



Agenda

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

June 14, 2021
1:00 P.M.

VIRTUAL MEETING VIA ZOOM

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Supervisor Diane Burgis, Chair
Supervisor Karen Mitchoff, Vice Chair

Agenda Items:

Items may be taken out of order based on the business of the day and preference 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 May 10, 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 the state advocates, as needed.**
5. **CONSIDER recommending to the Board of Supervisors a position of "Support" on AB 844 (Grayson) Empowerment Zone for the Northern Waterfront Area.**
6. **CONSIDER recommending to the Board of Supervisors a position of "Support" on SB 594 (Glazer) Elections: Local Redistricting.**
7. **ACCEPT the report on the federal legislation of interest and provide direction to staff and the County's federal advocates, as needed.**
8. The next meeting is currently scheduled for Monday, July 12, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.
9. Adjourn

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Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors

Subcommittee Report

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

3.

Meeting Date: 06/14/2021
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 May 10, 2021 meeting of the Committee.

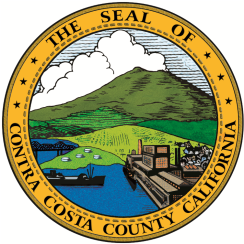
Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):

RECEIVE and APPROVE the Record of Action for the May 10, 2021 meeting with any necessary corrections.

Attachments

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LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

RECORD OF ACTION FOR
May 10, 2021

Supervisor Diane Burgis, Chair
Supervisor Karen Mitchoff, Vice Chair

Present: Karen Mitchoff, Vice Chair

Absent: Diane Burgis, Chair

Staff Present: Lara DeLaney, Senior Deputy County Administrator, staff to Committee; Aruna Bhat, Deputy Director, DCD; Mark Goodwin, Chief of Staff, District III; Gayle Israel, Chief of Staff, District II; Jason Crapo, Deputy Director, DCD; John Kopchik, Director of Department of Conservation & Development; Chris Wickler, Field Representative, District IV; Lynn Peralta, Division Manager, EHSD

Attendees: Michelle Rubalcava, Dr. William Walker, Mariana Moore, David Twa

1. Introductions

Vice Chair Mitchoff called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. (Chair Burgis was unable to attend.)

AYE: Vice Chair Karen 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.

AYE: Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff

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

Vice Chair Mitchoff approved the Record of Action for the April 12, 2021 meeting as presented.

AYE: Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff

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

A report summarizing the status of the state budget discussions was provided by staff. The County's state advocate, Michelle Rubalcava from Nielsen Merksamer, provided a summary of the major legislative items of interest to the County. Questions were asked and answered relative to the Suspense File in the Appropriations Committees. Mariana Moore provided a comment in support of SB 91 and rental relief.

AYE: Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff

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

After a brief discussion regarding the status and main provisions of the bill, Vice Chair Mitchoff directed staff to continue monitoring the bill.

AYE: Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff

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

SB 617 would require every city and county to implement an online, automated permitting platform that verifies code compliance and instantaneously issues permits for residential photovoltaic solar energy systems. Deputy Director of the Department of Conservation and Development, Jason Crapo, provided the Committee with a letter (see attached) from the California Building Officials opposing SB 617 (Wiener) on the basis of its "one-size-fits-all approach," bill implementation challenges at the local level, and the challenges of the software technology platform. Vice Chair Mitchoff directed staff to watch the bill. (Subsequent to the meeting SB 617 was held in the Appropriations Committee.)

AYE: Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff

7. 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.

Vice Chair Mitchoff noted SB 90 (Stern) was co-authored by Senator Bill Dodd and indicated her support of the bills. (SB 90 and AB 1416 were subsequently held in committee and have not advanced in the legislative process.)

AYE: Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff

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

The report was accepted as provided. No public comment was received.

AYE: Vice Chair Karen Mitchoff

9. The next meeting is currently scheduled for Monday, June 14, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

10. Adjourn

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April 20, 2021

The Honorable Scott Wiener
California State Senate
State Capitol, Room 5100
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 617 (Wiener)- OPPOSE
As Amended April 5, 2021

Dear Senator Wiener,

California Building Officials (CALBO) must respectfully **OPPOSE** SB 617, as amended April 19, 2021. As you know, this bill would require every city and county to implement an online, automated permitting platform that verifies code compliance and instantaneously issues permits for residential photovoltaic solar energy systems.

As background, CALBO members are primarily responsible for enforcing building code requirements in an estimated 95% of the buildings constructed in California. Our mission is to promote public health and safety in building construction through responsible legislation, education, and building code development. We ensure that proper public health and structural safety requirements, codes, and standards are adhered to within the built environment. We protect the citizens and the overall safety of the public.

CALBO has worked for decades on prudent and enforceable legislation that will meet the state of California's laudable goals relative to climate change. CALBO commends state legislators and their efforts to further these goals, however; they must be pursued in a feasible and constructive manner to ensure local government's ability to comply and enforce such policies. We have large scale concerns, as we have addressed with

the Sponsor of SB 617, that we do not see as simple changes.

First and foremost, CALBO is founded upon the principle that local California governments must have the ability to make changes and implement programs at the local level. What is good for San Francisco, may not be the best practice for West Covina. Accordingly, CALBO opposes this bill given the inflexible mandate on local government. Although we acknowledge the need to address climate change and promote green energy solutions, CALBO believes that due to the geographic uniqueness and resource availability of each jurisdiction a one-size-fits-all approach is not the solution to this issue.

CALBO was an active player in the passage of Assembly Bill 2188 (Muratsuchi, 2014), which required local governments to adopt an expedited permitting process for small residential rooftop solar energy systems by September 30, 2015. Although the aggressive timeline was a concern for us, we worked with the author's office lockstep in an effort to meet the spirit of the policy. However, with time, we have observed local government has continued to struggle with the implementation of the bill. 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. Using history as a guide and benchmark, we have deep concerns in another local mandate making it more challenging to accomplish intended goals of existing legislation.

Of further note, CALBO has concerns with SolarAPP+, which has been proposed as the solution to streamline permitting. It has been openly discussed that SolarAPP+ has not been fully developed and still needs further testing. Given CALBO's charge and mission of ensuring the welfare and safety of the public, without confirmation that this new technology can fully detect safety hazards or violations in solar energy systems, the program is not a feasible solution.

CALBO continues to offer solutions to meet the intended goals of SB 617 through optional regional pilot programs through our organization. Senior leaders within CALBO showed interest in the SolarAPP+ opportunity, they just do not wish to have it mandated upon them without option.

For these reasons, CALBO must respectfully **OPPOSE** SB 617. CALBO looks forward to a continued partnership with legislative leaders to address climate change in practical and prudent manners. However, mandates upon local government without proper preparation will not successfully meet our shared goals and intentions. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at (916) 208-2582.

Sincerely,



Brady Guertin
Public Affairs Manager



Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors

Subcommittee Report

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

4.

Meeting Date: 06/14/2021

Subject: FY 2021-22 State Budget and State Bills 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
Team

Contact: L. DeLaney,
925-655-2057

Referral History:

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

Referral Update:

A recap of the FY 2021-22 State Budget from the Urban Counties of California is as follows:

Budget Committees Adopt Unified Legislative Budget Plan; Negotiations Between Legislative Leaders and Governor Begin

On Tuesday, June 1, Senate President pro Tempore Toni G. Atkins (D-San Diego), Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon (D-Lakewood), Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee Chair Nancy Skinner (D-Berkeley), and Assembly Budget Chair Phil Ting (D-San Francisco) announced an [agreement](#) on a joint State Budget Proposal.

Subsequently, the full budget committees met concurrently to adopt a [parallel and largely unified approach](#) to the 2021-22 state spending plan. As posted at the links below, the budget committees adopted hundreds of individual subcommittee actions – some consistent with the Governor's January and/or May budget proposals, some that revised or rejected the Governor's proposal, and others reflecting wholly new legislative spending.

Among the most notable differences are providing Medi-Cal to undocumented immigrants at age 50 instead of 60 and giving health departments the \$200 million they requested. The legislative proposal relies on the Legislative Analyst Office's revenue forecast, which anticipates about \$4 billion more in the next budget year — but \$20 billion more than Governor Newsom assumed in 2024-25. Democrats believe they can stay under the state appropriations limit, better known as the "Gann Limit," by treating the \$8.1 billion in Golden State Stimulus checks as lower revenues on the balance sheet rather than as an expenditure.

Legislative Democrats also say their budget "maximizes flexible federal funds" more than the Governor did in his

budget.

- Health and Human Services | [link](#)
- Education | [link](#)
- Climate, Resources, Environment, and Transportation | [link](#)
- State Administration and General Government | [link](#)
- Public Safety, Judiciary, and Corrections | [link](#)

With these actions, legislative leaders have endorsed a shared budget framework and now begin negotiations on areas in which their spending plan differs from that of the Governor's May Revision. The Legislature's proposed budget package does not address details necessary to fully enact the 2021-22 budget; rather, it offers a high-level spending plan and recognizes that further negotiations and refinements are needed on a number of big-ticket items likely dealt with post-June 15, including homelessness, water, energy, and children's behavioral health.

The Budget Conference Committee will not be a feature of this year's budget process. Behind-the-scenes negotiations between the Newsom Administration and leaders in both houses are expected to take place. The 72-hour in print rule means that the Budget and any trailer bills on which the Legislature must act needs to be in print three days prior to any votes cast. With the immutable June 15 budget deadline, the houses have until June 12 to publish bill provisions.

Given the considerable number and depth of the policy issues deferred until after June 15, expect to see several more rounds of "budget bill juniors" (measures to make appropriations beyond the main budget bill that will have to be passed by June 15) and plenty of additional trailer bills.

All told, the updated Legislature's Version contains total spending of \$267.1 billion, of which \$196.1 billion is from the General Fund, and total General Fund reserves equaling a record \$25.2 billion. Total Proposition 98 spending is a record, \$96.1 billion, including \$69 billion from the General Fund.

