of Technology to compile an inventory of state-owned resources that may be available for use in the deployment of broadband networks in rural, unserved, and underserved communities. Prohibits a video service franchise holder from denying access to service to any group of potential residential subscribers regardless of income.

05/04/2021 From SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS with author's

amendments.

05/04/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

Geoff watching. Members frustrated with ISBs.

SB 55 AUTHOR: Stern [D]

Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone: Development

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

 INTRODUCED:
 12/07/2020

 LAST AMEND:
 04/05/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Senate Governance and Finance Committee

SUMMARY:

Prohibits the creation or approval of a new development, as defined, in a very high fire hazard severity zone or a state responsibility area unless there is substantial evidence that the local agency has adopted a comprehensive, necessary, and appropriate wildfire prevention and community hardening strategy to mitigate significant risks of loss, injury, or death, as specified. **STATUS**:

04/15/2021 In SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE:

Heard, remains in Committee.

Commentary001:

two-year bill

SB 73 AUTHOR: Wiener [D]

TITLE: Probation: Eligibility: Crimes Controlled Substances

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 12/10/2020
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY

SUMMARY:

Deletes various crimes relating to controlled substances, including, but not limited to, possessing or agreeing to sell or transport opiates or opium derivatives, from those prohibitions against granting probation or a suspended sentence. Authorizes the remaining prohibitions on probation to be waived by a court in the interests of justice.

STATUS:

04/12/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To

ASSEMBLY. (25-10)

Commentary001:

https://www.sfchronicle.com/politics/article/Jail-time-for-nonviolent-drug-crime s-in-15804570.php

SB 90 AUTHOR: Stern [D]

TITLE: Elections: Ballot Label

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 12/16/2020
LAST AMEND: 04/19/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the ballot label for statewide measures to include a listing of the signers of ballot arguments printed in the state voter information guide that support and oppose the measure or the signers of the rebuttal arguments to the arguments that support and oppose the measure. Requires the signers of the ballot arguments to submit the lists of supporters and opponents to the Secretary of State and requires the Secretary of State to provide those lists to county elections officials as part of the label.

04/26/2021 In SENATE Committee on ELECTIONS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS: Not heard.

Commentary001:

Supv. Mitchoff requested add to Leg Com for May

SB 91 AUTHOR: Budget and Fiscal Review Cmt

TITLE: COVID-19 Relief: Tenancy: Federal Rental Assistance

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 12/16/2020
ENACTED: 01/29/2021
DISPOSITION: Enacted
LOCATION: Chaptered
CHAPTER: 2021-002

#### SUMMARY:

Extends the imposition of additional damages, if a tenant has provided a declaration of COVID-19 financial distress, on a landlord who violates the prohibition from interrupting or terminating utility service furnished to a tenant with the intent to terminate the occupancy of the tenant. Relates to the evaluation of tenants using an alleged COVID-19 rental debt. Extends the prohibition from bringing an action for unlawful detainer based on a cause of action other than nonpayment of COVID-19 rent. STATUS:

01/29/2021 Signed by GOVERNOR.

01/29/2021 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 2021-002

SB 99 AUTHOR: Dodd [D]

TITLE: Community Energy Resilience Act of 2021

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 12/28/2020
LAST AMEND: 04/12/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to develop and implement a grant program for local governments to develop community energy resilience plans and expedite permit review of distributed energy resources.

STATUS:

05/03/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

Commentary001: CSAC supports

SB 107 AUTHOR: Wiener [D]

TITLE: CalFresh
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no

INTRODUCED: 01/05/2021
LAST AMEND: 02/18/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: 11

LOCATION: Senate Third Reading File

SUMMARY:

Requires the State Department of Social Services, in order to increase client access and retention within CalFresh, to participate in the Elderly Simplified Application Project, a demonstration project operated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service. Requires the department to develop a CalFresh user-centered application for seniors 60 years of age or older and for people with disabilities who are eligible to be enrolled in the Elderly Simplified Application Project.

STATUS:

03/23/2021 In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.

Commentary001:

Sending LOS; consistent with Platform.

sos: Support

SB 110 AUTHOR: Wiener [D]

Substance Use Disorder Services: Contingency Management

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 01/06/2021 LAST AMEND: 03/15/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

COMMITTEE: Senate Appropriations Committee

HEARING: 05/10/2021 10:00 am

SUMMARY:

Expands substance use disorder services to include contingency management services, as specified, subject to utilization controls. Requires the Department of Health Care Services to issue guidance and training to providers on their use of contingency management services for Medi-Cal beneficiaries who access substance use disorder services under any Medi-Cal delivery system, including the Drug Medi-Cal Treatment Program and the Drug Medi-Cal organized delivery system.

STATUS:

04/21/2021 From SENATE Committee on HEALTH: Do pass to

Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (10-0)

SB 219 AUTHOR: McGuire [D]

TITLE: Property Tax: Delinquent Penalty Cost: Health Orders

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: yes

INTRODUCED: 01/12/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY

SUMMARY:

Authorizes the auditor or the tax collector to cancel any penalty, costs, or other charges resulting from tax delinquency upon a finding that failure to make a timely payment is due to a documented hardship, as determined by the tax collector, arising from a shelter-in-place order, as defined, if the principal payment for the proper amount of tax due is paid no later than June 30 of the fiscal year in which the payment first became delinquent.

STATUS:

03/25/2021 In SENATE. Read third time, urgency clause adopted.

Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To ASSEMBLY. (38-0)

Commentary001:

Send to Bob and Rusty

SB 222 AUTHOR: Dodd [D]

TITLE: Water Rate Assistance Program

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

 INTRODUCED:
 01/14/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 05/03/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Establishes the Water Rate Assistance Fund in the State Treasury to help provide water affordability assistance, for both drinking water and wastewater

services, to low-income ratepayers and ratepayers experiencing economic hardship in California.

STATUS:

05/03/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

https://thentherescalifornia.libsyn.com/senator-bill-dodd-sb-222-sb-223-water-

equity-accessibility

Bos: Watch

SB 223 AUTHOR: Dodd [D]

TITLE: Discontinuation of Residential Water Service

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

INTRODUCED: 01/14/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/03/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Revises the conditions under which urban and community water systems and very small community water systems are prohibited from discontinuing residential service for nonpayment. Prohibits these systems from discontinuing residential service for nonpayment during a state or local emergency.

05/03/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

https://thentherescalifornia.libsyn.com/senator-bill-dodd-sb-222-sb-223-water-equity-accessibility

SB 234 AUTHOR: Wiener [D]

TITLE: Transition Aged Youth Housing Program

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 01/19/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/26/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Establishes the Transition Aged Youth Housing Program for the purpose of creating housing for transition aged youth under 26 years of age, who have been removed from their homes, are experiencing homelessness unaccompanied by a parent or legal guardian, or are under the jurisdiction of a court, as specified, and would require the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to develop implement, and administer the program.

Council to develop, implement, and administer the program. **STATUS**:

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05/03/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

SB 261 AUTHOR: Allen [D]

TITLE: Regional Transportation Plans: Sustainable Communities

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 01/27/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Transportation Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires that the sustainable communities strategy be developed to additionally achieve greenhouse gas emission reduction targets for the automobile and light truck sector for 2045 and 2050 and vehicle miles traveled reduction targets for 2035, 2045, and 2050 established by the State Air Resources Board.

03/15/2021 From SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY:

Do pass to Committee on TRANSPORTATION. (5-2)

Commentary001:

CSAC opposes with UCC, RCRC

SB 270 AUTHOR: Durazo [D]

Public Employment: Labor Relations: Employee Data

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

INTRODUCED: 01/28/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/15/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Authorizes an exclusive representative to file a charge of an unfair labor practice with the Public Employment Relations Board, as specified, alleging a violation of the specified requirements only if specified conditions are met, including that the exclusive representative gives written notice of the alleged violation and that the public employer fails to cure the violation, as specified. STATUS:

05/03/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

SB 271 AUTHOR: Wiener [D]

TITLE: County Sheriffs: Eligibility Requirements

FISCAL COMMITTEE: NO URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 01/28/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

COMMITTEE: Senate Governance and Finance Committee

HEARING: 05/06/2021

SUMMARY:

Repeals specified eligibility requirements for county sheriffs. Allows all eligible voters to run for the office of Sheriff.

STATUS:

03/16/2021 From SENATE Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY: Do pass to

Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE. (4-1)

SB 278 AUTHOR: Leyva [D]

TITLE: PERS: Disallowed Compensation: Benefit Adjustments

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 01/29/2021 LAST AMEND: 03/23/2021

**DISPOSITION**: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Establishes new procedures under Public Employees' Retirement Law for cases in which Public Employees' Retirement System determines that the benefits of a member or annuitant are, or would be, based on disallowed compensation that conflicts with State Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 and other specified laws and thus impermissible under Public Employees' Retirement Law. STATUS:

04/19/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File

Commentary001:

CSAC and coalition opposes

SB 286 AUTHOR: Min [D]

TITLE: Elections: County Officers: Consolidation

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

INTRODUCED: 02/01/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee

SUMMARY:

Relates to existing Law that requires a candidate for a nonpartisan office who at a primary election receives votes on a majority of all the ballots cast for candidates for that office to be elected to that office. Exempts from that requirement candidates for county nonpartisan offices, including a county office in a charter county, but not including a charter city and county.

STATUS:

02/22/2021 In SENATE. Article IV. Section 8(a) of the Constitution

dispensed with.

02/22/2021 In SENATE. Joint Rule 55 suspended.

