



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

AGENDA

Legislation Committee

Supervisor Diane Burgis, Chair

Supervisor Shanelle Scales-Preston, Vice Chair

Wednesday, April 30, 2025

9:00 AM

3361 Walnut Boulevard, Suite 140,
Brentwood, CA 94513 | 190 E 4th Street,
Pittsburg, CA

SPECIAL MEETING

Zoom link: <https://cccounty-us.zoom.us/j/85291316025>

Join via audio: USA 888 278 0254

US Toll-free Meeting ID: 852 9131 6025 / **Conference code:** 832395

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Agenda Items: Items may be taken out of order based on the business of the day and preference of the Committee.

Introductions

1. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to two (2) minutes).
2. RECEIVE and APPROVE the Record of Action for the April 9, 2025 meeting of the Legislation Committee, with any necessary corrections. [25-1645](#)

Attachments: [Draft Record of Action - April 9 2025](#)

3. RECEIVE a report on federal matters of interest to the County and PROVIDE direction and/or input as needed. [25-1646](#)

Attachments: [Attachment A - FY26 Project Requests](#)
[Attachment B - TRP Tip Sheet - April 30](#)
[Attachment C - Trump 2.0 EO Tracker](#)
[Attachment D - Direct Local Program & Funding Impacts of Exec. Actions](#)
[Attachment E - Padilla Schiff Press Release - EPA Grant Unlawful Termination](#)
[Attachment F - Letter from Reps Garamendi and DeSaulnier](#)

4. RECEIVE a report on the FY25-26 State Budget and matters of interest to the County in the FY25-26 legislative session, and PROVIDE direction to staff and the County's state advocates as needed. [25-1647](#)

Attachments: [Attachment A - April 25 Update](#)
[Attachment B - April 11 Update](#)
[Attachment C - Tracked Bills](#)
[Attachment D - Position Letters Sent](#)

The next meeting is a special meeting due to Memorial Day, and is currently scheduled for May 28, 2025 at 9:00 AM.

Adjourn

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CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

1025 ESCOBAR STREET
MARTINEZ, CA 94553

Staff Report

File #: 25-1645

Agenda Date: 4/30/2025

Agenda #: 2.

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Meeting Date: April 30, 2025

Subject: Record of Action for April 9, 2025 Legislation Committee Meeting

Submitted For: Legislation Committee

Department: County Administrator's Office

Referral Name: Meeting Minutes

Presenter: E. Struthers

Contact: (925) 655-2045

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 meetings.

Referral Update:

Attached for the Committee's consideration is the draft Record of Action (Meeting Minutes) for the Committee's April 9, 2025 meeting.

Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):

Staff recommends approving the Record of Action for the April 9, 2025 meeting of the Legislation Committee, with any necessary corrections.

Fiscal Impact (if any):

None.



Meeting Minutes - Draft

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY Legislation Committee

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Chair Burgis and Vice Chair Preston-Scales were both present, attending from their district offices in Brentwood and Pittsburg, respectively.

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

No general public comments were provided on this item.

2. RECEIVE and APPROVE the Record of Action for the February 24, 2025 meeting of the Legislation Committee, with any necessary corrections. [25-1297](#)

Attachments: [Draft Record of Action - February 24 2025](#)

No public comments were made during this item.

The record of action for the February 24, 2025 meeting was approved as received.

3. RECEIVE a report on federal matters of interest to the County and provide direction and/or input as needed. [25-1298](#)

Attachments: [Attachment A - TRP Tip Sheet - April 4](#)
[Attachment B - Trump 2.0 EO Tracker](#)
[Attachment C - Senate Budget Resolution News](#)
[Attachment D - Padilla Press Release - FEMA Ind. Act](#)

Jim Davenport and Paul Schlesinger, the County's federal advocates at Thorn Run Partners, provided an update on several federal matters of interest, including the upcoming Congressionally Directed Spending request process for Fiscal Year (FY) 26, updates on direct federal impacts to County programs and services, the budget reconciliation process.

Additionally, new bipartisan legislation on FEMA reform, called the FEMA Independence Act (S. 1246) was shared as an informational item. Vice Chair Scales-Preston requested that the bill to return for further review and discussion at a future meeting.

No public comments were received on this item.

4. RECEIVE a report on the FY25-26 State Budget and matters of interest to the County in the FY25-26 legislative session, and provide direction to staff and the County's state advocates as needed. [25-1299](#)

Attachments: [Attachment A - Bills Advanced to Senate](#)

Geoff Neill, the County's state advocate at Neilsen Merksamer, provided an update on state matters of interest, including the state budget and unknown impacts from the upcoming federal budget process.

The Legislature will adjourn on September 12 this year, and the current federal continuing resolution is set to expire on September 30, 2025, making it likely that the federal budget will take effect after the Legislature adjourns. Given the extreme cuts proposed by Congress through the recently-adopted budget resolution, it is likely that a special session of the Legislature will be necessary.

In addition to the federal budget, other budgetary pressures include the LA Fires: both the cost of rebuilding and the property tax backfill. The state budget is also impacted by macroeconomic trends, such as the impact of tariffs, which could cause further budgetary pressures.

No public comments were received on this item.