As we await information regarding final negotiations, a few select actions – grouped by subcommittee jurisdiction – from the Legislature's budget package are as follows:

Health and Human Services

Public Health

The Legislature's spending plan includes notable ongoing investments in public health, including \$475.1 million in 2021-22 and \$403 million annually thereafter to rebuild an equitable public health system. A detailed summary of the public health plan can be found [here](#). Investments include the following:

- \$200 million annually to support local health jurisdictions, including a three-year public health planning process beginning July 1, 2022.
- \$35 million annually to support workforce development programs to recruit, expand, and retain a modern public health workforce.
- \$115 million annually to support health equity and racial justice interventions including \$100 million for grants to community-based organizations to address health disparities and \$15 million for the Transgender Wellness and Equity Fund.
- \$40 million annually to support Department of Public Health (DPH) statewide coordination and planning, including technical assistance to counties, IT system upgrades, triennial study of public health workforce gaps, annual study of progress on addressing health disparities,

and other annual reporting.

- \$3 million to support a public health infrastructure study to inform the triennial public health plans by July 1, 2022.
- \$63.1 million one-time to support Phase II of the California Reducing Disparities Project.
- \$13 million ongoing and \$6 million one-time to support investments to end the epidemics of HIV/AIDS, hepatitis C, and sexually transmitted infections.

Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Conservatorships

The legislative budget rejected the Governor's May Revision proposal to halt intake and release LPS conservatees at State Hospitals. Conversations are ongoing between the state and counties on alternatives.

In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)

The Legislature's budget includes a penalty of 10% on a county that fails to reach a collective bargaining agreement for IHSS providers.

Adult Protective Services

The Legislature's budget would provide \$70 million General Fund ongoing to expand Adult Protective Services to serve adults ages 60 and older.

Families First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA)

The Legislature provided an additional \$100 million ongoing on top of the Governor's May Revision proposal of \$148 million for county implementation of FFPSA.

Addressing Complex Care Needs of Foster Youth

The Legislature provided an additional \$100 million ongoing to meet the complex care needs of foster youth returning from out-of-state placements on top of the May Revision proposal of \$42.1 million (\$39.2 million General Fund).

Legislative Homelessness Package

The Legislature adopted a multi-year homelessness package to include investments over multiple years as detailed below.

For the 2021-22 budget year:

- \$1.2 billion federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for Project Homekey
- \$1 billion for flexible local assistance with "robust oversight and accountability requirements" that are yet to be determined
- \$40 million for Family Homelessness Challenge Grants and Technical Assistance
- \$30 million for Encampment Resolution Grants
- Additional investments in a variety of health and human services programs to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and assisting those at risk of homelessness

For the 2022-23 budget year:

- \$1 billion federal ARPA funds for Project Homekey
- \$1 billion for flexible local assistance with the same oversight and accountability requirements
- Additional investments in a variety of health and human services programs to prevent individuals and families from becoming homeless and assisting those at risk of homelessness

For 2023-24 and 2024-25:

- An additional \$1 billion per year in flexible local assistance funding

While the Senate and Assembly budget committees approved this framework, trailer bill details (such as the allocation methodology) will likely need to be developed over the summer.

Public Safety, Judiciary, and Corrections

Dependency Counsel Augmentation

As part of a larger package of access to justice investments, the Legislature adopted a two-part augmentation to dependency counsel funding.

For the 2021-22 budget year:

\$10 million in one-time funding to address pandemic-related caseload spikes and operational expenditures

For the 2021-22 budget year and ongoing:

Up to \$30 million to address any shortfall associated with the drawdown of federal funding.

Fine and fee forgiveness/elimination; AB 1869 (2020) backfill methodology

The Legislature rejected the Governor's May Revision proposal to dedicate \$300 million in one-time federal ARPA funds to (1) support additional relief for low-income individuals who owe fines and fees associated with traffic and non-traffic infractions issued between January 1, 2015 and June 30, 2021 and (2) backfill counties and courts for associated revenue loss.

Instead, the Legislature adopted the following multi-part approach to addressing the impacts of court-ordered debt:

- Adopt placeholder trailer bill language to determine the allocation schedule for the \$65 million backfill provided for five years pursuant to AB 1869, the 2020 trailer bill that eliminated approximately two dozen criminal justice administrative fees and vacated previously levied debt;
- Adopt placeholder trailer bill language for a new set of criminal administrative fees and the civil assessment fee
- Appropriate the following amounts to provide for a county and court backfill associated with the proposed elimination of the new set of fines and fees: \$151 million each in 2021- 22 and 2022-23, \$130 million in 2023-24, and \$120 million in 2024-25 and thereafter.

In separate but related action, the Legislature also rejected the Governor's January proposal to expand a court-based ability-to-pay program.

Statewide expansion of pretrial pilot programs

The Legislature rejected – and took no action to offer an alternative – the Governor's May Revision proposal to invest \$140 million in 2021-22 and \$70 million ongoing to expand pretrial services pilot programs statewide.

Office of Youth and Community Restoration

The Legislature increased funding to \$30 million (as compared to approximately \$7 million in the Governor's proposal) in support of the OYCR, which – pursuant to the provisions in the 2020 DJJ Realignment measure (SB 823) – will be established on July 1, 2021 within the state's Health and Human Services Agency. Related actions include adoption of placeholder trailer bill language to clarify and expand the role and duties of the office.

CDCR Deferred Maintenance and Future Prison Closures

In connection to the Administration's proposed investments to address prison facility deferred maintenance, the Legislature approved the associated funding contingent upon the adoption of trailer bill in the final budget agreement requiring CDCR to create and adopt a long term prison infrastructure investment plan and prison closure plan.

Enhanced Jail Inspections

The Legislature's budget rejected the Administration's proposal to authorize 14 new positions at the Board of State and Community Corrections (and \$2.9 million in associated funding) to strengthen jail oversight and inspections. Associated action includes approval of \$150,000 ongoing to support electronic data entry and the adoption of placeholder trailer bill language to authorize unannounced detention facility inspections.

Public Defender Funding

The Legislature's budget includes the following new investments to support workload in public defender offices, alternative public defender offices, and other alternative offices providing indigent criminal defense services: \$50 million in 2021-2022, \$50 million in 2022-23, and \$50 million in 2023-24.

Legislative Updates:

According to Politico, 790 Assembly bills passed before the June 4 house of origin deadline, meaning that 49.6% of the 1,593 Assembly bills introduced this year made it out on time. On the Senate side, 549 out of its 828 introduced bills continue moving, which is a 66.3% success rate. Five Assembly bills failed passage on the floor and 34 were moved to the "inactive file," while one Senate bill failed passage and 59 were moved to inactive. Committee hearings the week of June 7 are generally not the highest-profile bills approved by the house of origin deadline but, rather, non-fiscal bills that did not have to go through the Appropriations committees suspense files. The Assembly will hold seven policy committee hearings, while the Senate is convening twelve. July 14 is the last day for policy committees to approve bills, just before the one-month summer recess begins on July 16.

Newsom Administration Assures Brown Act Flexibility Beyond June 15

On June 2, 2021, representatives from the Office of Governor Gavin Newsom assured local agency associations that Brown Act flexibilities provided during the COVID-19 pandemic to local governing bodies, boards, and commissions via [Executive Order](#) would continue beyond the state's anticipated June 15 re-opening. This assurance comes after a coalition of local agency associations formally requested that the Governor consider providing a period of transition back to in-public meetings prior to repeal of relevant executive orders.

Communication from the Newsom Administration indicated that the Governor intends to terminate pandemic-related executive orders at the earliest possible date when conditions warrant, but also that he recognizes the importance of an orderly return to in-person state and local public meetings. As a result, the Administration will work to provide notice to affected stakeholders in advance of repeal of relevant executive orders. Until a further order is issued, local agencies may continue to rely on existing orders.

The Governor did confirm at a press event that he intends to keep California under a state of emergency – both for administrative (such as FEMA reimbursements) and public health (responding to another outbreak) purposes – even after the state broadly reopens on June 15.

Update on "Hot" Bills

[AB 650](#), by Assembly Member Al Muratsuchi, would have required public and private health care providers, including hospitals and clinics, to pay hazard pay retention bonuses to the health care workforce. The measure was not taken up for a vote before the Legislature concluded its business for the week, effectively meaning the bill is dead because it failed to move out of the house of origin before the June 4 deadline. Please note that the sponsor – Service Employees International Union State Council – held a press conference with Assembly Member Ash Kalra to push for the inclusion of funding in the state budget for hazard pay for health care workers. The Legislature’s budget framework does not include funding for this purpose.

Similarly, [SB 213](#), by Senator Dave Cortese, was not taken up for a vote before the Legislature adjourned. The measure would have created rebuttable presumptions that infectious disease, COVID-19, cancer, musculoskeletal injury, post-traumatic stress disorder or respiratory disease are occupational injuries for a direct patient care worker employed in an acute care hospital and are therefore eligible for workers’ compensation benefits.

Other notable bills of interest to the County will be presented at the meeting of the Legislation Committee by the County's state advocate. Attachment A is the status report of the County's 2021 Priority Bills.

Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):

Attachments

Priority Bill Tracking Report

2021 Priority Bills For Contra Costa County 6/10/21

AB 4	AUTHOR: TITLE: FISCAL COMMITTEE: URGENCY CLAUSE: INTRODUCED: DISPOSITION: LOCATION: SUMMARY:	Arambula [D] Medi-Cal: Eligibility yes no 12/07/2020 Pending SENATE 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: 06/01/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY. *****To SENATE. (59-18) Commentary001: Platform consistency. Sending LOS.
AB 14	AUTHOR: TITLE: FISCAL COMMITTEE: URGENCY CLAUSE: INTRODUCED: DISPOSITION: LOCATION: SUMMARY:	Aguiar-Curry [D] Communications: Broadband: Advanced Services Fund yes yes 12/07/2020 Pending SENATE 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: 06/02/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time, urgency clause adopted. Passed ASSEMBLY. *****To SENATE. (61-7) Commentary001: CSAC supports. LOS sent, consistent with Platform.
AB 15	AUTHOR: TITLE: FISCAL COMMITTEE: URGENCY CLAUSE: INTRODUCED: DISPOSITION: LOCATION: SUMMARY:	Chiu [D] COVID-19 Relief: Tenancy Stabilization Act of 2021 yes yes 12/07/2020 Pending Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee

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: 05/24/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
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:

06/02/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY. *****To SENATE. (75-0)

Commentary001:

EHSD requested to sign-on to concern letter. Sign-on authorized by Chair 4/6/21.