Commentary001:

CSAC and UCC oppose

SB 395 AUTHOR: Caballero [D]

TITLE: Healthy Outcomes and Prevention Education Act: Tax

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/11/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 05/03/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Establishes the Health Careers Opportunity Grant Program under the administration of the Health Professions Education Foundation for the purpose of improving access by underrepresented students from disadvantaged backgrounds to health profession programs offered by the state's public postsecondary education institutions. Imposes an additional tax for the privilege of selling electronic cigarettes at retail of an unspecified percentage of the gross receipts from the sale of electronic cigarettes.

05/03/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

CSAC supports in concept; lots to be worked out.

SB 410 AUTHOR: Leyva [D]

TITLE: Department of Industrial Relations

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 02/12/2021
LAST AMEND: 03/03/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: 33

LOCATION: Senate Third Reading File

SUMMARY:

Exempts any occupational safety and health standard and order from the standardized regulatory impact analysis requirement.

STATUS:

05/05/2021 In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.

Commentary001:

CSAC opposes with coalition

SB 443 AUTHOR: Hertzberg [D]

TITLE: Elections: Redistricting

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 02/16/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/27/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

COMMITTEE: Senate Appropriations Committee

HEARING: 05/10/2021 10:00 am

SUMMARY:

Requires initiative and referendum measures to appear in the order in which they qualify for the ballot.

STATUS:

04/27/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001: CSAC to oppose

SB 465 AUTHOR: Eggman [D]

TITLE: Mental Health

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/16/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/26/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

COMMITTEE: Senate Appropriations Committee

HEARING: 05/10/2021 10:00 am

SUMMARY:

Makes substantial impairment in the required areas or being at risk of removal from the home or having been removed from the home separate criteria for determining serious emotional disturbance. Makes an appropriation by expanding the target population for which continuously appropriated MHSA moneys may be spent.

STATUS:

04/26/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

SB 493 AUTHOR: Bradford [D]

TITLE: Local Government Financing: Juvenile Justice

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/17/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 03/23/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires no less than 95% of the funds allocated under these provisions to be distributed to community-based organizations and other public agencies or departments that are not law enforcement entities, as specified, and prohibits this portion of the funds from being used for law enforcement activities or personnel.

STATUS:

05/03/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

Commentary002: CSAC OPPOSED

SB 504 AUTHOR: Becker [D]

TITLE: Elections: Voter Registration

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 02/17/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires a county elections official to make conditional voter registration available to military and overseas voters via a certified remote accessible vote by mail system.

STATUS:

05/03/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

Commentary001:

CSAC supports

SB 515 AUTHOR: Pan [D]

TITLE: Long-Term Services and Supports Benefit Task Force

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/17/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/12/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Senate Human Services Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the Department of Aging to establish an Long-Term Services and Supports Benefit Task Force, or utilize an existing board, commission, committee, or task force, to focus on LTSS benefit needs in the State.

STATUS:

04/20/2021 In SENATE Committee on HUMAN SERVICES: Not heard. Commentary001:

**CSAC** supports

SB 516 AUTHOR: Eggman [D]

TITLE: Certification for Intensive Treatment: Review Hearing

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/17/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/08/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

 FILE:
 37

LOCATION: Senate Third Reading File

SUMMARY:

Authorizes the evidence considered in the certification review hearing for specified intensive treatment of a person placed on a 72-hour hold to include information on the persons medical condition and how that condition bears on certifying the person as a danger to themselves or to others or as gravely disabled. Requires that if the person needs continuing medical treatment after the termination of the involuntary detention, they must be informed that continuing medical treatment is recommended.

STATUS:

05/05/2021 In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.

Commentary001:

CBHDA has Oppose

SB 555 AUTHOR: McGuire [D]

TITLE: Local Agencies: Transient Occupancy Taxes: Online

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/12/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Authorizes a local agency, defined to mean a city, county, or city and county, including a charter city, county, or city and county, to enact an ordinance exclusively delegating its authority to collect any transient occupancy tax imposed by that local agency on short-term rentals to the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration and to enter into a contract with the department for purposes of registration, rate posting, collection, and transmission of revenues.

STATUS:

05/03/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

SB 556 AUTHOR: Dodd [D]

TITLE: Street Light Poles, Traffic Signal Poles, Utility Poles

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021 LAST AMEND: 05/04/2021

DISPOSITION: Pending

COMMITTEE: Senate Appropriations Committee

HEARING: 05/10/2021 10:00 am

SUMMARY:

Prohibits a local government or local publicly owned electric utility from unreasonably denying the leasing or licensing of its street light poles or traffic signal poles to communications service providers for the purpose of placing small wireless facilities on those poles.

STATUS:

05/04/2021 From SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS with author's

amendments.

05/04/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

CSAC has concerns; no formal position yet.

SB 557 AUTHOR: Wieckowski [D]

TITLE: Hazardous Waste: Treated Wood Waste

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Defines the term treated wood and would require treated wood waste, as defined, to be disposed of in either a class I hazardous waste landfill or in a composite-lined portion of a solid waste landfill unit that meets specified requirements.

STATUS:

04/19/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

SB 586 AUTHOR: Bradford [D]

TITLE: Criminal Fees

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Repeals the authority to collect most of these criminal fees, among others. Makes the unpaid balance of most court-imposed costs unenforceable and uncollectible and would require any portion of a judgment imposing those costs to be vacated.

STATUS:

05/03/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

Commentary002:

CSAC/RCRC/UCC sent concerns letter

SB 594 AUTHOR: Glazer [D]

TITLE: Elections: Local Redistricting

FISCAL COMMITTEE: no.

URGENCY CLAUSE: Yes

 INTRODUCED:
 02/18/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 05/03/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

**COMMITTEE:** Senate Governance and Finance Committee

HEARING: 05/06/2021

SUMMARY:

Clarifies that adopting district boundaries for certain purposes means the passage of an ordinance or resolution specifying those boundaries. Authorizes, expressly, a county board of supervisors to adopt supervisorial district boundaries by ordinance or resolution. Clarifies that a superior court's order adopting district boundaries is immediately effective and has the same force and effect as an enacted ordinance or resolution of the legislative body.

05/03/2021 From SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE

with author's amendments.

05/03/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.

SB 606 AUTHOR: Gonzalez [D]

Workplace Safety Violations: Employer Retaliation

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/18/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/08/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Creates a rebuttable presumption that a violation committed by an employer that has multiple worksites is enterprise-wide in certain circumstances. Authorizes the Division of Occupational Safety and Health to issue a citation if the employer fails to rebut such presumption. Requires each employee exposed to the violation to be considered a separate violation for the issuance of fines and penalties. Establishes that an employer's actions are presumed retaliatory in certain situations.

STATUS:

04/19/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

Commentary001:

CSAC Opposes

SB 612 AUTHOR: Portantino [D]

TITLE: Electrical Corporations and Other Load-serving Entities

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/04/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires an electrical corporation to annually offer, for the following year, an allocation of each product, as defined, arising from legacy resources, as defined, to its bundled customers and to other load-serving entities, defined to include

electric service providers and community choice aggregators, serving departing-load customers, as defined, who bear cost responsibility for those resources.

STATUS:

05/04/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Bos: Support

SB 617 AUTHOR: Wiener [D]

Residential Solar Energy Systems: Permitting

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes urgency clause: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/18/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 05/04/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires every city and county to implement an online, automated permitting platform that verifies code compliance and instantaneously issues permits for a solar energy system and an energy storage system meeting certain requirements paired with a solar energy system, as specified. Requires a city or county to amend a certain ordinance to authorize a residential solar energy system and an energy storage system to use the platform. Prescribes a compliance schedule for satisfying these requirements.

05/04/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

Commentary001:

Supv. Mitchoff requests adding to May Leg Com agenda

SB 619 AUTHOR: Laird [D]

TITLE: Organic Waste: Reduction Regulations

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

 INTRODUCED:
 02/18/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 04/13/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery to only impose a penalty on a local jurisdiction, and requires a penalty to only accrue, for a violation of the regulations if the local jurisdiction did not make a reasonable effort, as determined by the department, to comply with the regulations. **STATUS:** 

04/29/2021 From SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY:

Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (7-0)

Commentary002:

Not an active position for CSAC

SB 712 AUTHOR: Hueso [D]

TITLE: Local Government: California Tribes

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: no

 INTRODUCED:
 02/19/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 05/04/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

**COMMITTEE:** Senate Appropriations Committee

HEARING: 05/10/2021 10:00 am

SUMMARY:

Encourages state and local governments to work cooperatively with tribes in their fee-to-trust applications for purposes of regaining ancestral lands, and to support tribes in their nongaming fee-to-trust applications. Prohibits local governments from adopting or enforcing a resolution or ordinance that would prevent the local government from conducting a fair evaluation of a fee-to-trust application by a federally recognized tribe based on the merits of the application.

STATUS:

05/04/2021 From SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS with author's

amendments.

05/04/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred

to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

SB 749 AUTHOR: Glazer [D]

Mental Health Program Oversight: County Reporting

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 02/19/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Requires the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission to create a comprehensive tracking program for county spending on mental and behavioral health programs and services, as specified, including funding sources, funding utilization, and outcome data at the program, service, and statewide levels.