5. REVIEW positions taken and recommended positions on state legislation of interest, and provide direction. [25-1300](#)

Attachments: [Attachment A - Tracked Bills List - Updated 2025.04.04](#)
[Attachment B - March Bill Letters Sent](#)

The Committee reviewed several recommended positions on bills that were consistent with the County's adopted platform.

The Committee recommended that:

- An "Oppose" position be taken on AB 306 (Schultz), AB 479 (McKinnor), AB 933 (Avila Farias), AB 946 (Bryan), SB 16 (Blakespear), and SB 357 (Menjivar).
- An "Oppose" or "oppose unless amended" position be taken on SB 606 (Becker), due to the unfunded mandate as the problem, rather than the policy.
- A "Support" position be taken on AB 346 (Nguyen), AB 871 (Stefani), AB 896 (Elhawary), AB 898 (Bryan), AB 970 (McKinnor), and AB 1288 (Addis).
- Staff watch and monitor AB 1198 (Haney) and SB 789 (Menjivar).

Staff will continue to update the Committee on major amendments to the above and attached bills.

No public comments were received on this item.

6. RECEIVE presentation on the proposed updated Delta Water Platform and DIRECT staff as appropriate. [25-1301](#)

Attachments: [Attachment A - Delta Water Platform Presentation](#)
[Attachment B - Delta Water Platform Final Draft](#)
[Attachment C - Board Approved Delta Water Platform 5-13-14](#)

Ryan Hernandez, Principal Planner and head of the Contra Costa Water Agency, provided an update on the development of the Delta Water Platform development and revisions.

No public comments were received on this item.

7. DISCUSS the request for qualifications (RFQ) for state and federal advocacy and government relations services, and DIRECT staff on next steps. [25-1302](#)

Attachments: [Attachment A - DRAFT RFQ for Federal Advocacy Services](#)
[Attachment B - DRAFT RFQ for State Legislative Advocacy](#)

Committee staff provided an update on the soon-to-expire advocacy contracts, which are due to go out to bid this year pursuant to the County's procurement policy.

The Committee reviewed the draft RFQs and provided feedback. Chair Burgis recommended adding a response opportunity for new, innovative, or add-on services that would enhance the County's advocacy efforts, in order to allow respondents to further describe the innovative and value-added services they can offer.

Staff was directed to make these changes, correct any dates or errors before publishing the RFQ on/near April 15, to be open for approximately 2.5 to 3 weeks and closing on/after May 5.

No public comments were provided on this item.

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Public comments generally will be limited to two (2) minutes per speaker. In the interest of facilitating the business of the Board Committee, the total amount of time that a member of the public may use in addressing the Board Committee on all agenda items is 10 minutes. Your patience is appreciated.

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Staff Report

File #: 25-1646

Agenda Date: 4/30/2025

Agenda #: 3.

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Meeting Date: April 30, 2024

Subject: Federal Legislative Updates of Interest to Contra Costa County

Submitted For: Legislation Committee

Department: County Administrator's Office

Referral Name: Federal Update

Presenter: P. Schlesinger and J. Davenport, Thorn Run Partners

Contact: E. Struthers (925) 655-2045

Referral History:

The Legislation Committee of the Board regularly receives reports on federal legislation and budget matters of interest to the County and provides direction and/or input to staff and the County's lobbyists, as necessary.

Referral Update:

The County's federal lobbyists will be present via Zoom to provide an update to the Committee.

Several informational updates of interest include:

- FY26 Community Project Funding submissions process.
- Budget reconciliation process and federal budget/Appropriations updates.
- Impacts of federal Executive Branch funding freezes, pauses, and cancellations.

In addition to the enclosed attachments, Litigation has become increasingly relevant to funding and policy decisions. Litigation tracking has become an emerging area of interest. One popular tracker is produced by Just Security, based at the New York University School of Law, available at:

<https://www.justsecurity.org/107087/tracker-litigation-legal-challenges-trump-administration/>.

Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):

Receive the report and provide direction or input to the County's federal advocates, as needed.

Fiscal Impact (if any):

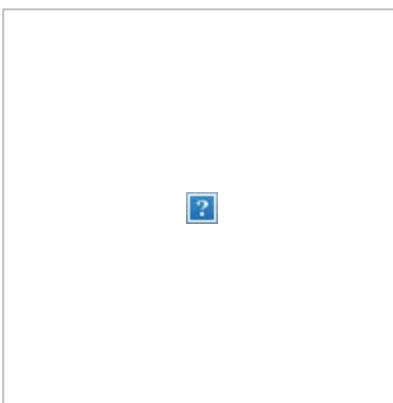
None.

FY26 Community Project Funding Requests

Resubmitted Projects (Previously Submitted in FY25)
Bay Point Library and Community Resource Center
EBCRS Improvements and Upgrades Project
Healing and Justice for Labor Trafficking Survivors Project
Knightesen Wetland Restoration Project*
Marsh Drive - Class I Separated Path Accommodation
North Bailey Road Active Transportation Corridor
Organized Retail Theft Prevention and Prosecution Project
Pacifica Avenue Safe Routes to School
Treat Boulevard Corridor Improvements

*Project not included in draft FY25 Appropriations bills.