AB 32

AUTHOR: Aguiar-Curry [D]
TITLE: Telehealth
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020
LAST AMEND: 05/24/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
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:

06/01/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (79-0)

Commentary001:

Sent LOS. 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:

05/20/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Held in committee.

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: yes
INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020
LAST AMEND: 05/24/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: A-28
LOCATION: Assembly Inactive File
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:

06/03/2021 In ASSEMBLY. To Inactive File.

AB 80

AUTHOR: Burke [D]
TITLE: 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: Chaptered
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.

STATUS:

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: SENATE

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:

05/27/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (78-0)

AB 112

AUTHOR: Holden [D]
TITLE: 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:

05/20/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Held in committee.

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 Campbell opposed; recommends BOS oppose. Leg Com concurred 3/8.

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: SENATE
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:

06/01/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (80-0)

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: SENATE
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:

05/27/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (78-0)

Commentary001:

Leg Com found consistent with Platform 2/8/21. Sent 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.

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:

PH Director recommends support. Leg Com found consistent 3/8/21.

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: SENATE
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:

06/01/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (53-18)

AB 323

AUTHOR: Kalra [D]
TITLE: Long-Term Health Facilities
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no

	<p>INTRODUCED: 01/26/2021</p> <p>DISPOSITION: Pending</p> <p>LOCATION: Senate Health Committee</p> <p>SUMMARY:</p> <p>Redefines a class AA violation as a class A violation that the Department of Public Health determines to have been a substantial factor, as described, in the death of a resident of a long-term health care facility. Increases the civil penalties for a class A, AA, or B violation by a skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility, as specified.</p> <p>STATUS:</p> <p>05/27/2021 To SENATE Committees on HEALTH and JUDICIARY.</p> <p>Commentary001:</p> <p>ACOA sent LOS</p>
AB 328	<p>AUTHOR: Chiu [D]</p> <p>TITLE: Reentry Housing and Workforce Development Program</p> <p>FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes</p> <p>URGENCY CLAUSE: no</p> <p>INTRODUCED: 01/26/2021</p> <p>LAST AMEND: 03/17/2021</p> <p>DISPOSITION: Pending</p> <p>LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee</p> <p>SUMMARY:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>STATUS:</p> <p>05/21/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Coauthors revised.</p>
AB 329	<p>AUTHOR: Bonta [D]</p> <p>TITLE: Bail</p> <p>FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes</p> <p>URGENCY CLAUSE: no</p> <p>INTRODUCED: 01/27/2021</p> <p>DISPOSITION: Pending</p> <p>LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee</p> <p>SUMMARY:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>STATUS:</p> <p>03/23/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (5-2)</p>
AB 332	<p>AUTHOR: Env Safety & Toxic Material Cmt</p> <p>TITLE: Hazardous Waste: Treated Wood Waste: Management</p> <p>FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes</p>

URGENCY CLAUSE: yes
INTRODUCED: 01/27/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/20/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Senate Environmental Quality Committee
HEARING: 06/14/2021 9:00 am
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. Requires the wood preserving industry, as defined, to update the department, upon request, on trends within the wood preserving industry regarding the use of treated wood preservatives and the generation of treated wood waste.

STATUS:

06/03/2021 To SENATE Committees on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY and JUDICIARY.

Commentary002:

Signed on to coalition letter from RCRC.

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: SENATE
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:

06/02/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (53-9)

AB 361

AUTHOR: Rivas R [D]
TITLE: Open Meetings: Local Agencies: Teleconferences
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/01/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/10/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
SUMMARY:

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, provided certain requirements are met.

STATUS:
05/17/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (62-4)

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:

05/20/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Joint Rule 62(a) suspended.
05/20/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. Held in committee and made a Two-year bill.

AB 383

AUTHOR: Salas [D]
TITLE: Mental Health: Older Adults
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/02/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/22/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
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:

05/27/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (78-0)

Commentary001:

Advisory Council on Aging in support

AB 389

AUTHOR: Grayson [D]
TITLE: Ambulance Services
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/02/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
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:

06/02/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (66-0)

Commentary001:

Our sponsored bill

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:

05/20/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Held in committee.

Commentary001:

Sending LOS from EHSD. 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
LOCATION: Senate Governance and Finance Committee
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:

05/27/2021 To SENATE Committees on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE and ELECTIONS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

Commentary001:

LOS drafted.

AB 480

AUTHOR: Carrillo [D]
TITLE: Hazardous Substances
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes

URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/08/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/24/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
SUMMARY:

Revises a reporting requirement to require, for regulated facilities, a handler, or an employee, authorized representative, agent, or designee of the handler, to report a release or threatened release of a hazardous material, hazardous waste, or hazardous substance to the UPA and the Office of Emergency Services immediately upon discovery of the release or threatened release.

STATUS:

06/02/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (47-14)

Commentary001:

Consistent with Platform. LOS sent.

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
COMMITTEE: Senate Public Safety Committee
HEARING: 06/15/2021 1:30 pm
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:

05/19/2021 To SENATE Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY.

AB 523

AUTHOR: Nazarian [D]
TITLE: Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/10/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/03/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
SUMMARY:

Requires the department to make permanent the specified PACE program flexibilities instituted, on or before a specified date, in response to the state of emergency caused by Coronavirus disease 2019 by means of all-facility letters or other similar instructions taken without regulatory action, with prescribed modifications, such as instead limiting a PACE organization's use of telehealth to specified services, including conducting assessments for eligibility for enrollment in the PACE program.

STATUS:

05/27/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (78-0)

Commentary001:

Advisory Council on Aging sent LOS

AB 537

AUTHOR: Quirk [D]
TITLE: Wireless Telecommunications and Broadband Facilities
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/10/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/27/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
SUMMARY:

Removes the exemption for eligible facilities requests defined above. Requires that the time periods described above be determined pursuant to specified FCC rules. Requires that the city, county, or city and county notify the applicant of the incompleteness of an application within the time periods established by applicable FCC rules.

STATUS:

06/01/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (75-1)

Commentary001:

CSAC removes joint opposition

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: SENATE
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:

06/02/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (77-0)

AB 602

AUTHOR: Grayson [D]
TITLE: Development Fees: Impact Fee Nexus Study
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/11/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/04/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
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:

05/27/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (76-0)

Commentary001:

CSAC taking "oppose unless amended"

AB 624

AUTHOR: Bauer-Kahan [D]
TITLE: 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: SENATE
SUMMARY:

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

STATUS:

05/27/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (77-0)

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 Judiciary Committee
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.

STATUS:

06/08/2021 From SENATE Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY: Do pass to Committee on JUDICIARY. (4-0)

Commentary001:

UCC and CSAC Support

Commentary003:

LOS sent 4/5/21, consistent with Platform.

AB 640

AUTHOR: Cooley [D]
TITLE: Extended Foster Care: Eligibility Redetermination
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/12/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/12/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE

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:

06/01/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (80-0)

Commentary001:

CWDA sponsors; CSAC supports

AB 650

AUTHOR: Muratsuchi [D]
TITLE: Health Care Workers: COVID-19: Hazard Pay Retention
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/12/2021
LAST AMEND: 06/01/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
FILE: A-29
LOCATION: Assembly Inactive File
SUMMARY:

Requires a covered employer, as defined, to pay hazard pay retention bonuses in prescribed amounts to each covered health care worker, as defined, that it employs. Authorizes a covered employer to reduce the total sum of the hazard pay retention bonuses by an amount equal to qualifying hazard pay and qualifying monetary bonuses already paid to a covered health care worker during the state of emergency related to the Coronavirus pandemic, as provided.

STATUS:

06/03/2021 In ASSEMBLY. To Inactive File.

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: SENATE
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.

STATUS:

06/02/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (77-0)

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:

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

AB 808

AUTHOR: Stone [D]
TITLE: Foster Youth: Children's Crisis Continuum Pilot Program
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/16/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/24/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE

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:

06/01/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (80-0)

Commentary001:

LOS sent; consistent with Platform.

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: SENATE

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:

05/27/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (55-15)

Commentary001:

CSAC Oppose Unless Amended.

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

LOCATION: Senate Business, Professions & Economic Development Committee

SUMMARY:

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

STATUS:

06/07/2021 In SENATE Committee on BUSINESS, PROFESSIONS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Not heard.

Commentary001:

Send to Leg Com to recommend support.

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:

05/20/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Joint Rule 62(a) suspended.

05/20/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Held in committee.

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
LOCATION: Senate Governance and Finance Committee
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:

05/19/2021 To SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.

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]
TITLE: Mental Health: Mobile Crisis Support Teams: 988 Crisis
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: yes
INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/24/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
SUMMARY:

States the Legislature's intent to enact legislation that would implement the National Suicide Hotline Designation Act of 2020, in compliance with the Federal Communication Commission's rules adopted by July 16, 2022, designating 988 as a 3-digit number for the National Suicide Prevention Hotline.

STATUS:

06/02/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (69-0)

Commentary001:

Sponsored bill

AB 1041

AUTHOR: Wicks [D]
TITLE: Leave Issues
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/22/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
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:

05/28/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (52-16)

Commentary001:

CSAC and coalition opposes

AB 1051

AUTHOR: Bennett [D]
TITLE: 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: SENATE
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:

05/28/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (76-0)

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:

05/20/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. Held in committee and made a Two-year bill.

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.
STATUS:
05/20/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Held in committee.
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.
STATUS:
05/20/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. Held in committee and made a Two-year bill.
Commentary001:
CSAC Opposes with coalition letter

AB 1204

AUTHOR: Wicks [D]
TITLE: Hospital Equity Reporting
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/19/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/24/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
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 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:

06/02/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (53-18)

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]
TITLE: Medi-Cal Eligibility
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/19/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/24/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
SUMMARY:

Makes an individual who is incarcerated in a state prison or county jail eligible for the Medi-Cal program before they are released from that correctional facility if they otherwise meet Medi-Cal eligibility criteria but for their commitment in a correctional facility.