STATUS:

04/19/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

SB 782 AUTHOR: Glazer [D]

TITLE: Assisted Outpatient Treatment Programs

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

 INTRODUCED:
 02/19/2021

 LAST AMEND:
 05/05/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Pending

FILE: 2

LOCATION: Senate Second Reading File

SUMMARY:

Authorizes the filing of a petition to obtain assisted outpatient treatment under the existing petition procedures, for a conservatee or former conservatee, as specified, who would benefit from assisted outpatient treatment to reduce the risk of deteriorating mental health while living independently.

STATUS:

05/06/2021 In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.

SB 784 AUTHOR: Glazer [D]

TITLE: State Government: Emergency Services: Nonprofit Service

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 02/19/2021
LAST AMEND: 03/16/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY

SUMMARY:

Authorizes a nonprofit entity that provides services pursuant to a contract with the state, during a state of war emergency or a state of emergency, to adjust the method in which it provides those services so long as the purpose of the contract is served. Requires the nonprofit entity to notify all departments from which it receives funding of a closure or of an impacted program, including whether a closure is location specific or due to executive order. STATUS:

04/22/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To

ASSEMBLY. (38-0)

SB 788 AUTHOR: Bradford [D]

TITLE: Workers' Compensation: Risk Factors

FISCAL COMMITTEE: NO URGENCY CLAUSE: NO

INTRODUCED: 02/19/2021 DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee

SUMMARY:

Prohibits consideration of race, religious creed, color, national origin, age, gender, marital status, sex, sexual identity, sexual orientation, or genetic characteristics to determine the approximate percentage of the permanent disability caused by other factors. Expresses the Legislature's intent to eliminate bias and discrimination in the workers' compensation system.

STATUS:

04/19/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense

File.

Commentary001:

CSAC supports if amended

SCR 17 AUTHOR: Leyva [D]

Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

 INTRODUCED:
 02/24/2021

 ENACTED:
 04/30/2021

 DISPOSITION:
 Adopted

 LOCATION:
 Chaptered

 CHAPTER:
 2021-21

SUMMARY:

Declares March 21, 2021, as the International Day for the Elimination of Racial

Discrimination.

STATUS:

04/30/2021 Chaptered by Secretary of State.

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### Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors

### Subcommittee Report

#### LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

**5.** 

**Meeting Date:** 05/10/2021

**Subject:** SB 10 (Wiener) Planning and Zoning: Housing Development: Density

**Submitted For:** LEGISLATION COMMITTEE,

**<u>Department:</u>** County Administrator

**Referral No.:** 2021-15

**Referral Name:** SB 10 (Wiener)

Presenter: L. DeLaney Contact: L. DeLaney, 925-655-2057

#### **Referral History:**

At the April 12, 2021 meeting of the Legislation Committee, Vice Chair Mitchoff requested that SB 10 (Wiener) be returned to the Committee for reconsideration.

#### **Referral Update:**

**SB 10:** The bill text can be found <u>here</u>.

Author: Scott D. Wiener (D-011)

Coauthor Caballero (D), Atkins (D), Rivas R (D)

Title: Planning and Zoning: Housing Development: Density

Fiscal yes

**Committee:** 

Urgency no

Clause:

Introduced: 12/07/2020 Last 04/27/2021

Amend:

**Disposition:** Pending

**Committee:** Senate Appropriations Committee

**Hearing:** 05/10/2021 10:00 am, John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)

Summary: Authorizes a local government to pass an ordinance to zone any parcel for up to

10 units of residential density per parcel, at a height specified in the ordinance, if the parcel is located in a transit-rich area, a jobs-rich area, or an urban infill site, as those terms are defined. Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to determine jobs-rich areas and publish a map of those areas on a

certain frequency.

#### 2021 CAS 10: Bill Analysis - 04/20/2021 - Senate Governance and Finance Committee

SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE Senator Mike McGuire, Chair 2021 - 2022 Regular

Bill No: SB 10 Hearing Date: 4/22/21 Author: Wiener Tax Levy: No Version: 4/13/21 Amended

Fiscal: Yes Consultant: Favorini-Csorba

Planning and zoning: housing development: density

Allows a local legislative body to upzone specified parcels for up to 10 units per parcel.

Background

Planning and approving new housing is mainly a local responsibility. The California Constitution allows cities and counties to "make and enforce within its limits, all local, police, sanitary and other ordinances and regulations not in conflict with general laws." It is from this fundamental power (commonly called the police power) that cities and counties derive their authority to regulate behavior to preserve the health, safety, and welfare of the public--including land use authority.

Planning and Zoning Law. State law provides additional powers and duties for cities and counties regarding land use. The Planning and Zoning Law requires every county and city to adopt a general plan that sets out planned uses for all of the area covered by the plan. A general plan must include specified mandatory "elements," including a housing element that establishes the locations and densities of housing, among other requirements. Cities' and counties' major land use decisions--including most zoning ordinances and other aspects of development permitting--must be consistent with their general plans. The Planning and Zoning Law also establishes a planning agency in each city and county, which may be a separate planning commission, administrative body, or the legislative body of the city or county itself. Cities and counties must provide a path to appeal a decision to the planning commission and/or the city council or county board of supervisors.

Zoning and approval processes. Local governments use their police power to enact zoning ordinances that establish the types of land uses that are allowed or authorized in an area. Zoning often identifies a primary use for parcels in the area, as well as other uses that are allowed if they meet conditions imposed by the local government. Zoning ordinances also contain provisions to physically shape development and impose other requirements, such as setting maximum heights and densities for housing units, minimum numbers of required parking spaces, setbacks, and lot coverage ratios. These ordinances can also include conditions on development to address aesthetics, community impacts, or other particular site-specific considerations.

Some housing projects can be permitted by city or county planning staff "ministerially" or without further approval from elected officials. Projects reviewed ministerially require only an administrative review designed to ensure they are consistent with existing general plan and zoning rules, as well as meet standards for building quality, health, and safety. Most large housing projects are not allowed ministerial review. Instead, these projects are vetted through both public hearings and administrative review, including design review and appeals processes.

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires public agencies to analyze and, where feasible, mitigate significant effects on the environment from a proposed "project." Most zoning ordinances are considered "projects" under CEQA, and most individual housing

development projects that require discretionary review and approval are also subject to CEQA. CEQA does not apply to projects permitted ministerially.

Local initiative power. The California Constitution also provides that all political power is inherent in the people, and that the initiative is the power of electors to propose statutes and amendments to the Constitution and to adopt or reject them. Statewide initiatives require majority voter approval (Article II, Section 10). The Constitution also allows initiative and referendum powers to be exercised by the electors of each city or county under procedures developed by the Legislature. Charter cities and charter counties may adopt alternative procedures for initiatives.

HOAs. The Davis-Stirling Common Interest Development Act governs the management and operation of common interest developments (CIDs). CIDs (often colloquially referred to as Homeowners Associations, or HOAs, after the entity that governs them) are self-governing forms of real estate in which each homeowner has an exclusive ownership in a unit and a shared stake in common areas and amenities. HOAs come in a wide variety of physical formats: condominium complexes, apartment buildings, and neighborhoods of detached, single-family residences, for example. The owners of the separate properties within the common interest development are the members of it. Each member is subject to the covenants, conditions, and restrictions that govern the development, as well as annual assessments that pay for communal expenses. Units within common housing developments currently account for approximately a quarter of the state's overall housing stock, meaning that the laws governing such development have a large impact on the population.

In addition to the requirements of the Act, each CID is governed according to the recorded declarations, bylaws, and operating rules of the association, collectively referred to as the governing documents. HOAs often impose restrictions on the use of property within the CID, ranging from aesthetic requirements to structural modifications and beyond. However, the Act voids any governing documents and covenants that effectively prohibit or unreasonably restrict various types of activities or improvements, including accessory dwelling units, electric vehicle charging stations, solar panels, and others. However, HOAs can impose reasonable restrictions on these types of improvements that don't make it too difficult to construct them.

California's housing challenges. California faces a severe housing shortage. In its most recent statewide housing assessment, HCD estimated that California needs to build an additional 100,000 units per year above recent averages of 80,000 units per year to meet the projected need for housing in the state. Prior to the onset of COVID-19, California was building approximately 100,000 to 115,000 units a year in recent years, but many analysts expect homebuilding activity to drop.

A variety of causes have contributed to the state's lack of housing production. Recent reports by the Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) and others point to local approval processes as a major factor. They argue that local governments control most of the decisions about where, when, and how to build new housing, and those governments are quick to respond to vocal community members who may not want new neighbors. The building industry also points to CEQA review, and housing advocates note a lack of a dedicated source of funds for affordable housing.

This shortage has driven up housing prices and resulted in overcrowding within existing homes. According to a January 2020 report by the Public Policy Institute of California, "the share of Californians with excessive housing costs is quite high: 38 percent of mortgaged homeowners and 55 percent of renters spend more than 30 percent of their total household income on housing,

compared with 28 percent and 50 percent nationwide.... California's rate of overcrowding--the share of housing units with more than one resident per room--was 8.3 percent in 2018, well above the national rate of 3.4 percent. Overcrowding is especially high for rental units: at 13.4 percent, it is more than twice the national rate and the highest in the nation."

COVID-19 effect on housing. The COVID-19 pandemic has only exacerbated California's housing challenges. According to the California Association of Realtors' January 2021 home sales and price report, the median home price in California jumped by almost 22 percent from January 2020 to January 2021, in part due to reluctance of sellers to list homes during the pandemic. At the same time, as many Californians became unemployed due to the pandemic, more individuals at risk of homelessness have fallen into homelessness. The Legislative Analyst's Office notes in a January 2021 post, "Even before the pandemic, the high cost of housing in California placed renter households in a precarious position, particularly the 1.5 million low-income households who pay at least half of their income in rent. A pandemic-induced job loss adds further financial stress to these households. Due to the composition of the industries and occupations most affected by public health restrictions and declining economic activity, renter households have faced higher rates of job loss during the pandemic because job losses have been concentrated among lower-wage workers who are much more likely to rent than higher-wage workers."