New Submitted Projects
District 3 (Brentwood & East County) Youth Center Construction
District 4 (Concord & Central County) Youth Center Programming/Start-Up
District 5 (Northern Central County) Youth Center Programming/Start-Up
East County Veterans Memorial Building Improvements
EBRCS Mobile Communications Sites
Iron Horse Trail Double-Tracking in San Ramon
West County Veterans Memorial Building Improvements



The TRP Tip Sheet

April 25, 2025

Editor's note: With Congress out the next two weeks, we'll be scaling back publication of The TRP Tip Sheet to Monday-Wednesday-Friday. Our daily cadence will pick back up on Monday, April 28.

QUICK TAKES

- **CONGRESS RETURNS NEXT WEEK.** Lawmakers will be in session for the next three months, with budget reconciliation at the top of the to-do list.
- **TRUMP ISSUES NEW EXECUTIVE ORDERS ON EDUCATION.** Click to view TRP's running [tracking document](#) of the Trump administration EOs and other prominent executive actions.
- **A LOOK INSIDE BURGUM'S DRAFT PLAN FOR INTERIOR.** Interior Secretary Doug Burgum wants to marshal his agency to speed production of oil and gas on public lands.

CAPITOL HILL UPDATE

— **CONGRESS RETURNS NEXT WEEK.** Congress will return next week for a busy three-month work period, headlined by Republican action on budget reconciliation. When lawmakers return to Washington at the end of the month, key House authorizing committees are slated to kick off markups on their respective instructions that will be combined into a single reconciliation bill. It's the goal of congressional leadership to try and move as quickly as possible to get "one big, beautiful" reconciliation package on the president's desk for signature by Memorial Day — an ambitious timeline that will require cooperation from the entire Republican Conference in order to be maintained. Several key debates tied to the total cost of the package, cuts to public benefit programs like Medicaid and SNAP, as well as key tax policy decisions must be resolved in the coming weeks.

- **On the floor...** Early next week, lawmakers will look to clear a slate of bipartisan suspension bills out of the Energy and Commerce (E&C) Committee. This includes

legislation that seeks to require additional fee disclosures in the [ticketing](#) and [hotel](#) industries, as well as combat deepfake pornography on online platforms. Lawmakers will also consider a [bill](#) to establish a critical supply chain resiliency and crisis response program within the Department of Commerce. A full list of suspension bills for next week can be viewed [here](#). Meanwhile, the Senate will meet to consider a slate of pending ambassadorial nominations, starting with David Perdue to be Ambassador to China.

— **TRACKING DATES FOR UPCOMING HOUSE RECONCILIATION MARKUPS.** We'll keep this chart updated as additional reconciliation markups get placed on the books. New updates to reconciliation markup dates are indicated in bold.

House Committee	Date	Instruction
Agriculture	May 8	Cut at least \$230 billion
Armed Services	Week of April 28	Spend up to \$100 billion
Education & Workforce	Week of April 28	Cut at least \$330 billion
E&C	May 7	Cut at least \$880 billion
Financial Services	April 30	Cut at least \$1 billion
Homeland Security	Week of April 28	Spend up to \$90 billion
Judiciary	April 30	Spend up to \$110 billion
Natural Resources	May 6	Cut at least \$1 billion
Oversight	April 30	Cut at least \$50 billion
T&I	April 30	Cut at least \$10 billion
Ways and Means	May 12-13	Spend up to \$4.5 trillion, can increase debt limit by \$4 trillion

WHAT WE'RE TRACKING

NEW TODAY...

— **TRUMP ISSUES NEW EXECUTIVE ORDERS ON EDUCATION.** The Trump administration issued a series of education-focused executive orders (EO) that seek to:

- Reform higher education accreditation standards ([text](#));
- Require additional disclosure of foreign funding at U.S. universities ([text](#));
- Establish a White House Task Force on Artificial Intelligence (AI) Education ([text](#));
- Establish a new White House Initiative on Historically-Black Colleges and Universities

- (HBCU) ([text](#)); and
- Promulgate new guidance to local and state educational agencies regarding school discipline, emphasizing compliance with Title VI protections against racial discrimination and preferencing ([text](#)).

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS...

— **TRP SPECIAL REPORT: TRACKING THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION'S TARIFF POLICIES.** We've updated the content within this [TRP special report](#) to reflect key updates over the past two weeks, as well as what to look out for moving forward as the Trump administration undertakes sweeping trade negotiations.

— **TRUMP ISSUES ORDER ON DRUG PRICING.** The Trump administration issued an [order](#) directing federal agencies to implement and expand certain initiatives aimed at lowering prescription drug costs. Click [here](#) to read TRP's summary of the order.

— **CMS PUBLISHES ANNUAL PAYMENT RULES FOR FY 2026.** The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has released its annual updates to Medicare payment policies and rates for fiscal year (FY) 2026. TRP's summaries of the proposed rules are hyperlinked below.

- [Skilled Nursing Facilities](#)
- [Inpatient, Long Term Care Hospitals](#)

— **FTC REQUESTS PUBLIC FEEDBACK ON ANTI-COMPETITIVE REGS.** The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) is [requesting](#) public feedback to further understand how federal regulations can harm competition in the U.S. economy. Comments should be submitted to Regulations.gov no later than May 27, 2025.