STATUS:

06/01/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (79-0)

AB 1225

AUTHOR: Waldron [R]
TITLE: 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:

05/20/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. Held in committee and made a Two-year bill.

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: 05/24/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
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:

06/01/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY. *****To SENATE. (80-0)

AB 1291

AUTHOR: Frazier [D]
TITLE: State Bodies: Open Meetings
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/19/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Appropriations Committee
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:

06/08/2021 From SENATE Committee on GOVERNMENTAL
ORGANIZATION: Do pass to Committee on
APPROPRIATIONS. (14-0)

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: SENATE
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:

05/27/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY.
*****To SENATE. (58-7)

AB 1304

AUTHOR: Santiago [D]
TITLE: Affirmatively Further Fair Housing: Housing Element
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/19/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/05/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Senate Housing Committee
HEARING: 06/17/2021
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:

05/27/2021 To SENATE Committees on HOUSING and JUDICIARY.

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:

Leg Com supported on May 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:

05/20/2021 In ASSEMBLY Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Held in committee.

Commentary001:

CSAC supports

ACA 1

AUTHOR: 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 supports. LOS sent.

AJR 4

AUTHOR: Garcia [D]
TITLE: Basel Convention: Ratification
INTRODUCED: 01/12/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Senate Environmental Quality Committee

HEARING: 06/14/2021 9:00 am

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]

TITLE: Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program: Surcharge

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes

URGENCY CLAUSE: yes

INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020

LAST AMEND: 05/20/2021

DISPOSITION: Pending

LOCATION: ASSEMBLY

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:

06/02/2021 In SENATE. Read third time, urgency clause adopted. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (31-5)

Commentary001:

CSAC supports

SB 8

AUTHOR: Skinner [D]

TITLE: Housing Crisis Act

FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes

URGENCY CLAUSE: no

INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020

LAST AMEND: 06/01/2021

DISPOSITION: Pending

COMMITTEE: Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee

HEARING: 06/22/2021 1:30 pm

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:

06/01/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT with author's amendments.

06/01/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENT.

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: Assembly Local Government Committee
HEARING: 06/09/2021 1:30 pm
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:

06/09/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Do pass to Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

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: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020
LAST AMEND: 05/26/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
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, or an urban infill site, as those terms are defined.

STATUS:

06/02/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (27-7)

Commentary001:

Watch, per Leg Com.

SB 16

AUTHOR: Skinner [D]
TITLE: Peace Officers: Release of Records
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020

LAST AMEND: 05/20/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
SUMMARY:

Makes every incident involving force that is unreasonable or excessive, and any sustained finding that an officer failed to intervene against another officer using 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:

06/02/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (31-3)

SB 17

AUTHOR: Pan [D]
TITLE: Office Of Racial Equity
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020
LAST AMEND: 05/20/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
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:

06/02/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (31-6)

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
FILE: A-16
LOCATION: Senate Inactive File
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:

05/28/2021 In SENATE. From third reading. To Inactive File.

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
LOCATION: Assembly Communications and Conveyance Committee
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.

STATUS:

05/28/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on COMMUNICATIONS AND CONVEYANCE and PRIVACY AND CONSUMER PROTECTION.

Commentary001:

CSAC watching. Members frustrated with ISBs.

SB 55

AUTHOR: Stern [D]
TITLE: 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 56

AUTHOR: Durazo [D]
TITLE: Medi-Cal: Eligibility
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 12/07/2020
LAST AMEND: 05/25/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
SUMMARY:

Extends eligibility for full-scope Medi-Cal benefits to individuals who are a certain age or older, and who are otherwise eligible for those benefits but for their immigration status.

STATUS:

06/02/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (29-7)

Commentary001:

EHSD requests LOS. Consistent with Platform.

SB 73

AUTHOR: Wiener [D]
TITLE: Probation: Eligibility: Crimes Controlled Substances
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 12/10/2020
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Assembly Public Safety Committee
HEARING: 06/15/2021 9:00 am
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:

05/13/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY.

Commentary001:

<https://www.sfchronicle.com/politics/article/Jail-time-for-nonviolent-drug-crimes-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.

STATUS:

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

Commentary001:

Leg Com recommended support.

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: Assembly Utilities and Energy 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:

05/28/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY.

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: A-25

LOCATION: Senate Inactive 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:

06/01/2021 In SENATE. From third reading. To Inactive File.

Commentary001:

Erick drafted LOS. Sent LOS; consistent with Platform.

Commentary002:

Advisory Council on Aging sent LOS

SB 110

AUTHOR: Wiener [D]
TITLE: Substance Use Disorder Services: Contingency Management
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 01/06/2021
LAST AMEND: 03/15/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
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:

06/01/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (39-0)

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
COMMITTEE: Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee
HEARING: 06/21/2021
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:

05/13/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on REVENUE AND TAXATION.

Commentary002:

CSAC joint support to Asm Revenue and Taxation

SB 222

AUTHOR: Dodd [D]
TITLE: Water Rate Assistance Program
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 01/14/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/20/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
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:

06/01/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (31-7)

Commentary001:

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

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.

STATUS:

05/20/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Held in committee.

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
FILE: A-44
LOCATION: Senate Inactive File
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.

STATUS:

06/03/2021 In SENATE. From third reading. To Inactive 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.

STATUS:

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]
TITLE: Public Employment: Labor Relations: Employee Data
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 01/28/2021
LAST AMEND: 04/15/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
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:

06/01/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (30-10)

SB 271

AUTHOR: Wiener [D]
TITLE: County Sheriffs: Eligibility Requirements
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 01/28/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Senate Governance and Finance Committee
SUMMARY:

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

STATUS:

05/06/2021 In SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE:
Not heard.

Commentary001:

<https://www.eastbaytimes.com/2021/02/20/bay-area-lawmakers-bill-looks-to-reset-what-a-california-sheriff-can-be/>

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: ASSEMBLY
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:

06/01/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (35-0)

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: ASSEMBLY
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.

STATUS:

06/01/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To

ASSEMBLY. (29-8)

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
LOCATION: Assembly Appropriations Committee
SUMMARY:

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

STATUS:

06/08/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT:
Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (5-2)

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
LOCATION: Assembly Elections Committee
SUMMARY:

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

STATUS:

05/20/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on ELECTIONS.

Commentary001:

CSAC to oppose

SB 465

AUTHOR: Eggman [D]
TITLE: Mental Health
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/16/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/20/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
SUMMARY:

Requires the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission to report to specified legislative committees the outcomes for people receiving community mental health services under a full service partnership model, as specified, including any barriers to receiving the data and recommendations to strengthen California's use of full service partnerships to reduce incarceration, hospitalization, and homelessness.

STATUS:

	06/01/2021	In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (39-0)
SB 493	AUTHOR: TITLE: FISCAL COMMITTEE: URGENCY CLAUSE: INTRODUCED: LAST AMEND: DISPOSITION: LOCATION: SUMMARY:	Bradford [D] Local Government Financing: Juvenile Justice yes no 02/17/2021 03/23/2021 Pending Senate Appropriations Committee 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: 05/20/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Held in committee. Commentary002: CSAC OPPOSED
SB 504	AUTHOR: TITLE: FISCAL COMMITTEE: URGENCY CLAUSE: INTRODUCED: DISPOSITION: LOCATION: SUMMARY:	Becker [D] Elections: Voter Registration yes no 02/17/2021 Pending ASSEMBLY 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: 06/03/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (39-0) Commentary001: CSAC supports
SB 515	AUTHOR: TITLE: FISCAL COMMITTEE: URGENCY CLAUSE: INTRODUCED: LAST AMEND: DISPOSITION: LOCATION: SUMMARY:	Pan [D] Long-Term Services and Supports Benefit Task Force yes no 02/17/2021 04/12/2021 Pending Senate Human Services Committee 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 Commentary001: CSAC supports	In SENATE Committee on HUMAN SERVICES: Not heard.
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 LOCATION: Assembly Health Committee 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:	
	05/20/2021 Commentary001: CBHDA has Oppose	To ASSEMBLY Committees on HEALTH and JUDICIARY.
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: ASSEMBLY 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:	
	06/01/2021 Commentary001: voluntary system	In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (39-0)
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: Assembly Local Government Committee
HEARING: 06/09/2021 1:30 pm
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:

06/09/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Do pass to Committee on COMMUNICATIONS AND CONVEYANCE.

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:

05/20/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Held in committee.

SB 586

AUTHOR: Bradford [D]
TITLE: Criminal Fees
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/25/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
SUMMARY:

Relates to an existing law which imposes various fees contingent upon a criminal arrest, prosecution, or conviction for the cost of administering the criminal justice system, including lab fees, drug testing, and incarceration, among others. Repeals the authority to collect many of these fees, among others. Makes the unpaid balance of many court-imposed costs unenforceable and uncollectible and requires any portion of a judgment imposing those costs to be vacated.

STATUS:

06/02/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (30-7)

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
LOCATION: Assembly Elections Committee
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.

STATUS:

05/20/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on ELECTIONS and LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

SB 606

AUTHOR: Gonzalez [D]
TITLE: Workplace Safety Violations: Employer Retaliation
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/18/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/20/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
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:

06/02/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (28-7)

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: 05/20/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
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:

06/01/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (33-6)

Commentary001:

Sent LOS. Consistent with amended Platform.

SB 617

AUTHOR: Wiener [D]
TITLE: 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.

STATUS:

05/20/2021 In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Held in committee.

Commentary001:

May Leg Com agenda. Watch.

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: Assembly Natural Resources 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:

05/28/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

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
LOCATION: Assembly Local Government Committee
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:

05/28/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

Commentary001:

CSAC notes problematic provision about going to tribe to get economic benefits; strange imposition on counties.

SB 749

AUTHOR: Glazer [D]
TITLE: Mental Health Program Oversight: County Reporting
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/19/2021
LAST AMEND: 05/25/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
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:

06/02/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (38-0)

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
LOCATION: Assembly Health Committee
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:

05/20/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on HEALTH and JUDICIARY.