The author wants to increase the number of units that can be permitted in residential areas.

Proposed Law

Senate Bill 10 allows a local government to adopt an ordinance to zone a parcel for up to 10 units of residential density per parcel if the parcel is located in any of the following areas:

- \* A transit-rich area, defined to be a parcel within one-half mile of a major transit stop or a parcel on a high-quality bus corridor that meets certain conditions for the frequency of service;
- \* A jobs-rich area, which is an area identified by the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) as being both associated with positive educational and economic outcomes for households of all incomes and close to jobs, as defined. HCD must develop a map of jobs-rich areas by January 1, 2023 based off specified existing maps developed by HCD, and updated them every five years; or
- \* An urban infill site, meaning a site that is a legal parcel that:
- \* Is located in an urbanized area or urban cluster, as defined by the United States Census Bureau, or in a city where any part of the city is an urbanized area or urban cluster;
- \* Has at least 75 percent of its perimeter adjoining parcels that are developed with urban uses; and
- \* Has a general plan or zoning designation for residential use or mixed use.

SB 10 grants this authority to local legislative bodies regardless of any local restrictions on adopting zoning ordinances enacted by the jurisdiction, and provides that an ordinance, resolution, or other local regulation, including general plan amendments, to effectuate the bill is not a project for the purposes of CEQA.

SB 10 also voids any covenant, restriction, or condition affecting the sale of any interest in a CID, and any provision of a CID governing document, that effectively prohibits or unreasonably

restricts a use or density authorized by an ordinance adopted under the bill. The bill says that it doesn't apply to restrictions that do not make infeasible a development authorized by an SB 10 ordinance.

SB 10 doesn't apply to parcels located within a High Fire Hazard Severity Zone or Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ), but does apply to parcels if they have been excluded from those zones by a local agency or if the site has adopted mitigation measures required by the building code or state law.

To use SB 10's authority, a local legislative body must comply with the following requirements:

- \* The zoning ordinance must include a declaration that it is adopted using the authority in this bill.
- \* The zoning ordinance must clearly demarcate the areas that are zoned using the authority in this bill.
- \* The legislative body must make a finding that the increased density authorized by the ordinance is consistent with the city or county's obligation to affirmatively further fair housing under existing law.

Additionally, a legislative body that upzones a parcel using SB 10 cannot subsequently reduce the density on the parcel.

SB 10 defines its terms and includes findings and declarations to support its purposes.

State Revenue Impact

No estimate.

#### Comments

- 1. Purpose of the bill. According to the author, "California's massive housing shortage is driving people into poverty and homelessness and threatening our environment, economy, and diversity. SB 10 provides cities with a powerful, fast, and effective tool to allow light-touch density exactly where it should be: near jobs, near public transportation, and in existing urbanized areas. Specifically, SB 10 allows cities, if they choose, to rezone these non-sprawl location for up to ten-unit buildings in a streamlined way without CEQA. Given that cities face significantly increased housing production goals under the revised Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) and are required by the state Housing Element Law to complete rezonings to accommodate these goals, SB 10 is a powerful new tool for cities to use in their comprehensive planning efforts. SB 10 will help ease California's housing crisis, spurred by a statewide shortage of 3.5 million homes, and move the state away from a sprawl-based housing policy and toward a more sustainable, equitable, and effective housing policy."
- 2. Local officials know best? In 1911, California voters amended the Constitution to provide voters the power to enact initiatives and referenda. The voter initiative is a 'reserved power;' it is not a right granted to them, but a power reserved by them. As such, the power of initiative is integral to California's political process. One common way the initiative power is used is to adopt urban growth boundaries or other growth management ordinances. Voters adopt these measures for a variety of reasons, some more noble than others. For example, some are adopted out of environmental concerns, such as preventing sprawl or reducing pressure to convert agricultural land to urban uses, while others are intended to block new neighbors from moving in. SB 10

allows local officials to adopt zoning that allows up to 10 units on a parcel, even if local voters have said they don't want it. In the same vein, SB 10 also voids some CID restrictions and governing documents, which are contracts willingly entered into by individuals. Should politicians be able to override the preferences of local voters and of homeowners that willingly enter into contracts that restrict the use of their property?

- 3. Who speaks for the trees? Although the current prevailing wisdom in land use scholarship is that local governments are not permissive enough towards new housing, it wasn't that long ago that city and county officials were assumed to be too willing to permit development--and trash the environment in doing so. SB 10 allows city councils and boards of supervisors to override local growth management ordinances that were put in place in part to rein in past abuses. In fact, the bill goes further by exempting local agencies from complying with CEQA as they adopt zoning ordinances, meaning they won't be compelled to analyze the environmental impacts of their decisions. If a local government adopts an SB 10 ordinance that allows ministerial approval of projects, local officials could permit development that receives no environmental review at any level. With that said, SB 10 is limited to areas that are either jobs-rich, transit-rich, or infill, so residential development is likely to have been contemplated for these areas. Will local officials use SB 10 in ways that undermine other state priorities in order to build housing?
- 4. Location, location, location. SB 10 allows local governments to upzone in some areas of the state that Californians have traditionally considered to be worthy of protection. In particular:
- \* California voters adopted the Coastal Act of 1976, which regulates development in the coastal zone to protect coastal resources and ensure coastal access. SB 10 applies to parcels in the coastal zone. However, SB 10 provides a safeguard by stating that nothing in the bill can be construed to supersede or in any way alter or lessen the effect or application of the Coastal Act.
- \* SB 10 borrows from an existing prohibition on developing in the Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ). However, that prohibition allows development if the project meets state fire mitigation requirements, so SB 10's provisions are not a blanket ban on the use of the bill's authority in these areas.
- \* SB 10's transit-rich and jobs-rich provisions apply to both infill and greenfield parcels, as long as they meet the other requirements in the bill.

Some previous legislation in the housing production space, such as SB 50 (Wiener, 2019), excluded these areas from some parts of the bill. On the other hand, SB 50 allowed for much larger developments that have the potential for larger impacts in these areas. Furthermore, automatically excluding parcels in these areas at the state level would reduce the overall housing production that is likely to result from the bill. Finally, the authority in SB 10 is voluntarily exercised by local officials, who may be best positioned to evaluate any potential harms of upzoning in their own jurisdictions. The Committee may wish to consider the manner in which SB 10 balances the need for housing production against concerns about sensitive areas.

5. Let's get technical. SB 10 prohibits the use of the bill in the VHFHSZ, but allows it to be used in those areas under certain conditions, including if the local agency has excluded an area from the VHFHSZ. However, the Legislature repealed the ability of locals to remove areas from the VHFHSZ in 2018 (SB 1260, Jackson). The Committee may wish to amend SB 10 to strike the provision that refers to this repealed ability, as follows:

- \* On page 4, line 18, strike, "parcels excluded from the specified hazard zones" and strike line 19.
- 6. Charter city. The California Constitution allows cities that adopt charters to control their own "municipal affairs." In all other matters, charter cities must follow the general, statewide laws. Because the Constitution doesn't define "municipal affairs," the courts determine whether a topic is a municipal affair or whether it's an issue of statewide concern. SB 10 says that its statutory provisions apply to charter cities. To support this assertion, the bill includes a legislative finding that it ensuring access to affordable housing is a matter of statewide concern.
- 7. Incoming! The Senate Housing Committee approved SB 10 at its March 18th meeting on a vote of 7-1. The Senate Governance and Finance Committee is hearing SB 10 as the committee of second reference. The Senate Rules Committee also ordered a third referral of SB 10 to the Senate Environmental Quality Committee. However, due to the ongoing health and safety risks of the COVID-19 virus, the referral to Environmental Quality was rescinded.
- 8. Related legislation. SB 902 (Wiener, 2020) was substantially similar to SB 10. SB 902 was referred to the Senate Governance and Finance Committee, but that referral was rescinded due to the COVID-19 pandemic. SB 902 died in the Assembly Appropriations Committee.
- SB 10 is part of the Senate's housing package, along with the following bills:
- \* SB 5 (Atkins), which authorizes the issuance of \$6.5 billion in general obligation bonds intended to finance housing-related programs that serve the homeless and extremely low income and very low income Californians. SB 5 is currently pending in the Senate Housing Committee and is double-referred to the Senate Governance and Finance Committee.
- \* SB 6 (Caballero), which enacts, until January 1, 2029, the Neighborhood Homes Act, to establish housing as an allowable use on any parcel zoned for office or retail uses. The Senate Governance and Finance Committee approved SB 6 at its March 11th hearing on a vote of 5-0. SB 6 is set for hearing on April 29th in the Senate Housing Committee.
- \* SB 7 (Atkins), which reenacts the Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2011 (AB 900, Buchanan) to allow for streamlined judicial review of large projects that meet high environmental and labor standards. SB 7 also allows a housing project with at least 15% of its units affordable to lower income households and a minimum investment of \$15 million and that meets other criteria to use the same streamlining provisions. SB 7 is currently pending in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee.
- \* SB 8 (Skinner), which extends the sunset on the Housing Crisis Act of 2019 by five years, to January 1, 2030, and makes other changes. The Senate Governance and Finance Committee approved SB 8 at its March 25th hearing on a vote of 5-0. SB 8 is set for hearing on April 29th in the Senate Housing Committee.
- \* SB 9 (Atkins), which requires ministerial approval of duplexes and specified parcel maps. SB 9 is also scheduled to be heard at the Committee's April 22nd hearing.