— **T&I REQUESTS FEEDBACK ON UPCOMING SURFACE TRANSPORTATION REAUTHORIZATION.** The House Transportation and Infrastructure (T&I) Committee issued a bipartisan request for information ([RFI](#)) seeking legislative proposals as a part of the committee's effort to craft a surface transportation reauthorization bill for the 119th Congress.

- Proposals are due on April 30 by 6:00 PM EST.

— **SENATE APPROPRIATIONS LEADERS POST FY 2026 GUIDANCE.** Senate Appropriations Committee Chair Susan Collins (R-ME) and Ranking Member Patty Murray (D-WA) posted Member [guidance](#) to participate in the annual appropriations process through the submission of programmatic, language, and Community Project Funding requests. Subcommittee-specific guidelines & deadlines can be viewed [here](#).

WHAT WE'RE READING

[E&E News: A look inside Burgum's draft plan for Interior \(\\$\)](#)

Interior Secretary Doug Burgum wants to marshal his agency to speed production of oil and gas on public lands, cut regulations and "right-size" national monuments, according to a draft strategic plan viewed by POLITICO's E&E News. The draft document calls for targeting "our National assets for the benefit of the American people" by, among other things, increasing development of "clean coal, oil, and gas" with "faster and easier permitting." Interior aspires to "streamline processes," with the goal of also ramping up "revenues from grazing, timber, critical minerals, gravel and other non-energy resources." The working plan offers a look at how Burgum, who is also chair of President Donald Trump's National Energy Dominance Council, is running an agency whose day-to-day business of overseeing public lands has been overshadowed by the White House's efforts to cajole, pressure or force a historic downsizing of the federal workforce.

POLITICO: Dems' megabill battle plans

Republicans will begin marking up their big party-line bill next week to enact President Donald Trump's legislative agenda. Democrats are gearing up to capitalize on it — and are hoping to orchestrate another “blue wave.” As Speaker Mike Johnson looks to pass the megabill before Memorial Day, Democrats are ready to accelerate their offensive, our Nicholas Wu reports this morning. They're mapping out a committee-by-committee plan of attack to force amendment votes and put vulnerable Republicans on the record over some of the bill's most controversial issues. It's the same playbook Democrats used to take back the House in 2018, when they hammered Republicans for votes they took to repeal the Affordable Care Act and enact tax cuts for the wealthy. This time, they think the GOP's Achilles heel could be potential cuts to Medicaid and to food aid. Democrats are also gunning for the tax portion of the bill as Republicans attempt to extend those 2017 tax cuts.

The New York Times: Senators Investigate Private Equity Role in Soaring Fire-Truck Costs (\$)

As fire departments around the country report soaring prices and waiting times for new fire engines, two United States Senators are investigating the effect on public safety and the role that private equity investment has played in disrupting the firefighting equipment industry. The senators — Elizabeth Warren, Democrat of Massachusetts, and Jim Banks, Republican of Indiana — reported on Tuesday that they had heard from dozens of fire departments about delayed deliveries, defective parts and escalating prices. In a letter to the International Association of Fire Fighters, they said they were concerned that “private equity is padding shareholders' wallets at the expense of public safety” and that they were seeking to learn more about the situation. ...The New York Times reported earlier this year that prices for fire trucks have soared in recent years and that manufacturers are taking longer to deliver vehicles.

Punchbowl: New details on the House GOP tax plan

House Republican tax writers have been soft-selling to corporate lobbyists a new cap on businesses' state and local tax deductions. The effort is a sign that Republicans are seriously considering including the tax hike in their reconciliation package. Remember, House Republican leadership is pushing to pass the reconciliation bill by Memorial Day. The Ways and Means Committee hasn't finalized its tax plans yet, and the real test of the GOP's search for revenue will begin when members return to town next week. ... There's heavy pressure from conservative House Republicans to find offsets. The White House is looking at a four-year timespan for Trump's priorities of no taxes on tips, overtime pay and Social Security benefits, as we scooped. Those provisions could carry a heavy price tag. Even though the potential tax increases for corporate America — SALT deductions in particular — are causing heartburn on K Street, there are likely to be plenty of big wins for the business world in the bill. Ways and Means is planning to revive tax breaks for research and development, interest expenses and purchases of short-term assets like equipment and machinery. Republicans will try to extend these provisions permanently, according to multiple sources.

Bloomberg: Trump Sees Trade Deals Coming in Three to Four Weeks

President Donald Trump said he expected to wrap up trade deals with US partners looking for lower tariffs soon. “I would say, over the next three to four weeks, and we're finished, by the way,” Trump said of the deals in an interview with Time magazine published Friday. ... In a wide-ranging interview Trump defended his trade policies which have unnerved financial markets and sent foreign governments racing to Washington to cut deals. But the president gave conflicting signals about the status of talks with China, even as Beijing has denied that negotiations between the world's two largest economies are taking place.