SB 784

AUTHOR: Glazer [D]
TITLE: State Government: Emergency Services: Nonprofit Service
FISCAL COMMITTEE: yes

URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/19/2021
LAST AMEND: 06/03/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
COMMITTEE: Assembly Emergency Management Committee
HEARING: 06/14/2021
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:

06/03/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT with author's amendments.

06/03/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

SB 788

AUTHOR: Bradford [D]
TITLE: Workers' Compensation: Risk Factors
FISCAL COMMITTEE: no
URGENCY CLAUSE: no
INTRODUCED: 02/19/2021
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: ASSEMBLY
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:

06/02/2021 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (37-0)

CA SCR 17

AUTHOR: Leyva [D]
TITLE: 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.



Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors

Subcommittee Report

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

5.

Meeting Date: 06/14/2021
Subject: AB 844 (Grayson) Empowerment Zone for the Northern Waterfront Area
Submitted For: LEGISLATION COMMITTEE,
Department: County Administrator
Referral No.: 2021-19
Referral Name: AB 844 (Grayson)
Presenter: Amalia Cunningham, DCD **Contact:** L. DeLaney, 925-655-2057

Referral History:

Staff in the Department of Conservation and Development (DCD) have been tracking and reviewing AB 844 (Grayson) Empowerment Zone for the Northern Waterfront Area since its introduction this year. AB 844 would establish a Green Empowerment Zone (Green EZ) for the Northern Waterfront area of the Counties of Contra Costa and Solano until January 1, 2028. It would also task the Green Empowerment Zone (EZ) with various duties, and would require the Green EZ to report to the Legislature.

Appreciative to our local legislator, Assembly Member Tim Grayson, and supportive of the intent of the bill, staff recommends the Legislation Committee consider a "support" recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. However, they offer the following amendments for consideration:

1. Give consideration to changing the provisions that authorize the Association of Bay Area Governments (ABAG) to nominate the board representatives from the economic development and workforce development sectors (sections 7599.101 (b)(4) and (b)(7)).
2. An alternate process could be for the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-Biz) or a local economic development agency to nominate the economic development representatives.
3. Relative to the 5 directors representing workforce development and education, greater specificity of the seat composition would be helpful to ensure representation from both Solano Community College & Contra Costa Community College Districts.

In general, the size of this board may create challenges. Also, the bill does not presently indicate who will provide staff support of the board.

Referral Update:

AB 844

Author: Timothy S. Grayson (D-014)
Coauthor: Dodd (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

Location: Senate Business, Professions & Economic Development Committee

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

Status: 06/07/2021 In SENATE Committee on BUSINESS, PROFESSIONS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Not heard.

Full Status

02/17/2021 INTRODUCED.

03/18/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on JOBS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE ECONOMY.

03/18/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on JOBS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE ECONOMY with author's amendments.

03/18/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on JOBS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE ECONOMY.

04/21/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on JOBS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE ECONOMY with author's amendments.

04/21/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on JOBS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE ECONOMY.

04/27/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on JOBS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE ECONOMY: Do pass as amended. To Consent Calendar. (6-0)

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

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

05/10/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read third time. Passed ASSEMBLY. *****To SENATE. (74-0)

05/19/2021 To SENATE Committees on BUSINESS, PROFESSIONS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.

06/07/2021 In SENATE Committee on BUSINESS, PROFESSIONS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Not heard.

2021 CA A 844: Bill Analysis - 06/03/2021 - Senate Bus, Prof and Econ Dev Committee, Hearing Date 06/07/2021

SENATE COMMITTEE ON
BUSINESS, PROFESSIONS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Senator Richard Roth, Chair
2021 - 2022 Regular

Bill No:	AB 844	Hearing Date:	June 7, 2021
Author:	Grayson		
Version:	May 4, 2021		
Urgency:	No	Fiscal:	No
Consultant:	Dana Shaker		

Subject: Green Empowerment Zone for the Northern Waterfront area of the Counties of Contra Costa and Solano

NOTE:

Double-referral to Senate Governance and Finance Committee, Second

SUMMARY:

Authorizes establishment of a Green Empowerment Zone (Green EZ) for the Northern Waterfront area of the Counties of Contra Costa and Solano until January 1, 2028; tasks the Green EZ with various duties, and requires the

Green EZ to report to the Legislature.

Existing law:

- 1) Establishes the GO-Biz within the Governor's Office for the purpose of serving as the lead state agency for economic strategy and marketing of California on issues relating to business development, private sector investment, and economic growth. (Government Code (GOV) Section ; 12096-12098.5)
- 2) Authorizes GO-Biz to make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature on new state policies, programs, and actions, or amendments to existing programs, advance statewide economic goals and respond to emerging economic problems and opportunities, and ensure that all state policies and programs conform to the state economic and business development goals, among other things. (GOV Section 12096.3 (b))
- 3) Requires the California Air Resources board (CARB) to determine the 1990 statewide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions level and ensure statewide GHG emissions are reduced to 40% below the 1990 level by 2030, and adopt GHG emissions reductions measures by regulation. (Health and Safety Code (HSC) Section ; 38566, 38500 et seq.)
- 4) Requires increased the Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS) requirement from 50 to 60 percent by 2030, and created a policy which endeavors to meet all of the state's retail electricity supply with a mix of RPS-eligible and zero-carbon resources by December 31, 2045. (Public Utilities Code (PUC) Section ; 399.11 et seq., 454.53)

This bill:

- 1) Authorizes establishment of a Green EZ for the Northern Waterfront area of the Counties of Contra Costa and Solano until January 1, 2028.
- 2) States that the purpose of the Green EZ is to build upon the comparative advantage provided by the regional concentration of highly skilled energy industry workers by prioritizing access to tax incentives, grants, loan programs, workforce training programs, and private sector investment in the renewable energy sector.
- 3) Specifies particular cities that the Green EZ may include. Establishes that the Green EZ's Board of Directors may add additional members.
- 4) Establishes that the Green EZ Board of Directors will be comprised of seven stakeholder groups, including local government, large employers, state government, small business and economic development, universities, laboratories, and foundations, the largest private sector organized labor organizations, and workforce development and public and private educational entities. Establishes that every member of the United States Congress representing a city, as specified, shall be ex officio voting members of the Board of Directors. Specifies that members of the Board shall serve without compensation and procedures for handling a conflict of interest.
- 5) Tasks the Green EZ with various duties, including but not limited to identification of projects and programs that will best utilize public dollars and improve the economic vitality of the Northern Waterfront area of the Counties of Contra Costa and Solano in a coordinated effort to address the just transition to a clean energy economy.
- 6) Requires the Board make recommendations to the Governor that would improve the economic well-being of the region and the quality of life of its residents.
- 7) Requires the Green EZ to produce a report each year that includes recommendations for action by the Legislature and the progress of the zone, and to post the report on its internet website, as specified.
- 8) Makes findings and declarations as to a special statute for the Counties of Contra Costa and Solano.

COMMENTS:

1. Purpose. The Author is the Sponsor of this bill. According to the Author, "AB 844 will create the Green Empowerment Zone for the Northern Waterfront area of the Counties of Contra Costa and Solano, to prioritize access to tax incentives, grants, loan programs, workforce training programs, and private sector investment in the clean and green energy sector. The Bay Area is the second largest oil refining center on the West Coast and home to

five refineries. In light of the Governor's recent executive orders, and the potential for the loss of thousands of high-paying union jobs, it is imperative that an equitable transition to clean energy be a priority for Federal, State, and local stakeholders."

2. Background.

Promise Zones and Opportunity Zones as Efforts to Increase Economic Development. In the last decade, efforts such as Promise Zones and Opportunity Zones have emerged as a way to support the country's most disadvantaged and economically-distressed geographical locations and communities. Generally speaking, Promise Zones are high-poverty areas that are eligible for various tax credits in order to create jobs and spur investment. These zones also receive governmental aid and partnership in the form of assistance to reduce crime and recidivism, as well as increase educational opportunities. There are currently 22 Promise Zones in the United States.

Originally created via the federal 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Acts, Opportunity Zones are economically-distressed areas where private investments may be eligible for capital gain tax incentives, under certain conditions. According to the Brookings Institute, "Opportunity Zones offer favorable capital gains treatment for taxpayers with unrealized gains who invest in designated low-income communities." Only investors with pre-existing capital gains and those who anticipate facing future capital gains taxes qualify for Opportunity Zone tax benefits. Both of these efforts are examples of programs meant to increase economic development in areas that need assistance.

California's Green Energy and Economy Efforts. California has been a leader in prioritizing green energy and a green economy. In 2006, AB 32 (Nunez, Chapter 488, Statutes of 2006) required CARB to determine the 1990 statewide greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions level and approve a statewide GHG emissions limit that was equivalent to that level, to be achieved by 2020, and to adopt GHG emissions reductions measures by regulation. AB 32 (Pavley, Chapter 249, Statutes of 2016) modified this goal slightly, requiring CARB to ensure statewide GHG emissions are reduced to 40% below the 1990 level by 2030. In 2018, Governor Jerry Brown signed SB 100 (De Leon, Chapter 312, Statutes of 2018), which increased the Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS) requirement from 50 to 60 percent by 2030, and created a policy which endeavors to meet all of the state's retail electricity supply with a mix of RPS-eligible and zero-carbon resources by December 31, 2045. Governor Brown also signed an Executive Order in 2018 requiring that California reduce its net output of greenhouse gases to zero by 2045. Governor Newsom has engaged in a number of climate-related efforts as well, including issuing an Executive Order requiring sales of all new passenger vehicles to be zero-emission by 2035, requiring the end of new permits for hydraulic fracturing (or "fracking") by January 2024, and requesting that CARB analyze how to phase out oil extraction in California by 2045. According to the EPA, the oil and gas sector, and refineries specifically, are some of the highest overall contributors to GHG emissions.