  Support and Opposition

(4/19/21)

Support: Libby Schaaf- Mayor, City of Oakland; Zach Hilton-City Council Member, City of

Gilroy; AARP; Abundant Housing LA; American Planning Association, California Chapter; Association of Bay Area Governments; Bay Area Council; Bridge Housing Corporation; Calchamber; California Apartment Association; California Association of Realtors; California Community Builders; California Rental Housing Association; California Yimby; Cbia; Chan Zuckerberg Initiative; Circulate San Diego; Council of Infill Builders; East Bay for Everyone; Facebook, INC.; Generation Housing; Greenbelt Alliance; Habitat for Humanity California; Housing Action Coalition; Long Beach Yimby; Los Angeles Business Council; Metropolitan Transportation Commission; Monterey; County of; Mountain View Yimby; Non-profit Housing Association of Northern California; North Bay Leadership Council; Northern Neighbors; Peninsula for Everyone; People for Housing - Orange County; San Fernando Valley Yimby; San Francisco Bay Area Planning and Urban Research Association; San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District; Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee; Santa Cruz Yimby; Silicon Valley Community Foundation; South Bay Yimby; South Pasadena Residents for Responsible Growth; Southwest California Legislative Council; Streets for People Bay Area; Sv@home; Techequity Collaborative; The Two Hundred; United Way of Greater Los Angeles; Urban Environmentalists; Valley Industry and Commerce Association; Yimby Action; Yimby Democrats of San Diego County; Zillow Group

Opposition: A Better Way Forward to House California; Adams Hill Neighborhood Association; Aids Healthcare Foundation; Alameda Citizens Task Force; Berkeley Associated Neighbors Against Non-affordable Housing; Brentwood Homeowners Association; Burton Valley Neighborhoods Group; California Alliance of Local Electeds; California Cities for Local Control; California Labor Federation, Afl-cio; California Land Title Association; California State Association of Electrical Workers;

California State Pipe Trades Council; Citizens Preserving Venice; City of Agoura Hills; City of Beverly Hills; City of Cupertino; City of El Segundo; City of Hidden Hills; City of Lafayette; City of Lomita; City of Orange; City of Rancho Palos Verdes; City of Redondo Beach; City of San Dimas; City of Santa Monica;

City of Torrance; City of Yorba Linda; Coalition for San Francisco Neighborhoods; College Terrace Residents Association; Committee to Save the Hollywoodland Specific Plan; Comstock Hills Homeowners Association; Cow Hollow Association; D4ward; Durand Ridge United;

Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations; Hidden Hill Community Association; Hills 2000 Friends of The Hills; Hollywood Knolls Community Club; Hollywoodland Homeowners Association, United Neighborhoods; IBEW Local Union 569; International Union of Elevator Constructors; LA Brea Hancock Homeowners Association; Lafayette Homeowner's Council; Lakewood Village Neighborhood Association; Latino Alliance for Community Engagement; Linda Vista-annandale Association; Los Feliz Improvement Association; Miracle Mile Residential Association; Mission Street Neighbors; Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance Trees Committee; New Livable California Dba Livable California; Noma; Northeast Neighbors of Santa Monica; Pacific Palisades Community Council; Palo Alto; City of; Pleasanton; City of; Resident Information Resource of Santa Monica; Riviera Homeowners Association; Santa Monica Coalition for A Livable City; Save Lafayette; Seaside Neighborhood Association; Shadow Hills Property Owners Association; Sherman Oaks Homeowners Association; Sierra Club; South Bay Cities Council of Governments; South Shores Community Association; Southwood Homeowners Association; Southwood Riviera Neighborhood Association; State Building and Construction Trades Council of Ca; Sunnyvale United Neighbors; Sunset-parkside

Education and Action Committee; Sustainable Tamalmonte; Sutro Ave Block Club; Telegraph Hill Dwellers; Temecula Valley Neighborhood Coalition; Verdugo Woodlands West Homeowners Association; West Pasadena Residents' Association; West Torrance Homeowners Association; Western States Council Sheet Metal, Air, Rail and Transportation; Westside Regional Alliance of Councils; Westwood Highlands Homeowners Association; Westwood Hills Property Owners Association; Westwood Homeowners Association; Westwood South of Santa Monica Blvd. Homeowners Association; Wilshire Montana Neighborhood Coalition; Windsor Square Association; 19 Individuals

#### **Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):**

CONSIDER recommending to the Board of Supervisors a position on SB 10 (Wiener) and directing staff on its placement on a Board agenda.

# Attachments

No file(s) attached.



### Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors

### Subcommittee Report

#### LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

6.

**Meeting Date:** 05/10/2021

**Subject:** SB 617 (Weiner): Residential Solar Energy Systems: Permitting

**Submitted For:** LEGISLATION COMMITTEE,

**Department:** County Administrator

**Referral No.:** 2021-16

**Referral Name:** SB 617 (Weiner)

Presenter: L. DeLaney Contact: L. DeLaney, 925-655-2057

#### **Referral History:**

Supervisor Mitchoff referred this bill to the Legislation Committee for consideration.

#### **Referral Update:**

**SB 617** 

Author: Scott D. Wiener (D-011)

Coauthor Newman (D), Stern (D), Rivas R (D), Becker (D), Chiu (D)

Title: Residential Solar Energy Systems: Permitting

Fiscal yes

**Committee:** 

Urgency no

Clause:

Introduced: 02/18/2021 Last 05/04/2021

Amend:

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Senate Appropriations Committee

Summary: Requires every city and county to implement an online, automated permitting

platform that verifies code compliance and instantaneously issues permits for a solar energy system and an energy storage system meeting certain requirements paired with a solar energy system, as specified. Requires a city or county to amend a certain ordinance to authorize a residential solar energy system and an energy storage system to use the platform. Prescribes a compliance schedule for

satisfying these requirements.

## 2021 CA S 617: Bill Analysis - 04/24/2021 - Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS Senator Ben Hueso, Chair 2021 - 2022 Regular

Bill No: SB 617 Hearing Date: 4/26/2021 Author: Wiener Version: 4/19/2021 Amended Urgency: No Fiscal: Yes Consultant: Nidia Bautista SUBJECT: Residential solar energy systems: permitting

DIGEST: This bill requires cities, counties, and city and county, as specified, to implement an online, automated permitting platform that verifies code compliance and issues permits in real time to a licensed contractor for a solar energy system, as specified. This bill also authorizes the California Energy Commission (CEC) to provide technical assistance and grant funding to cities and counties to comply with the requirements for the online platform.

#### **ANALYSIS**:

#### Existing law:

- 1) Establishes the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) has regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations, as defined. (Article XII of the California Constitution).
- 2) Decisions of the CPUC adopted the California Solar Initiative, which is administered by electrical corporations and subject to the CPUC's supervision. (CPUC D. 06-01-024)
- 3) Requires the CPUC and the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (California Energy Commission (CEC)) to undertake certain steps in implementing the California Solar Initiative (CSI). Specifies that the financial components of the CSI include, among other programs, programs for the installation of solar energy systems on new construction, which collectively are known as the New Solar Homes Partnership Program. Requires the program, which is administered by the CEC, to be funded by charges in the amount of \$400,000,000 collected from customers of the state's three largest electrical corporations Pacific Gas & Electric (PG&E), Southern California Edison (SCE) and San Diego Gas and Electric Company (SDG&E). If specified moneys are exhausted, existing law authorizes the CPUC to require each of those electrical corporations to continue the program pursuant to guidelines established by the CEC for the program until the \$400,000,000 monetary limit is reached. If the CPUC requires the continuation of the program, existing law requires any funding made available to be encumbered no later than June 1, 2018, and disbursed no later than December 31, 2021. Existing law makes the provisions of the program inoperative on June 1, 2018. (Public Utilities Section 2851)

#### This bill:

1) Requires every city and county to implement an online, automated permitting platform that verifies code compliance and instantaneously issues permits for a solar energy system that is no larger than 38.4 kilowatts (kW) alternating current nameplate rating and an energy storage system paired with a solar energy system that is no larger than 38.4 kW alternating current

nameplate rating, as specified.

- 2) Requires a city or county to amend a certain ordinance to authorize a residential solar energy system and an energy storage system to use the online, automated permitting platform.
- 3) Prescribes a compliance schedule for satisfying these requirements, which would exempt a county with a population of less than 150,000 and all cities within a county with a population of less than 150,000.
- 4) Requires a city with a population of 50,000 or less that is not otherwise exempt to satisfy these requirements by September 30, 2023, while cities and counties with populations greater than 50,000 that are not otherwise exempt would be required to satisfy the requirements by September 30, 2022.
- 5) Requires a city, county, or a fire department, district, or authority to report to the CEC when it is in compliance with specified requirements, in addition to other information. By increasing the duties of local officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.
- 6) Prohibits the provision of specified funding sources to cities and counties not in compliance with certain provisions relating to solar energy systems and fees charged for their installation or if they are not in compliance with provisions of this bill.
- 7) Authorizes the CEC to provide technical assistance and grant funding to cities and counties in order to support the above-described requirements.
- 8) Requires the CEC to develop grant guidelines and other requirements, as specified, by May 1, 2022, and make applications available no later than June 1, 2022. This bill would require the CPUC to require PG&E, SCE, and SDG&E to repurpose \$20,000,000 supporting the New Solar Homes Partnership Program, as specified, to providing technical assistance and grant funding and to pay the CEC's program costs, as specified.
- 9) Requires the CEC to set guidelines for cities and counties to report to the CEC on the number of permits issued for solar energy systems and an energy storage system paired with a solar energy system and the relevant characteristics of those systems.
- 10) Provides that with regard to certain mandates no reimbursement is required by this act for creating a new crime or infraction. However, this bill provides that if the Commission on State Mandates determines that this act contains other costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to local agencies for those costs shall be made pursuant to statute.