Bloomberg: Trump Says He Loves Millionaire Tax, Worries of Political Risk (\$)

President Donald Trump said he is open to the idea of higher taxes on millionaires — an idea that is being hotly debated in Republican circles — but said he worries that a levy increase could hurt the party. “I actually love the concept, but I don’t want it to be used against me politically, because I’ve seen people lose elections for less,” Trump told TIME magazine in an interview published Friday. ...Trump cited former President George H. W. Bush’s now infamous line to “read his lips” that there would be no new taxes, a phrase that turned out to be a cudgel used against the one-term president. Trump said he would be “honored” to pay more and said the tax increases being proposed were a relatively small increase. Republicans in recent weeks have discussed the idea of taxing the rich at a higher threshold to pay for a sweeping Republican tax bill. Creating a new 40% tax bracket for those earning more than \$1 million could help raise revenue to offset the cost of the bill, as well as fend off criticisms that the legislation primarily benefits businesses and the wealthy. Trump has flip-flopped on the idea of a new millionaires’ tax in the past week. He told reporters on Wednesday that such a tax could spur rich Americans to relocate to other countries.

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TRUMP 2.0 EXECUTIVE ORDERS AND MEMORANDUMS

This chart tracks President Donald Trump's Executive Orders (EOs) as well as other prominent executive actions.

JUMP TO

- [Economy/Trade/Tax](#)
- [Health](#)
- [Transportation](#)
- [Regulatory Reform & Government Affairs](#)
- [Energy & Environment](#)
- [Border/Immigration/Foreign Affairs](#)
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- [Defense/National Security/Intelligence](#)
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Title	Date	Summary
Economy/Trade/Tax (back to top)		
Ensuring National Security and Economic Resilience Through Section 232 Actions on Processed Critical Minerals and Derivative Products (text)	4/15/2025	Directs the Secretary of Commerce to initiate a Section 232 investigation under the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 to assess whether imports of processed critical minerals and their derivative products threaten to impair U.S. national security. The order defines these imports broadly and cites vulnerabilities stemming from foreign dependency, supply chain risks, and market manipulation. The Secretary must evaluate supply sources, domestic capacity, foreign trade practices, and potential mitigation strategies. A final report with recommendations is due to the President within 180 days, with potential measures including tariffs, import restrictions, and domestic incentives.

Clarification of Exceptions Under Executive Order 14257 of April 2, 2025, as Amended (text)	4/11/2025	Clarifies that “semiconductors,” as exempted under Executive Order 14257 and its subsequent amendments, include specific product classifications listed in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS). It directs modification of the HTSUS to formally reflect these exceptions, effective April 5, 2025. Any tariffs already collected on these semiconductor products after that date are to be refunded in accordance with standard U.S. Customs and Border Protection procedures. It also reaffirms the authorities responsible for implementing these measures.
Modifying Reciprocal Tariff Rates to Reflect Trading Partner Retaliation and Alignment (text)	4/10/2025	Increases the applicable duty rate on Chinese goods from 84% to 125% and further raises tariffs on low-value imports from China. Concurrently, the order temporarily suspends enhanced country-specific tariff rates for other trading partners for 90 days and sets a uniform 10% duty during that period. The order also authorizes relevant agencies to take actions necessary to implement these changes.
Reducing Anti-Competitive Regulatory Barriers (text)	4/9/2025	Directs federal agencies to review their regulations and identify those that reduce market competition, restrict new entrants, or create unnecessary barriers to innovation. Agencies must submit lists of such regulations, along with recommendations for rescission or modification, to the Federal Trade Commission and the Department of Justice. The FTC, in coordination with other officials, will compile a consolidated list for potential inclusion in the Unified Regulatory Agenda. Public input on potentially anti-competitive regulations will also be solicited through a request for information.
Amendment to Reciprocal Tariffs and Updated Duties as Applied to Low-Value Imports from the People’s Republic of China (text)	4/8/2025	Raises tariffs on imports from China in response to announced Chinese retaliatory tariffs on U.S. goods. It increases existing tariff rates on certain Chinese goods from 34% to 84% and raises duties on low-value postal imports from China, including increasing ad valorem rates from 30% to 90% and flat per-item charges up to \$150. The order directs federal agencies to implement these changes using all available legal authorities.

Review of Proposed United States Steel Corporation Acquisition (text)	4/7/2025	Directs the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS) to conduct a de novo review of the proposed acquisition of U.S. Steel by Nippon Steel Corporation and related entities. The review is to be conducted confidentially and in accordance with Section 721 of the Defense Production Act.
Regulating Imports with a Reciprocal Tariff to Rectify Trade Practices that Contribute to Large and Persistent Annual United States Goods Trade Deficits (text)	4/2/2025	Declares a national emergency in response to large and persistent U.S. goods trade deficits, citing unfair foreign trade practices, tariff imbalances, non-tariff barriers, and suppressed domestic demand in foreign economies.
Further Amendment to Duties Addressing the Synthetic Opioid Supply Chain in the People's Republic of China as Applied to Low-Value Imports (text)	4/2/2025	Eliminates duty-free de minimis treatment for certain low-value shipments from China and Hong Kong, including international postal packages, effective May 2, 2025. It directs U.S. Customs and Border Protection to collect duties on these shipments to combat the trafficking of synthetic opioids and deceptive shipping practices.
Establishing the United States Investment Accelerator (text)	3/31/2025	Establishes the United States Investment Accelerator within the Department of Commerce to assist with large-scale investments over \$1 billion. It directs the office to help domestic and foreign investors navigate federal regulations, reduce regulatory burdens where lawful, and coordinate with states to accelerate project development. The Accelerator will also oversee the CHIPS Program Office to ensure stronger taxpayer returns on semiconductor investments
Combating Unfair Practices in the Live Entertainment Market (text)	3/31/2025	Directs federal agencies to take action against unfair and anti-competitive practices in the live event ticketing industry. It instructs the Federal Trade Commission and the Attorney General to enforce competition and consumer protection laws, including cracking down on bot-driven ticket scalping and requiring price transparency. The order also directs the Treasury Department and Department of Justice to ensure scalpers comply with tax and legal obligations. A joint report on implementation and recommendations is due within 180 days.