Contra Costa and Solano Counties, Oil Refineries, and their Economies. According to the Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation, in 2017 the Oil and Gas Industry in California provided 152,100 direct employment jobs and 365,970 jobs in the state, which makes up about 1.6% of the state's overall employment. The Bay Area is the second largest oil refining center on the West Coast. It is home to five refineries; four of those five refineries are in Contra Costa County.

Given the state's mandates and goals to produce a clean-energy economy in the next few decades, the Author says "it is a matter of equity and economic justice that we support the growth of high-paying jobs and industry to replace the ones that are being phased out." The phasing out of industries such as coal in West Virginia without a transition plan have had a devastating effect on the state's economy in regions where the coal industry was a primary employer. For example, where the coal industry used to provide more than 100,000 jobs to West Virginians in the 1950s, it now provides less than 20,000. The region is also grappling with increased drug addiction rates. This bill is the Author's attempt to avoid a similar outcome in his district.

3. Arguments in Support. The California Professional Firefighters write in support: "Covering a number of cities throughout both Contra Costa and Solano Counties, the newly established Green Empowerment Zone would seek to encourage and prioritize investments and projects that both revitalize the economies of its local jurisdictions as well as advance important sustainability goals. The Green Empowerment Zone will be governed by a board of directors comprised of individuals representing the local government entities that have opted into the program, employers, labor groups, state agencies, and others. By bringing together a diverse coalition of experts and representatives of their communities, this board seeks to identify the projects that are best suited to the overall goals of the Green

Empowerment Zone, as well as reviewing policies and legislation to ensure that they are beneficial to the represented counties and local jurisdictions.

The ongoing movement towards a greener economy, energy production, and manufacturing requires must be undertaken thoughtfully to ensure that communities and individuals are not harmed by rapid changes to previously established systems. AB 844 seeks to bring together representatives of communities that are at the center of much of this transition, and empowers them to advocate for projects, programs, and investments that best address these changes and growth."

4. Concerns. The Solano County Board of Supervisors writes with both questions and concerns: "One key question is the geographic scope of the bill. It references 3 cities in Solano County (Vallejo, Benicia and Suisun City) and the County of Solano. The Solano waterfront extends from San Pablo Bay and the Carquinez Strait all the way to the Sacramento/San Joaquin Delta. Does the bill intend to span the full breadth of this waterfront or a smaller geographic area? Would areas such as the city of Rio Vista or community of Collinsville be included under the scope of this bill. Also, the bill references "the northern waterfront areas of the Counties of Contra Costa and Solano". The text should be amended to note it is the southern waterfront of Solano County. Overall, the County recommends the bill language be tightened up to clarify geographic scope and extent and the legislative intent for these areas.

The key concern with the bill that might be able to be addressed with clarifying language is possible conflict of certain forms of green energy development (Wind turbine farms and commercial scale solar) As you know, the Travis Air Force Base (TAFB) is one of the largest employers in the County and operations at the base generate multiplied economic activity in the surrounding communities. While Solano County is supportive of alternative and green energy solutions, the establishment of wind turbines in the vicinity of TAFB in particular is incompatible with TAFB operations and air radar equipment used for national security purposes of the base and safe movement of all types of aircraft through the region. In short, wind turbines create radar interference that negatively affect air traffic control at TAFB. While the subject bill does not directly address wind energy development, it is unclear in current language if it could be interpreted to facilitate wind turbines and large scale wind energy projects Solano County currently has a moratorium on wind turbine development and the TAFB Land Use Compatibility Plan administered by the Solano County Airport Commission contains provision limiting wind turbine development. The County also prohibits commercial scale solar development in agricultural zones to preserve active agriculture and to minimize possible glare impacts on aircraft. The County's request is the bill include language requiring compliance with local ordinances addressing wind turbine, commercial scale solar and utility projects."

SUPPORT AND OPPOSITION:

Support:

California Professional Firefighters

Opposition:

Solano County Board of Supervisors

Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):

CONSIDER recommending to the Board of Supervisors a position of "Support" on AB 844 (Grayson) Empowerment Zone for the Northern Waterfront Area and direct 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: 06/14/2021
Subject: SB 594 (Glazer) Elections: Local Redistricting
Submitted For: LEGISLATION COMMITTEE,
Department: County Administrator
Referral No.: 2021-20
Referral Name:
Presenter: David Twa **Contact:** L. DeLaney, 925-655-2057

Referral History:

SB 594 (Glazer) has been tracked and reviewed by staff and by retired County Administrator, David Twa, since its introduction. As there may be implications from the bill on the County's upcoming redistricting process, the Committee may wish to consider recommending that the Board of Supervisors take a position of "support" on the bill.

Referral Update:

SB 594

Author: Steven M. Glazer (D-007)
Title: Elections: Local Redistricting
Fiscal Committee: no
Urgency Clause: yes
Introduced: 02/18/2021
Last Amend: 05/03/2021
Disposition: Pending

Location: Assembly Elections Committee

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.

Status: 05/20/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on ELECTIONS and LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

Full Status

02/18/2021 INTRODUCED.

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

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

03/03/2021 To SENATE Committee on RULES.

03/04/2021 From SENATE Committee on RULES with author's amendments.

03/04/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on RULES.

03/18/2021 Re-referred to SENATE Committees on ELECTIONS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS and GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.

04/05/2021 From SENATE Committee on ELECTIONS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS with author's amendments.

04/05/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on ELECTIONS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

04/12/2021 From SENATE Committee on ELECTIONS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS: Do pass to Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE. (5-0)

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.

05/06/2021 From SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE: Do pass. To Consent Calendar. (5-0)

05/11/2021 In SENATE. Read second time. To Consent Calendar.

05/13/2021 In SENATE. Read third time, urgency clause adopted. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY. (38-0)

05/20/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on ELECTIONS and LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

2021 CA S 594: Bill Analysis - 05/12/2021 - Senate Floor

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CONSENT

Bill No: SB 594

Author: Glazer (D)

Amended: 5/3/21

Vote: 27 - Urgency

SENATE ELECTIONS & C.A. COMMITTEE: 5-0, 4/12/21

AYES: Glazer, Nielsen, Hertzberg, Leyva, Newman

AYES: McGuire, Nielsen, Durazo, Hertzberg, Wiener

SUBJECT: Elections: local redistricting

SOURCE: Author

DIGEST:

This bill clarifies the process and deadlines for county and city redistricting. This bill also requires that, notwithstanding any other date specified in law, special districts redistrict more than 180 days before the district's next regular election occurring after January 1 of each year ending in the number two.

ANALYSIS:

Existing law:

- 1) Requires a county board of supervisors or a city council, when those governing bodies are elected by district, to adopt district boundaries following each federal decennial census so that each district within that county or city is substantially equal in population as required by the United States Constitution and complies with other criteria, as specified.
- 2) Provides different redistricting deadlines for counties and cities based on the timing of their regular elections. Specifically, provides that:
 - a) For redistricting occurring before 2031 and where a county or a city has a regular election occurring after January 1, 2022, and before July 1, 2022, the boundaries of the districts shall be adopted by the governing body not later than 174 days before that election.
 - b) For redistricting occurring before 2031 and where a county or a city does not have a regular election occurring after January 1, 2022, and before July 1, 2022, the boundaries of the districts shall be adopted by the local jurisdiction not later than 205 days before the governing body's next regular election occurring on or after July 1, 2022.
 - c) For redistricting occurring in 2031 and thereafter, the boundaries of the districts shall be adopted by the county or the city not later than 205 days before the governing body's next regular election occurring after January 1 in each year ending in the number two.
 - d) These deadlines do not apply to a charter city that has adopted a different redistricting deadline by ordinance or in its city charter.
- 3) Provides that, if a county or city fails to redistrict by the above deadlines, the governing body shall petition the superior court for an order adopting boundaries. Provides that the superior court's order is immediately effective in the same manner as an enacted ordinance or resolution of the governing body.
- 4) Provides, generally, that county boards of supervisors and city councils may pass resolutions or ordinances by majority vote.

- 5) Provides that a city council may adopt district boundaries by ordinance or resolution.
- 6) Provides, as to county and city ordinances, all of the following:
 - a) That an ordinance shall not be passed within five days of its introduction, nor at other than a regular meeting or at an adjourned regular meeting, except as specified.
 - b) That, when an ordinance is altered after introduction, it shall be passed only at a regular or at an adjourned regular meeting held at least five days after alteration, except as specified.
 - c) That, within 15 days after the passage of an ordinance, it shall be published once, with the names of the members voting for and against the ordinance, in a newspaper published in the jurisdiction, except as specified.
 - d) That an ordinance is effective 30 days from the date of final passage, except, among other enumerated exceptions, an ordinance relating to an election or an ordinance passed by a four-fifths vote which is for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, both of which shall take effect immediately.
- 7) Requires, generally, that a special district whose governing board is elected by division adjust those division boundaries after each federal decennial census so that the divisions are, as far as practicable, equal in population, and authorizes the governing board to consider other factors in adjusting division boundaries, as specified.
- 8) Provides, generally, that a special district shall adjust its governing board's division boundaries by resolution.
- 9) Provides, generally, that no change in special district division boundaries may be made within 180 days preceding the election of any director.
- 10) Provides, for some types of special districts, and for some individual special districts, different redistricting deadlines.
- 11) Requires, if the board of directors of a community services district, a fire protection district, a recreation and park district, or the Central Contra Costa Sanitary District (CCCSD) is elected by divisions, that the board adjust the boundaries of the divisions before November 1 of the year following the year in which each decennial census is taken.

This bill:

- 1) Provides that a county board of supervisors may adopt district boundaries by ordinance or resolution.
- 2) Defines, for city and county districting or redistricting, the "adoption" of district boundaries to mean "the passage of an ordinance or resolution specifying those boundaries."
- 3) 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.
- 4) Provides that, notwithstanding any other date specified in law, the board of directors of a

special district that is required to adjust division boundaries after each federal decennial census shall adopt the adjusted boundaries of the divisions prior to 180 days before the district's next regular election occurring after January 1 of each year ending in the number two. Clarifies that the date of the resolution's adoption is the date of passage of the resolution by the board.

5) Amends the redistricting deadline for community services districts, fire protection districts, recreation and park districts, and the CCCSD to provide that the governing boards of those special districts shall redistrict in accordance with the general deadline for special districts.