#### Background

Solar energy systems. The cost of installing solar energy systems--devices or structural design features that collect, store, and distribute solar energy for heating, cooling, and electricity generation--has dropped dramatically over the past decade, from \$7.53/watt for a residential photovoltaic (PV) system in 2010 to \$2.71/watt in 2020, according to National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) benchmarks for these systems. Initial cost reductions were largely due to cheaper solar panels. However, in recent years, this trend has continued because of reductions in "soft costs," such as sales taxes, supply chain costs, installer and developer profit, indirect corporate costs, transaction and financing costs, customer acquisition, permitting, and other

non-hardware costs. Although soft costs have been declining, they have not dropped as much as hard costs, so are increasing as a share of the system's total cost. According to NREL, soft costs comprised about 64 percent of the total system price for residential solar PV systems in 2020.

Solar energy system permitting. Although exact procedures vary by location, the procedure for approving a solar energy system permit is similar to the procedure for approving a building permit. Typically, the solar installation company or customer submits an electrical diagram and roof layout plan to the city or county building department. If the plan is approved, the installer or customer pays a permit fee and starts the installation project.

AB 2188 (Muratsuchi, Chapter 521, Statutes of 2014). In 2014, the Legislature required local governments to streamline their permitting processes for certain solar systems. AB 2188 requires every city and county, including charter cities, to adopt an ordinance that creates an expedited, streamlined permitting process for small residential rooftop solar energy systems. For purposes of AB 2188, solar systems are those that are sized no larger than 10 kW for PV systems and 30 kW for thermal systems, and that are installed on a single family or duplex family dwelling, and meet other conditions. AB 2188 requires each city and county to develop a checklist of all requirements that allow rooftop solar energy systems to be eligible for expedited review, and requires them to approve all complete applications that meet the requirements of the checklist.

AB 2188 also limits local governments to administrative--nondiscretionary--review of solar energy system permits. Local governments cannot review permits based on standards other than health or safety, so they cannot require design review. The permitting process must generally conform to procedures identified in the "Solar Guidebook" developed by the Office of Planning and Research, with modifications allowed only due to unique climactic, geological, seismological, or topographical conditions. Under AB 2188, only one inspection may be required for small residential rooftop solar energy systems that qualify for expedited review.

AB 546 (Chiu, Chapter 380, Statutes of 2017). In addition to the AB 2188, state law, pursuant AB 546, required cities and counties to make all documentation and forms associated with the permitting of advanced energy storage, such as battery systems, available online. The city or county must also allow for electronic submittal and signatures of a permit application, much as is required for solar energy system permitting.

According to data collected by NREL, the median time to approval in California is four days, although NREL also notes that delays can add weeks or months to the process.

About New Solar Homes Partnership (NSHP) program. Launched in January 2007, the program is the CEC's component of the CSI and is limited to new home construction in investor-owned utility (IOU) service territories. The program provides financial incentives for homeowners, builders, and developers to include solar energy systems on new, energy-efficient homes. The NSHP program goal under the CSI is to incentivize the installation of 360 MW solar capacity within 10 years with a \$400 million funding cap. Roughly \$282 million was funded from Public Goods Charge (also collected from ratepayers), the CPUC authorized an additional \$111 million, if needed, to be collected from ratepayers of the state's three largest electric IOUs to meet the goals of the program. Based on payments and active reservations to date, NSHP is on track to meet this program goal. Final determination of program accomplishment will be determined after all reservations have been processed which have a current statutory deadline of December 2021.

SolarAPP. SolarAPP is an online platform for rapid permitting of solar energy systems and

associated battery storage that can check an application for code compliance and instantly issue an approval or denial. The NREL developed the SolarAPP software in collaboration with the other entities, including: International Code Council, which develops the code behind the California Residential and Building Codes; the National Fire Protection Association, which develops the code behind the California Electrical Code; UL, which develops some of the standards for the equipment that make up a solar energy system (e.g., solar modules); and the International Association of Electrical Inspectors. SolarAPP integrates with certain popular planning programs, but can also be operated as a standalone application. This software is provided for free to local jurisdictions; applicants pay an administrative fee to defray the costs. In November 2020, the City of Pleasant Hill was the first city in the nation to issue a permit for a solar energy system using SolarAPP.

#### SB 617. This bill includes two main provisions:

(1)Relevant to Committee on Governance & Finance: this bill requires the use of automated permitting platforms and options for residential building permit issuance by a local agency for the installation of rooftop solar on residential structures. This bill prescribes a compliance schedule for each city or county to satisfy the requirement.

#### Specifically, this bill:

- \* Exempts a county with a population of less than 150,000, and all cities within such a county (largely Sierra Mountains and Northern California counties).
- \* Requires a city with population of 50,000 or less to comply no later than September 30, 2023.
- \* Requires a city, county, or city and county with population of greater than 50,000 to comply by no later than September 30, 2022.
- (2) Relevant to this committee: this bill authorizes the CEC to develop a grant program by May 2022 to provide technical assistance and grant funding to cities and counties to support the above-described requirements. The program would require PG&E, SCE, and SDG&E to repurpose \$20 million collected from ratepayers to support the NSHP Program to pay the CEC's program administrative costs and grant funding awarded. This bill requires local governments to report annually to the CEC on the number of permits issued for solar energy systems and energy storage systems paired with solar energy systems. This bill would also prohibit a city, county, and city or county that is not in compliance with AB 2188, AB 1414, and the requirements of this bill for the automated solar permitting system from receiving funds from a state-sponsored or state-administered solar or energy storage grant or loan program.

Repurposing electric ratepayer funds? Although an exact amount of NSHP balance is not, yet, available, current estimates by the CEC are that roughly \$70 million may remain in the electric IOU accounts for NSHP by the encumbrance date of the program, December 31, 2021. Per the CPUC decision authorizing the collection of \$111 million from the ratepayers of the state's three largest electric IOUs, any NSHP funds collected by the IOUs, but not encumbered by June 1, 2018 or spent by December 31, 2021 shall be returned to ratepayers. (page 31 of Decision 16-06-006). This bill intends to "repurpose" \$20 million of the funds for the technical assistance and grant funding that the CEC may provide to local governments. However, these funds are not sitting in a state treasury account. As such, it is unclear whether the Legislature can "repurpose" the funds without some additional legal maneuvering, perhaps including a refund to ratepayers

and a new direction to the CPUC to require a collection of \$20 million. Legal maneuverings aside, the application of these funds which were collected from electric ratepayers from three of the state's electric utilities would also require that those funds be applied to ratepayers in the given service territories from which they were collected. As a result, those funds should not apply to entities outside those service boundaries, including cities served by electric publicly owned utilities, such as Sacramento, Los Angeles, Riverside, etc. However, as currently crafted in this bill, the CEC would provide technical assistance and grant funding to presumably any city or county in the state, regardless of the electric utility service territory. Given the intent of the author and sponsors, it would seem more appropriate, and perhaps, more expedient, to have funds appropriated from the state General Fund via an appropriation by the Legislature. Funds from the General Fund would be available to all cities and counties in the state and not require additional legal complications as could be the case with the use of electric ratepayer funds residing in accounts held by electric utilities. Therefore, the author and committee may wish to amend this bill to delete provisions related to NSHP funds and instead require the CEC to establish the technical assistance and grant funding upon appropriation by the Legislature.

Timelines. As currently drafted, this bill would require the CEC to develop grant guidelines by May 1, 2022 and make applications available no later than June 1, 2022. It would be wise to move the application availability to beyond July 1, 2022, in order to ensure the CEC has been appropriated the funding from the Legislature for the budget cycle. The author and committee may wish to move the date from June 1 to July 1, 2022 for the grant application availability. Additionally, a representative from the California League of Cities (League), in conversation with committee staff, has expressed concerns about the compliance schedule proposed by this bill. Should this bill move forward the author may wish to engage the League regarding a feasible timeframe for the many cities encompassed by the compliance schedule proposed in this bill.

Mandate. The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local governments for the costs of new or expanded state mandated local programs. Because SB 617 adds to the duties of local planning officials and expands the definition of a crime, Legislative Counsel says that this bill imposes a new state mandate. SB 617 disclaims the state's responsibility for providing reimbursement because the costs are due to expanding a crime, but says that if the Commission on State Mandates determines that there are other mandated costs, reimbursement must be made pursuant to existing statutory requirements.

Need for technical amendments. The author and committee may wish to amend this bill to correct references to subdivision (e) in this bill, which as of the most recent amendments should now be subdivision (d).

#### Prior/Related Legislation

AB 2188 (Muratsuchi, Chapter 521, Statutes of 2014) required, on or before September 30, 2015, every city and county to adopt an ordinance, in consultation with fire and utility officials, as specified, to streamline and expedite the permitting process for small, residential, rooftop, solar energy systems.

AB 546 (Chiu, Chapter 380, Statutes of 2017) required cities and counties to post online the materials required for permitting of energy storage systems.