Adjusting Imports of Automobiles and Automobile Parts Into the United States (text)	3/26/2025	Imposes a 25% tariff on imports of automobiles and certain automobile parts, effective April 3, 2025, under section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act
Imposing Tariffs on Countries Importing Venezuelan Oil (text)	3/24/2025	Authorizes the Secretary of State to impose a 25 percent tariff on goods from countries that import Venezuelan oil, in response to national security threats posed by the Maduro regime and the Tren de Aragua gang. It establishes a framework for determining and enforcing these tariffs, including their duration and applicability to transshipments through Hong Kong and Macau. The order also mandates periodic reviews of the policy's effectiveness.
Amendment to Duties to Address the Flow of Illicit Drugs Across Our Northern Border (text)	3/6/2025	Modifies tariffs imposed on Canadian goods under Executive Order 14193, particularly to support the U.S. automotive industry's stability and minimize disruptions to supply chains. It exempts automotive parts and components from additional tariffs, provided they qualify under the U.S.-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA). The order also reduces the tariff on non-exempt potash imports from 25% to 10%, effective March 7, 2025
Establishment of the Strategic Bitcoin Reserve and United States Digital Asset Stockpile (text)	3/6/2025	Establishes a U.S. Strategic Bitcoin Reserve and a broader digital asset stockpile, using confiscated digital assets from federal enforcement actions. Led by the White House Crypto and Artificial Intelligence Czar, the strategy for managing these assets will be developed by the Treasury and Commerce Departments, focusing on acquiring additional Bitcoin in a budget-neutral manner.
Amendment to Duties to Address the Situation at our Southern Border (text)	3/2/2025	Amends Executive Order 14194, which addresses the situation at the southern border, by updating the provisions related to duty-free de minimis treatment for eligible covered articles under 19 U.S.C. 1321. The amendment specifies that duty-free treatment will end once the Secretary of Commerce notifies the President that adequate systems are in place to efficiently process and collect applicable tariff revenue.

Amendment to Duties to Address the Flow of Illicit Drugs across our Northern Border (text)	3/2/2025	Amends Executive Order 14193, which addresses the flow of illicit drugs across the northern border, by modifying the duty-free de minimis treatment for covered articles under 19 U.S.C. 1321. The amendment states that duty-free treatment will no longer apply once the Secretary of Commerce notifies the President that adequate systems are in place to process and collect applicable tariff revenue.
Addressing the Threat to National Security from Imports of Timber, Lumber (text)	3/1/2025	Directs the Secretary of Commerce to initiate an investigation under Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act to assess whether imports of timber, lumber, and their derivative products threaten the national security of the United States. The investigation will evaluate the impact of foreign competition, government subsidies, and trade practices on the competitiveness of the U.S. wood products industry, which is critical to both military and civilian construction. The Secretary of Commerce is tasked with consulting relevant agencies and submitting a report within 270 days, including potential recommendations for tariffs, export controls, and strategic investments to strengthen the domestic supply chain.
Immediate Expansion of American Timber Production (text)	3/1/2025	Aims to boost domestic timber production and streamline forest management by directing the Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture to implement new guidance and legislative proposals that reduce regulatory barriers. The order calls for setting annual timber sale targets from federal lands, expediting permitting processes under the Endangered Species Act, and adopting categorical exclusions to simplify administrative approvals. It also mandates a strategy to eliminate permitting delays and an Endangered Species Committee review to identify obstacles to timber production, ultimately promoting economic and national security through a strengthened domestic timber supply chain.

Addressing the Threat to National Security from Imports of Copper (text)	2/25/2025	Directs the Secretary of Commerce to investigate the national security implications of U.S. dependence on copper imports, including raw, refined, and derivative products. The investigation will assess supply chain vulnerabilities, foreign market influence, and the feasibility of increasing domestic production. The Secretary will consult with relevant agencies and submit a report within 270 days with findings and recommendations, including potential trade actions, policy adjustments, and investments to strengthen the domestic copper supply chain.
Defending American Companies and Innovators From Overseas Extortion and Unfair Fines and Penalties (text)	2/21/2024	Directs agencies to counter foreign governments' discriminatory taxes and regulations that unfairly target U.S. businesses, particularly in the technology sector. USTR is instructed to assess and respond to digital services taxes, trade barriers, and regulatory measures that undermine American competitiveness. Agencies will identify and recommend actions against policies that impose disproportionate financial burdens, restrict market access, or require content moderation in ways that affect U.S. businesses and citizens.
America First Investment Policy (text)	2/21/2025	Establishes an investment policy to attract foreign capital from allied nations while strengthening safeguards against investments that could pose risks to U.S. national security. It directs agencies to facilitate investment in critical industries while restricting transactions linked to foreign adversaries, particularly in sectors like technology, infrastructure, and resources. Regulatory bodies will enhance oversight of financial transactions, enforce stricter investment reviews, and ensure compliance with fiduciary standards to protect U.S. economic and security interests.