6) Makes technical and conforming changes.

7) Contains an urgency clause.

Background

Redistricting and Census Data. Redistricting is the process of redrawing election district boundaries to create equally-populated districts. The United States Supreme Court has held that periodic redistricting, generally occurring at least every ten years, is required for all legislative bodies that are elected by district, including the United States House of Representatives, state legislatures, and the governing bodies of local jurisdictions.

Redistricting at all levels of government is usually performed using federal decennial census data, which provides population data down to the block level. State law expressly requires that counties, cities, and special districts redistrict using census data.

Census Data Release Delays. Under federal law, the decennial census counts the United States population as of April 1 in every year ending in the number zero, although the United States Census Bureau's (Bureau's) data collection efforts extend beyond that date. Federal law requires that block-level population and demographic data be delivered to states for use in congressional and legislative redistricting no later than April 1 of the year after the census, e.g. April 1, 2022.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Bureau was unable to deliver census redistricting data to the states by that deadline this year. After a series of announced data release delays, the Bureau is now estimating that census redistricting data will be available in a "legacy format" no later than August 16, 2021. The Bureau will also provide a redistricting dataset in its standard format by September 30, 2021.

The Statewide Database (SWDB), which is housed at UC Berkeley School of Law and produces California's official redistricting database, has indicated that it can convert the legacy format census data into a format that is useable for redistricting by late August 2021. The SWDB is also creating a database of census data which has been adjusted to count persons incarcerated in a state correctional facility at their last known residential address instead of that facility, which counties and cities are required to use for redistricting. The SWDB has estimated it can produce this adjusted dataset from the legacy format census data by late September.

Local Redistricting Deadlines. In 2020, the Legislature passed AB 1276 (Bonta, Chapter 90, Statutes of 2020), which adjusted county and city redistricting deadlines to provide more time for a signature-in-lieu of filing fee petition process and in response to early announcements of potential delays in the release of census data. Under this law, counties and cities must generally complete the redistricting process at least 205 days before their next regular election after January

1 in a year ending in two. However, for counties and cities with regular elections between January 1 and July 1, 2022, the deadline is 174 days before that election.

Also in 2020, the Legislature passed SB 970 (Umberg, Chapter 111, Statutes of 2020), which moved the date of the statewide primary from March to June in gubernatorial election years. As a result of AB 1276 and SB 970, counties and cities consolidating elections with the June 2022 primary have a December 15, 2021, redistricting deadline, or a little over two months after the SWDB estimates that adjusted census data may be available. Cities consolidating elections with the November 2022 general election have an April 17, 2022 deadline. Charter cities, regardless of the timing of their elections, may adopt different deadlines.

The general deadline for special district redistricting, which must occur after the decennial census but not within 180 days of a governing board election, was not changed last session. However, after moving the primary date to June, special districts consolidating their elections with the primary must now redistrict prior to December 9, 2021. Special districts that consolidate their elections with the November 2022 general election must redistrict prior to May 12, 2022. Some special districts also have different deadlines specified in their enabling acts.

City and County Redistricting: Ordinance and Resolution Effective Dates. Under state law, a county or city ordinance is generally effective 30 days after being passed by a county board of supervisors or city council, which includes redistricting ordinances. (See *Ortiz v. Board of Supervisors of Madera County*, 107 Cal. App. 3d 866 (1980).) State law does not specify an effective date for resolutions. However, courts have implied a 30-day effective date to resolutions that are subject to referendum, which would likely include redistricting resolutions. (See *Midway Orchards v. County of Butte*, 220 Cal. App. 3d 765 (1990).)

Because redistricting ordinances and resolutions likely go into effect 30 days after passage, some local governments believe there is ambiguity as to whether the local deadline to "adopt" county supervisorial districts and city council districts refers to the date an ordinance or resolution is passed by the board or council, or the date that ordinance or resolution becomes effective. The latter interpretation would further compress the time that local governing boards have to pass new election district maps following the delayed release of census data.

SB 594 clarifies that, for county, city, and special district redistricting, adoption means the date a redistricting ordinance or resolution is passed.

County Redistricting by Resolution. For cities, state law specifies that redistricting may be done "by ordinance or resolution." However, state law is silent as to the type of local legislation that counties may use to redistrict. Faced with this possible ambiguity, many counties will redistrict by ordinance, which may impose some additional timing and procedural constraints on the redistricting process.

Under state law, counties must follow certain procedures to enact ordinances that are not required for passing a resolution. For example, unlike resolutions, an ordinance must have two readings, can only be adopted at a regular meeting or adjourned regular meeting at least five days after the introduction or last amendment of the proposed ordinance, and must be published in a newspaper after being passed, except as specified.

SB 594 expressly authorizes counties to redistrict by ordinance or resolution. While resolutions are not subject to the notice and publication requirements associated with ordinances, counties

would still have to comply with redistricting-specific public notice and transparency requirements. For example, counties are required to hold four public hearings before adopting a redistricting map and a draft map must be published online for seven days (or three days in the final 28 days before the deadline to redistrict) prior to being adopted.

Special Districts with Early Redistricting Deadlines. As discussed above, under current law special districts are generally required to redistrict following each federal decennial census but cannot change division boundaries within 180 days of a regular election. This deadline applies to a special district "required by its authorizing act to adjust division boundaries pursuant to this section."

However, some types of special districts, and some individual special districts, have unique redistricting deadlines set in statute that do not follow this default deadline. In many cases, these specific deadlines are much earlier than the default deadline and may be difficult to comply with this year because of the census data release delays. For example, community services districts, fire protection districts, recreation and park districts, and the CCCSD all have a deadline of November 1 in the year following the year in which the census is taken, e.g. November 1, 2021.

SB 594 provides that, notwithstanding any other law, special districts shall redistrict prior to 180 days before the district's next regular election after January 1 in every year ending in two. This bill also eliminates the specific November 1 deadline for the special districts described above.

Comments

According to the author, due to COVID-19-related delays in the release of census data, the local redistricting process will be significantly compressed this year compared with prior cycles, which will reduce the time available for public and community participation and local government deliberation. This is especially the case for cities and counties with June 2022 elections, which will have around two months to draft new district maps, solicit the public's input, and adopt new district boundaries.

SB 594 makes a number of changes to ensure there is as much time as possible for line-drawing and public and community participation despite the constraints of this delayed census data. First, SB 594 clarifies that the deadline for city, county, and special district redistricting is the date for passing an ordinance or resolution, not its effective date. Ordinances and resolutions only go into effect 30 days after being passed, and some local governments with June 2022 elections are operating under the assumption that they must adopt district maps by November 15 to be effective in time for the December 15, 2021 deadline, which would leave a little over one month to redistrict. SB 594 also clarifies that counties may redistrict by resolution, instead of by ordinance, which is already expressly allowed for cities. By eliminating the need to redistrict by ordinance, which have second reading requirements that mostly duplicate other redistricting-specific notice requirements, counties and the public may gain up to a few extra weeks to deliberate before adopting maps.

Finally, SB 594 requires all special districts, notwithstanding any other law, to redistrict their electoral divisions more than 180 days before the special district's next regular election after January 1, 2022. This uniform standard, requested by the California Special Districts Association, provides a more workable redistricting deadline based on the timing of a district's elections.

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

SUPPORT: (Verified 5/11/21)

Association of California Water Agencies

California Special Districts Association

County of San Diego Independent Redistricting Commission

League of Women Voters of California

Placer County

Sacramento County Board of Supervisors

OPPOSITION: (Verified 5/11/21)

None received

ARGUMENTS IN SUPPORT: In a letter supporting SB 594, the League of Women Voters of California (LWVC) stated, in part, the following:

The LWVC believes that redistricting at all levels of government should include opportunities for robust public participation. ... The anticipated delay in receiving the census data needed to draw new maps means that cities and counties may not have sufficient time to carry out the redistricting process. SB 594 is one technical clarification that takes a first step in protecting the redistricting process and the timeline for public input.

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Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):

CONSIDER recommending to the Board of Supervisors a position of "Support" on SB 594 (Glazer) and direct staff on its placement on a Board agenda.

Attachments

No file(s) attached.



Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors

Subcommittee Report

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

7.

Meeting Date: 06/14/2021
Subject: Federal Update
Submitted For: LEGISLATION COMMITTEE,
Department: County Administrator
Referral No.: 2021-18
Referral Name: Federal Legislation of Interest
Presenter: L. DeLaney and Alcalde & Fay **Contact:** L. DeLaney, 925-655-2057

Referral History:

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

Referral Update:

Our federal advocate from Alcalde & Fay, Paul Schlesinger, informed County staff that the Senate Commerce and Banking Committees were marking up their titles of the transportation reauthorization bill the week of June 14. With regard to the [House Transportation Reauthorization](#) bill, projects included in Contra Costa County include the following:

- Project #148, Hwy 24 LaMorinda Smart Signal System/Orinda & Lafayette – \$2 million
- #166, Market Avenue Complete Streets, North Richmond, \$2.17 million
- #171, Mobility for All Project, North Richmond and Bay Point, \$2 million
- Richmond Parkway Transit Center and Freeway Access Improvements, Richmond, \$1 million
- #204, Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Clara Counties, SF Bay Regional Advance Mitigation Program, \$5 million
- #205, City of Pinole, San Pablo Avenue Rehab, City Limits to Pinole Shores, \$742,000
- #231, Traffic Signal Upgrades on I-680 project, Danville, Walnut Crk, Concord, Pleasant Hill, \$6 million
- #241, Vasco Road Safety Improvements, Phase II, \$3.905 million
- #78, Appian Way Pedestrian Crossing Enhancements, \$2.0 million
- #254, Ygnacio Valley Road Project, Walnut Creek, \$1 million

(Highlighted projects are those sponsored by Contra Costa County Public Works Department.)