AB 1414 (Friedman, Chapter 849, Statutes of 2017), until January 1, 2025, lowered the cap on local government permit fees for rooftop solar energy systems and extends the cap to cover solar

thermal systems.

SB 1222 (Leno, Chapter 614, Statutes of 2012) capped local government building permit fees for residential and commercial rooftop solar energy systems.

FISCAL EFFECT: Appropriation: No Fiscal Com.: Yes Local: Yes

SUPPORT:

Environment California, Co-Sponsor

SPUR, Co-Sponsor

Mayor Pro Tem Gabriel Quinto, El Cerrito

Mayor Dianne Martinez, Emeryville

Mayor Michael Vargas, Perris

Mayor Kevin Wilk, Walnut Creek

Mayor Tom Butt, Richmond

Supervisor Ahsha Safai, San Francisco

Councilmember Dan Kalb, Oakland

Councilmember Alison Hicks, Mountain View

Councilmember James Coleman, South San Francisco

Director Steve Palmisano of Public Works, Watsonville

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Alternative Energy Systems Inc.

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Bay Area Council

California Solar & Storage Association

Center for Sustainable Energy

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| Tesla  |
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| Vote Solar   |
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ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT: According to the author:

SB 617 requires jurisdictions of a certain size to implement an automated online solar permitting system, as well as offering remote building inspections for residential rooftop solar systems. Further, SB 617 establishes a program at the California Energy Commission to offer assistance to local jurisdictions in their implementation of an online permitting system and remote inspections. Although the costs of solar hardware have decreased by 80% in the past 15 years, the 'soft' costs

associated with permitting are still a massive barrier. Beyond the cost, the unnecessary delays associated with solar permitting result in 10% of applicants rescinding their application prior to approval. This is a major hindrance to California's clean energy goals, as current models suggest that the state will need to triple solar and wind capacity in order to meet 100% renewable energy by 2045. In order to address this delay and the costs associated with permitting, SB 617 will require that an online automated permitting system be utilized.

ARGUMENTS IN OPPOSITION: In opposition to this bill, the California Building Officials (CALBO) who represent members who enforce building standard requirements, express concerns about the need for a new mandate and lack of flexibility by this bill. CALBO further states they were active participants with AB 2188 development. However, they have "... observed local government has continued to struggle with the implementation of the bill [AB 2188]. According to Berkeley Lab's July 2019 report on this law, only 71% of California's local entities have complied. This is a concern to CALBO, as we recognize and urge our local jurisdictions to adhere to the regulation and believes enforcement of existing regulations is preferable over the new requirements outlined in SB 617."

#### Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):

CONSIDER recommending a position to the Board of Supervisors on SB 617 and direct staff on its placement on a Board agenda.

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### Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors

### Subcommittee Report

#### LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

7.

**Meeting Date:** 05/10/2021

**Subject:** SB 90 (Stern) and AB 1416 (Santiago): Ballot Disclose Act

**Submitted For:** LEGISLATION COMMITTEE,

**Department:** County Administrator

**Referral No.:** 2021-17

Referral Name: SB 90 (Stern)

Presenter: L. DeLaney Contact: L. DeLaney, 925-655-2057

#### **Referral History:**

SB 90 and AB 1416, companion bills, were referred to the Legislation Committee by Supervisor Mitchoff.

#### **Referral Update:**

**SB 90**: The text of the bill can be found <u>here</u>.

**Author:** Henry I. Stern (D-027)

Coauthor Umberg (D), Dodd (D), Santiago (D)

Title: Elections: Ballot Label

Fiscal yes

**Committee:** 

Urgency no

Clause:

Introduced: 12/16/2020 Last 04/19/2021

Amend:

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Senate Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee

Summary: Requires the ballot label for statewide measures to include a listing of the signers

of ballot arguments printed in the state voter information guide that support and oppose the measure or the signers of the rebuttal arguments to the arguments that support and oppose the measure. Requires the signers of the ballot arguments to submit the lists of supporters and opponents to the Secretary of State and requires the Secretary of State to provide those lists to county elections officials as part of

the label.

AB 1416 is a parallel, companion bill in the Assembly.

The press release for SB 90 is as follows:

After a Lengthy & Costly November 2020 Ballot, Stern's SB 90 Aims to Put More Information at the Fingertips of Voters

December 17, 2020

For Immediate Release: December 17th, 2020 Contact: Faith Colburn at

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**SACRAMENTO** – Following the most expensive ballot proposition cycle in California history, Senator Henry Stern (D-Los Angles) has introduced SB 90 to help voters know who the main supporters and opponents of initiative measures are at the exact moment they're filling out their ballot. "The initiatives we vote on in California can be dense, and easily misunderstood, especially when large dollar campaigns are at play behind the scenes," said Stern. "We want to take voters behind the scenes on their ballot and offer them a way to follow the money right at the point of voting. Knowing who supports and opposes an initiative tells you a lot about it, for better or for worse. So rather than force voters to navigate the misinformation on social media and the internet, we think this information belongs in the ballot itself." According to a report in the Los Angeles Times, a record \$785 million was poured into efforts to support and oppose the 12 initiative measures that were on the November 2020 ballot. A poll conducted of 661 likely California voters before the November 2020 election showed nearly four in five voters (79%) want to know who supports and opposes ballot measures, but those same voters aren't confident they know this information or can find it easily. These results hold across the political spectrum, with 84% of Democrats, 80% of Republicans, and 70% of Independents saying knowing who a measure's supporters and opponents are is "very important" or "somewhat important" to know. The same poll found 75% of likely voters favor "adding to the ballot a short list of the supporters and opponents of each ballot proposition" – precisely what SB 90 proposes to do. Under SB 90, the ballot given to each voter will list the main supporters and opponents to each statewide ballot measure, though the list of each cannot exceed 15 words. SB 90 is similar to SB 636 (Stern) of 2019. That bill, which was supported by the California Clean Money Campaign, the California League of Conservation Voters, Consumer Watchdog, and Courage California among others, passed the Senate on a bi-partisan 31-5 vote but was held in the Assembly. "One of the most important pieces of information for voters about ballot measures is which organizations support or oppose them, because voters know that organizations they trust have had the opportunity to study their ramifications in ways the voters themselves usually haven't," said Trent Lange, President of the California Clean Money Campaign, sponsor of SB 90. "That's why we're so thrilled Senator Stern is introducing the Ballot DISCLOSE Act to provide that crucial information to voters when and where it matters most — on the ballot itself." The bill will be assigned to the Senate Elections & Constitutional Amendments Committee and will be heard sometime in February or March.

#### **Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):**

CONSIDER recommending to the Board of Supervisors a position on SB 90 (Stern) and AB 1416 (Santiago) and directing staff on its placement on a Board agenda.

**Attachments** 

*No file(s) attached.* 



### Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors

### Subcommittee Report

#### **LEGISLATION COMMITTEE**

8.

**Meeting Date:** 05/10/2021

**Subject:** Update from Washington, D.C. and Status of Community Project Funding

Requests

**Submitted For:** LEGISLATION COMMITTEE,

**Department:** County Administrator

**Referral No.:** 2021-18

**Referral Name:** Federal Legislation of Interest

**Presenter:** L. DeLaney **Contact:** L. DeLaney, 925-655-2057

#### **Referral History:**

The Legislation Committee regularly receives reports on federal legislation adn provides direction to staff and the County's federal advocates from Alcalde & Fay, as needed.

#### **Referral Update:**

For the past several weeks, County staff and its federal advocates from Alcalde & Fay have been working diligently to respond to the opportunity from our congressional delegation to submit projects for Community Project Funding consideration. Under Democratic leadership, the U.S. House of Representatives has reinstated community-directed funding (sometimes known as "earmarks") in the upcoming appropriations bills. For the first time in 10 years, we will have the opportunity to request that specific projects be funded that will benefit our community. This funding, now known as Community Project Funding, is more limited, but has great potential. Additionally, the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee has provided an opportunity for Members of Congress to submit requests for Highway and Transit Project Designations as part of the surface transportation reauthorization expected to advance later this year. This process will allow our congressional delegation to advocate for specific community needs for highway and transit projects and deliver much-needed federal resources.

A summary of the projects submitted to the County's congressional delegation and status of those requests in included in <u>Attachment A</u>.

The following is an update from CSAC's federal advocate, prepared April 29, 2021.