Reciprocal Trade and Tariffs (text)	2/13/2025	Establishes the Fair and Reciprocal Plan, directing the U.S. government to assess and counter non-reciprocal trade practices by foreign trading partners. It outlines a strategy to impose equivalent tariffs and address barriers such as value-added taxes, subsidies, currency manipulation, and regulatory restrictions that disadvantage U.S. businesses and workers. The Secretary of Commerce and the U.S. Trade Representative will investigate and recommend corrective actions, while the Office of Management and Budget will assess fiscal impacts.
Adjusting Imports of Aluminum into The United States (text)	2/11/2025	Increases tariffs on aluminum imports from 10% to 25%. It revokes previous tariff exemptions for countries such as Canada, Mexico, Australia, Argentina, the European Union, and the United Kingdom.
Adjusting Imports of Steel into The United States (text)	2/10/2025	Reinstates a 25% tariff on steel and derivative steel imports from several countries, including Canada, Mexico, the EU, Japan, South Korea, Brazil, and the UK, citing national security concerns and increasing global steel overcapacity. It also terminates existing exemptions and alternative trade agreements, eliminates product exclusion processes, and implements stricter import monitoring and enforcement measures.
Amendment to Duties Addressing the Synthetic Opioid Supply Chain in the People's Republic of China (text)	2/7/2025	Modifies the provision regarding duty-free de minimis treatment for certain imported goods. Under the amendment, de minimis treatment remains available for eligible articles but will be revoked once the Secretary of Commerce confirms that sufficient systems are in place to efficiently collect applicable tariff revenue.
A Plan for Establishing a United States Sovereign Wealth Fund (text)	2/3/2025	Directs the development of a sovereign wealth fund to strengthen U.S. financial sustainability, reduce tax burdens, and enhance economic leadership. Treasury and Commerce Departments, in coordination with the President's economic team, must submit a plan within 90 days outlining funding sources, investment strategies, governance, and legal considerations.
Imposing Duties to Address the Synthetic Opioid Supply Chain in the People's Republic of China (text)	2/1/2025	Imposes a 10% tariff on all Chinese imports starting February 4, 2025, to pressure the Chinese government to take action against drug production and money laundering networks.

Imposing Duties to Address the Situation at Our Southern Border (text)	2/1/2025	Imposes a 25% tariff on all Mexican imports starting February 4, 2025, to pressure the Mexican government to take stronger action against drug cartels and human trafficking networks.
Imposing Duties to Address the Flow of Illicit Drugs Across Our Northern Border (text)	2/1/2025	Expands the national emergency at the southern border to include drug trafficking and illegal migration at the northern border. It imposes a 25% tariff on most Canadian imports and a 10% tariff on energy products starting February 4, 2025.
Strengthening American Leadership in Digital Financial Technology (text)	1/23/2025	Revokes prior policies promoting Central Bank Digital Currencies (CBDCs), prohibits their development or use within the United States, and establishes a President's Working Group on Digital Asset Markets to create a clear regulatory framework for digital assets, including stablecoins. The order also directs agencies to review existing regulations, terminate inconsistent guidance, and focus on advancing the responsible growth of blockchain technology and digital assets while safeguarding individual rights and the sovereignty of the U.S. dollar.
America First Trade Policy (text)	1/20/2025	Outlines a directive to strengthen America's trade policies by addressing trade deficits, unfair practices, and economic security risks while promoting industrial and technological advantages. The memo further calls for comprehensive reviews and recommendations across various sectors, including trade agreements, tariff policies, currency manipulation, and export controls.
The Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Global Tax Deal (Global Tax Deal) (text)	1/20/2025	Declares that the OECD Global Tax Deal holds no force or effect in the United States without Congressional approval and directs federal officials to notify the OECD accordingly. It further mandates an investigation into foreign tax practices that may harm American businesses, with recommendations for protective measures to safeguard U.S. economic interests.
Delivering Emergency Price Relief for American Families and Defeating the Cost-of-Living Crisis (text)	1/20/2025	Orders the heads of all executive departments and agencies to deliver emergency price relief, consistent with applicable law.

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Lowering Drug Prices by Once Again Putting Americans First (text)	4/15/2025	Directs federal agencies to reimplement and expand initiatives aimed at lowering prescription drug costs. It instructs HHS to improve the Medicare Drug Price Negotiation Program and address pricing disparities between small molecule and biological drugs. The order also calls for new payment models for high-cost drugs, surveys of hospital drug acquisition costs, and expanded access to discounted insulin and epinephrine. Additional directives include enhancing oversight of pharmacy benefit managers, promoting drug importation, expediting generic approvals, and addressing anti-competitive practices by pharmaceutical manufacturers.
Making America Healthy Again by Empowering Patients with Clear, Accurate, and Actionable Healthcare Pricing Information (text)	2/25/2025	Directs federal agencies to strengthen and enforce health care price transparency regulations, ensuring that patients, employers, and insurers have access to clear and accurate pricing information. The order mandates disclosure of actual health care prices rather than estimates, standardizes pricing data across hospitals and insurers, and enhances enforcement to ensure compliance.
Expanding Access to In Vitro Fertilization (text)	2/18/2025	Directs the Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy to submit policy recommendations within 90 days to protect and expand access to in vitro fertilization (IVF) and reduce its financial burden on families.
Establishing the President's Make America Healthy Again Commission (text)	2/13/2025	Establishes the "Make America Healthy Again Commission" to address rising chronic disease rates, particularly among children, by investigating contributing factors such as diet, environmental exposures, medication use, and healthcare policies. The commission will conduct assessments, recommend policy changes, and promote transparency in federally funded health research to combat obesity, diabetes, mental health disorders, and other chronic conditions. The order prioritizes disease prevention, improved nutrition, and reducing industry influence on health research, aiming to restructure federal health initiatives to reverse declining public health trends.