CSAC Update from Washington DC

May 27, 2021

Senate Panel Advances Highway Reauthorization Bill

On May 26, the Senate Environment & Public Works (EPW) Committee unanimously voted to advance a five-year highway reauthorization measure. The bill, known as the Surface Transportation Reauthorization Act (STRA) of 2021, sets a baseline funding level of \$303.5 billion for highways, roads, and bridges. The proposed funding represents an increase of 34 percent when compared to the levels authorized by the previous long-term surface transportation law (FAST Act; PL 114-94). During committee consideration, the panel agreed to incorporate approximately 90 noncontroversial provisions put forward by lawmakers on the committee. Despite the largely bipartisan nature of the markup, Senators Ed Markey (D-MA) and Dan Sullivan (R-AK) offered an amendment that garnered some pushback from GOP leaders. The proposal, which was narrowly approved, would direct an additional \$200 million to connect walking and biking infrastructure into active transportation networks. Those opposing the measure noted that the legislation already directs \$7.2 billion for alternative transportation projects. Other select highlights of the legislation include:

Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program

- Increases the off-system bridge set-aside. Under the bill, not less than 20 percent of a state's STBG allocation would need to be spent on bridges that are located off of the Federal-aid highway system (up from 15 percent under current law).
- Creates a new set-aside for transportation projects in rural areas.
- Creates a new population tranche for STBG sub-allocated funds (new category is for areas with a population of 50,000 to 200,000).
- Increases the amount of funding set aside for the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and increases the minimum percentage of TAP funding that is sub-allocated on the basis of population.
- Adds new eligibilities to STBG, including construction of wildlife crossing structures, electric vehicle charging infrastructure and vehicle-to-grid infrastructure, installation and deployment of intelligent transportation technologies, projects that facilitate intermodal connections between emerging transportation technologies, resilience features, cybersecurity protections, etc.

Bridge Investment Program

- Creates a new competitive grant program to assist State, local, and tribal governments in rehabilitating or replacing bridges, including culverts; includes eligibility for large projects and bundling of smaller bridges. Authorized at \$600 million in FY 2022, with the authorization level rising to \$700 million in FY 2026.

Rural Surface Transportation Grant Program

- Creates a new rural surface transportation grant program whereby DOT is authorized to provide grants, on a competitive basis, to eligible entities to improve and expand transportation infrastructure in rural areas. The goals of the program include increasing connectivity, improving safety and reliability of the movement of people and freight, and the generation of regional economic growth.

National Highway Performance Program

- Augments the purpose of the NHPP to include a focus on measures that increase resiliency to the impacts of sea level rise, extreme weather events, flooding, and other natural disasters, such as earthquakes and rockslides. Expands eligibility for States to use NHPP funds for resiliency, cybersecurity, and undergrounding utility infrastructure. The bill also allows a

State to use up to 15 percent of its NHPP funding for protective features on a Federal-aid highway or bridge that is off the NHS if the protective feature is designed to mitigate the risk of recurring damage or the cost of future repairs from extreme weather events, flooding, or other natural disasters.

Emergency Relief Projects

- Requires DOT to revise the Emergency Relief (ER) program manual of FHWA to: include a definition of resilience; identify procedures that may be used to incorporate resilience into ER projects; encourage the use of complete streets design principles in ER projects; develop best practices for improving the use of resilience in ER projects; and develop and implement a process to track the consideration of resilience as part of the ER program, as well as the cost of ER projects.

Streamlining

- Codification of One Federal Decision – Creates new environmental review procedures and requirements for major projects. Under the bill, DOT is required to develop a schedule consistent with an agency average of two years to complete an EIS and requires accountability to the public when milestones are missed. Environmental documents under this section are limited to 200 pages unless a review is of unusual scope and complexity. The Secretary of DOT is directed to work with relevant Federal agencies to adopt appropriate categorical exclusions to facilitate project delivery.
- Efficient Implementation of NEPA for Federal Lands Management Projects – Allows for a Federal land management agency to more efficiently satisfy NEPA obligations by relying upon an environmental document previously prepared by FHWA. The bill allows for a Federal Land Management Agency to use the CEs promulgated in the implementing regulations of the FHWA if the use of the CE would not otherwise conflict with the implementing regulations of the project sponsor.
- Surface Transportation Project Delivery Program Written Agreements – Extends the time period for a State to have an agreement to assume the responsibilities under NEPA, from a term of not more than 5 years, to allow for any State that has participated in a program under this section for at least 10 years, to have a term of 10 years.

Carbon Reduction Program (Formula)

- Establishes a Carbon Reduction Program to reduce transportation emissions. Eligible projects include the construction, planning, and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians and bicyclists, advanced transportation and congestion management technologies, the deployment of infrastructure-based intelligent transportation systems capital improvements and the installation of vehicle to infrastructure communications equipment, and the development of a carbon reduction strategy, among others.

Congestion Relief Program

- Establishes a Congestion Relief Program to provide competitive grants to States, local governments, and MPOs for projects in large urbanized areas to advance innovative, integrated, and multimodal solutions to congestion relief in the most congested metropolitan areas.

Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving

Transportation (PROTECT) Grant Program

- Establishes a formula and competitive grant program to help States improve the resiliency of transportation infrastructure. Grants include resilience improvement projects, community resilience and evacuation route grants, and at-risk coastal infrastructure grants.

Safe Routes to School

- Codifies the Safe Routes to School Program and amends the program to apply it through 12th grade to enable and encourage high school students to walk and bike to school.

National Motor Vehicle Per-Mile User Fee Pilot

- Directs the Secretary of DOT, in coordination with the Secretary of the Treasury, to establish a pilot program to demonstrate a national motor vehicle per-mile user fee. In carrying out the pilot program, the Secretary, in coordination with the Secretary of the Treasury, shall provide different methods that volunteer participants can choose from to track motor vehicle miles traveled, solicit volunteer participants from all 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, ensure an equitable geographic distribution by population among volunteer participants, and include commercial vehicles and passenger motor vehicles. For the purposes of the pilot program, the Secretary of the Treasury shall establish, on an annual basis, per-mile user fees for passenger motor vehicles, light trucks, and medium- and heavy-duty trucks, which amount may vary between vehicle types and weight classes to reflect estimated impacts on infrastructure, safety, congestion, the environment, or other related social impacts.

Biden Administration Set to Release Full FY 2022 Budget Proposal on Friday

On May 28, the Biden administration will unveil its comprehensive fiscal year 2022 budget proposal. Unlike the \$1.5 trillion “skinny” budget that the White House released in early April, the full budget is expected to cover broader spending categories and a longer time frame. It will also include projections for major mandatory spending programs such as Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid, and will incorporate policies the president wants to enact. However, it is not expected to include some of the key health care proposals that the president campaigned on (i.e. enacting a public health insurance option; lowering prescription drug costs), as the administration intends to remain focused on advancing its dual infrastructure proposals: the *American Jobs Plan* and the *American Families Plan*.

Justice Department Reverses Trump-era Limits on SCAAP

In a major victory for California’s counties, the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) has rescinded a series of grant funding conditions that the Trump administration sought to place on the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP). The now-repealed changes, which were slated to go into effect this year, would have precluded California’s counties from seeking federal SCAAP reimbursement for the costs of incarcerating undocumented criminals. The policy rescissions were confirmed by the Justice Department in a recent document, which can be found [here](#). It should be noted that DOJ’s actions are the result of a Department-wide review that was initiated earlier this year pursuant to President Biden’s Executive Order (EO) on the Revision of Civil Immigration Enforcement Policies and Priorities. In that particular EO, the president instructed DOJ and other relevant departments to review any previous administration policies that imposed immigration law-related conditions on certain federal grant programs. Many of those controversial policies have been extensively litigated, including the Trump administration’s efforts to restrict Byrne-Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) and Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) funding to so-called “sanctuary cities.” Looking ahead, and according to DOJ, the fiscal year 2020 SCAAP Program Requirement and Application Instructions are being revised and will be reposted. If jurisdictions already submitted an application agreeing to any of the certifications imposed in the previous program solicitation, the certifications will not be enforced.

President Biden Increases Funding for FEMA’s BRIC Program On May 24, President Biden announced that his administration would increase the amount of funding set aside for FEMA’s Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program to \$1 billion (up from \$500 million). The BRIC program, which was created by the Disaster Recovery Reform Act (DRRA; PL 115-254), helps communities prepare for and become more resilient to wildfires, floods, droughts, and other natural disasters. It should be noted that the White House will target approximately 40 percent of the additional money to disadvantaged areas. Additional information on this announcement and other pre-disaster mitigation initiatives undertaken by the Biden administration can be found [here](#).

Senators Feinstein, Padilla Introduce Legislation to Reduce Catastrophic Wildfires

On May 26, Senators Dianne Feinstein (D-CA) and Alex Padilla (D-CA) introduced legislation (S 1855) – the Wildfire Emergency Act of 2021 – that would help reduce catastrophic wildfires in the West. A House companion measure (HR 3534) is sponsored by a group of California Democrats led by Congressman Jimmy Panetta (D-CA). The bill utilizes a three-pronged approach to tackle the increasing wildfire threat, namely large-scale forest restoration projects, hardening of critical infrastructure, and increased training of key fire response personnel. The Wildfire Emergency Act would authorize \$250 million for a new program to conduct large-scale forest restoration projects. Among other things, these landscape-level projects can include removing dead and dying trees, using controlled burns to reduce fuel for larger fires, and clearing out invasive and non-native species. In addition, the bill would authorize \$100 million in new grant funding to improve the energy resilience of critical infrastructure. Specifically, the program would help retrofit key structures (i.e. hospitals, police departments, fire stations, utilities etc.) so they can function effectively during power shutoffs. Funds also could be used to expand the use of distributed energy systems, including microgrids. Additionally, the legislation would expand the Energy Department’s weatherization program so that homes can be retrofitted to make them more resilient to wildfire

through the use of fire-resistant building materials and other methods. In addition to the Wildfire Emergency Act, Senator Feinstein recently reintroduced legislation (S 1734) that would increase the pace and scale of controlled burns on federal, state, and private lands, particularly in high risk areas. The National Prescribed Fire Act of 2021 would also establish a workforce development program to develop, train, and hire prescribed fire practitioners. Finally, the measure would give states more flexibility to regulate controlled burns in the winter months.

Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):

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

Attachments

No file(s) attached.