President Biden Addresses Joint Session of Congress; Outlines American Families Plan On April 28, President Joe Biden delivered his first address to a joint session of Congress. The primetime event was significantly scaled back in attendance, with less than a fifth of the chamber's total seating filled as a precaution against COVID-19. In addition to laying out his vision for the country, Biden outlined his proposal for a second longer-term economic plan – the *American Families Plan*. Unlike the *American Jobs Plan*, which is focused on infrastructure, this

effort addresses childcare, paid family leave, and other social welfare issues. In all, the American Families Plan includes \$1.8 trillion in investments and tax credits for families and children over the next decade. Of that funding, \$800 billion would be made available in tax credits, \$511 billion would be reserved for education, \$225 billion would go toward child care, \$225 billion would help provide paid leave, and \$45 billion would be for expanded nutrition benefits. To pay for the measure, President Biden would increase taxes on the wealthiest one percent of Americans. Among other things, his plan would restore the top personal income tax rate to 39.6 percent (up from 37 percent) for those earning more than \$400,000 a year. It also would tax capital gains at the same rate for people earning \$1 million or more and end a capital gains tax break on inheritances, as well as the "carried interest" tax break utilized by fund managers. According to the administration, these tax code changes would raise \$1.5 trillion over the next ten years and would be fully paid for over 15 years. To follow is a brief summary of the *American Families* Plan. Universal Pre-School – President Biden is requesting \$200 billion to provide free universal pre-school for all three- and four-year-olds. The plan would be in partnership with states and would focus on high-need areas. It should be noted that the proposal would provide that employees participating in pre-school and Head Start programs would receive a minimum wage of \$15 per hour. Free Community College – The plan includes \$109 billion to provide two years of free community college to all Americans, including "Dreamers." Pell Grants – President Biden is requesting over \$80 billion in federal funding to increase the maximum Pell Grant award by approximately \$1,400. The plan also allows Dreamers to access Pell Grants. School Completion and Retention Programs – The administration's plan proposes \$62 billion for a grant program that would invest in completion and retention activities at colleges and universities, particularly those that serve high numbers of low-income students. Historically Black Colleges and Universities -The American Families Plan would provide two years of subsidized tuition at Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU), Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCUs), and other Minority-Serving Institutions (MSIs). It also would provide funding to expand existing institutional aid grants to HBCUs, TCUs, and MSIs, which can be used to create or expand educational programs in high-demand fields. Teachers – President Biden is calling on Congress to invest \$9 billion to address teacher shortages, improve teacher preparation, and strengthen pipelines for teachers of color. Of this funding, \$2.8 billion would go toward Grow Your Own programs and paid teacher residencies, \$2 billion would be reserved for mentorship programs, \$1.6 billion would be used for teachers to become certified in high-demand areas, \$900 billion to develop special education teachers, and \$400 million for teacher preparation programs at HBCUs, TCUs, and MSIs. The proposal would also double scholarships (up to \$8,000/year) for future teachers pursuing their degrees. Child Care – The proposal would provide direct support to families to ensure that low- and middle-income families spend no more than seven percent of their income on child care, and that the child care they access is of high-quality. The plan also would ensure that child care workers receive a minimum wage of \$15 an hour. Nutrition Programs – The American Families Plan would invest \$45 billion to expand nutrition benefits for low-income children by increasing access to the summer meals program and expanding free school meals for children in high-poverty school districts. The plan also would make individuals convicted of drug offenses eligible for SNAP benefits after their incarceration. Tax Credits – The White House proposal would extend key tax cuts included in the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) that benefit lower- and middle-income workers and families, including the Child Tax Credit, the Earned Income Tax Credit, and the Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit. It also would extend the expanded health insurance tax credits that were included in ARPA. Paid Family and Medical Leave – The proposal calls for the creation of a national paid family and medical leave program. Pursuant to the administration's plan, leave could be used to care for a new child,

deal with a personal or family illness, bereavement, or another serious reason. The \$225 billion investment would guarantee up to 12 weeks of paid leave by the tenth year of the program (and three days for bereavement annually to begin in the first year). Workers would be eligible for up to \$4,000 a month. At a minimum, employees would receive at least two-thirds of their average weekly wages. In addition, the proposal calls on Congress to approve legislation (HR 2465; S 1195) that would require certain employers to allow their employees to accrue seven days of paid sick leave annually. Senate Set to Approve Bipartisan Water Infrastructure Legislation Later today, the Senate is expected to approve bipartisan legislation – the *Drinking Water and* Wastewater Infrastructure Act of 2021 – that would invest more than \$35 billion in water infrastructure projects across the country with a "focus on upgrading aging infrastructure, addressing the threat of climate change, investing in new technologies, and providing assistance to marginalized communities." The measure (S 914) would reauthorize both the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (SRF) and the Clean Water SRF. These programs provide financial aid to local drinking water systems and to state clean water programs, as well as loan financing and assistance for communities for a range of water infrastructure projects. Pursuant to S 914, both programs would be reauthorized at \$2.4 billion in fiscal year 2022, gradually increasing that amount to \$3.25 billion in fiscal years 2025 and 2026 for a total of \$14.7 billion. The bill also would increase the minimum percentage of Drinking Water SRF dollars that must go to disadvantaged communities. Finally, the legislation would reauthorize the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) through 2026 at the current funding level of \$50 million per year. House Ways and Means Committee Introduces Legislation Supporting Families This week, House Ways and Means Committee Democrats unveiled a draft measure – *Building an* **Economy for Families Act** – that would make permanent a number of provisions in ARPA. including permanently extending the increases to the Child Tax Credit, Earned Income Tax Credit, and the Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit. In addition, the draft measure contains a national paid family and medical leave initiative similar to the plan included in the *American* Families Act. The legislation also includes additional investments in child care, including \$200 million annually to increase child care slots in shortage areas, as well as funding increases for child care subsidies and infrastructure.

#### **Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):**

ACCEPT the report and provide direction to staff and the County's federal lobbyists, as needed.

#### **Attachments**

Attachment A: Earmark Results To Date

#### **Summary of Contra Costa County Congressional Earmarks**

| Rep. De | Saulnier (D-11) Submissions for Appropriations Committee's CPF   |              |                   |
|---------|--|--------------|-------------------|
|         |  | Request      | Results           |
| 1       | Contra Costa Crisis Services Hub   | \$1,000,000  | Submitted by D-11 |
| 2       | Mobile Crisis Response Team Expansion  | \$1,061,552  | Submitted by D-11 |
| 3       | Collaborative Care Implementation  | \$900,000    | Submitted by D-11 |
| 4       | Market Avenue Complete Street  | \$2,200,000  | Not submitted     |
| 5       | Morgan Territory Rd. Bridge Replacement MP 5.0   | \$1,500,000  | Not submitted     |
| 6       | Marsh Creek Rd. Bridge Replacements #143 & #145  | \$1,000,000  | Not submitted     |
| 7       | Byron Airport Utility Program  | \$1,800,000  | Not submitted     |
| 8       | Buchanan Field Terminal Building   | \$2,000,000  | Not submitted     |
| 9       | Buchanan Field Air Traffic Control Tower   | \$12,700,000 | Not submitted     |
| 10      | Just Transition Economic Revitalization Plan   | \$750,000    | Submitted by D-11 |
| 11      | Veterans Memorial Building Improvements  | \$700,000    | Submitted by D-11 |
|         | Harmful Algal Blooms: PROGRAM REQUEST  |              | Submitted by D-11 |
| _       | Saulnier (D-11) Submissions for T&I Committee, bill reauthorization  |              |                   |
| 1       | Market Avenue Complete Street  | \$2,170,000  | Submitted by D-11 |
| 2       | CCC Mobility for All   | \$2,000,000  | Submitted by D-11 |
| 3       | Appian Way Pedestrian Crossing Enhancements  | \$2,000,000  | Submitted by D-11 |
| 4       | Morgan Territory Rd. Bridge Replacement MP 5.0   | \$1,500,000  | Not submitted     |
| 5       | Morgan Territory Rd. Bridge Replacement MP 5.2   | \$1,500,000  | Not submitted     |
| 6       | Marsh Creek Rd. Bridge Replacements #143 & #145  | \$1,000,000  | Not submitted     |
| 7       | Vasco Road Safety Improvements Phase II  | \$4,000,000  | Not submitted     |
| Rep. Tl | nompson (D-5) Submissions for Appropriations Committee's CPF   |              |                   |
| 1       | Contra Costa Crisis Services Hub   | \$2,810,742  | Not submitted     |
| 2       | Mobile Crisis Response Team Expansion  | \$1,061,552  | Not submitted     |
| 3       | Collaborative Care Implementation  | \$900,000    | Submitted by D-5  |
| 4       | Veterans Memorial Building Improvements  | \$100,000    | Not submitted     |
| 5       | Contra Costa Mobility for All  | \$1,000,000  | Not submitted     |
| 6       | Carquinez Middle School Trail  | \$2,500,000  | Not submitted     |
| Rep. Tł | nompson (D-5) Submissions for T&I Committee, bill reauthorization  |              |                   |
| 1       | Carquinez Middle School Trail  | \$2,500,000  | Submitted by D-5  |
| 2       | San Pablo Avenue Complete Streets  | \$7,800,000  | Submitted by D-5  |
| 3       | Contra Costa Mobility for All  | \$1,000,000  | Submitted by D-5  |
| Rep. M  | cNerney (D-9) Submissions for Appropriations Committee's CPF   |              |                   |
| 1       | Contra Costa Crisis Services Hub   | \$2,810,742  | Not submitted     |
| 2       | Mobile Crisis Response Team Expansion  | \$1,061,552  | Not submitted     |
| 3       | Collaborative Care Implementation  | \$900,000    | Not submitted     |
| 4       | Veterans Memorial Building Improvements  | \$300,000    | Submitted by D-9  |
| Rep. M  | cNerney (D-9) Submissions for T&I Committee, bill reauthorization  |              |                   |
| 1       | Vasco Road Phase II  | \$3,905,000  | Submitted by D-9  |
| Rep. Sv | valwell (D-15) Submissions for Appropriations Committee's CPF  |              |                   |
| 1       | Contra Costa Crisis Services Hub   | \$2,810,742  | Not submitted     |
| 2       | Mobile Crisis Response Team Expansion  | \$1,061,552  | Not submitted     |
| 3       | Collaborative Care Implementation  | \$900,000    | Not submitted     |
| Rep. Sv | valwell (D-15) T&I Committee Reauthorization Submissions   |              |                   |
| 1       | Norris Canyon Road Safety Improvements   | \$3,000,000  | Submitted by D-15 |
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