Enforcing the Hyde Amendment (text)	1/24/2025	Revokes Executive Orders 14074 and 14079 from the previous administration, reaffirms the policy to prohibit Federal funding for elective abortions, aligning with the principles of the longstanding Hyde Amendment, and directs the Office of Management and Budget to issue guidance for implementing this policy across Federal programs.
Initial Rescissions of Harmful Executive Orders and Actions: Strengthening Medicaid and the Affordable Care Act — EO 14009 (text)	1/20/2025	Established the Biden administration’s policy for the Medicaid program, to protect and strengthen both Medicaid and the ACA to ensure health care accessibility and affordability. To this end, the EO directed agency heads to review all agency actions for alignment with this policy and to suspend, revise, or rescind any inconsistent actions. As a result, Biden reversed many of the Trump administration’s Medicaid reform efforts, particularly the Section 1115 waiver demonstrations, arguing that they could “reduce coverage under or otherwise undermine Medicaid or the ACA.”
Initial Rescissions of Harmful Executive Orders and Actions: Continuing To Strengthen Americans’ Access to Affordable, Quality Health Coverage — EO 14070 (text)	1/20/2025	Built upon EO 14009 by directing agencies to identify strategies for expanding health coverage, enhancing quality, strengthening benefits, and increasing enrollment.
Initial Rescissions of Harmful Executive Orders and Actions: Lowering Prescription Drug Costs for Americans — EO 14087 (text)	1/20/2025	Called for additional actions to complement the IRA’s prescription drug price provisions and further reduce costs. The Secretary was instructed to select, within 90 days, new CMMI payment and delivery models for testing that would lower drug costs and promote access to innovative therapies. The models selected were CMMI’s: (1) Medicare High-Value Drug List Model, (2) Cell & Gene Therapy Access Model, and (3) Accelerating Clinical Evidence Model.
Withdrawing The United States From The World Health Organization (text)	1/20/2025	Reinstates the process to withdraw the United States from the World Health Organization (WHO), halts U.S. funding and involvement with the WHO, redirects efforts to domestic and alternative global health initiatives, and suspends negotiations on international health agreements led by the WHO.

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Restoring America's Maritime Dominance (text)	4/9/2025	Directs the development of a comprehensive Maritime Action Plan to rebuild the U.S. commercial shipbuilding industry and maritime workforce. It tasks multiple agencies with identifying investments, regulatory reforms, financial incentives, and legislative proposals to strengthen the domestic maritime industrial base, reduce reliance on foreign production, and expand the U.S.-flagged fleet. The order also calls for trade enforcement actions related to China's maritime sector practices and proposes measures to modernize procurement, mariner training, and U.S. Merchant Marine infrastructure. All actions are to be coordinated and included in a final plan submitted to the President.
Immediate Assessment of Aviation Safety (text)	1/30/2025	Orders the Secretary of Transportation and the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to review all hiring decisions and changes to safety protocols made during the prior 4 years, and to take such corrective action as necessary to achieve uncompromised aviation safety, including the replacement of any individuals who do not meet qualification standards.
Keeping Americans Safe in Aviation (text)	1/21/2025	Mandates a return to merit-based hiring practices. Instructs the FAA to rescind diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) initiatives.
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Preventing Illegal Aliens from Obtaining Social Security Act Benefits (text)	4/15/2025	directs federal agencies to strengthen enforcement measures to prevent ineligible individuals, particularly illegal aliens, from receiving benefits under Social Security Act programs.

Restoring Common Sense to Federal Procurement (text)	4/15/2025	Directs the Federal Acquisition Regulatory Council and agency procurement officials to reform the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) to eliminate provisions not required by statute or essential to efficient and secure procurement. The order sets a 180-day deadline for revising the FAR to align with principles of simplicity, usability, and economic and national security. Agencies must designate officials to coordinate with the FAR Council and align their supplemental regulations, following the “ten-for-one” deregulatory standard established in Executive Order 14192. It also proposes a four-year sunset for any non-statutory FAR provision unless renewed by the Council.
Restoring Common Sense to Federal Office Space Management (text)	4/15/2025	Revokes Executive Orders 12072 and 13006, which previously prioritized locating federal facilities in urban central business districts and historic properties. It directs the General Services Administration to amend relevant regulations to allow greater flexibility in selecting federal office space based on cost-effectiveness and service efficiency.
Directing the Repeal of Unlawful Regulations (text)	4/9/2025	<p>Directs federal agencies to repeal existing regulations that are clearly unlawful or exceed statutory authority, particularly those inconsistent with recent Supreme Court decisions. Specific cases cited within the memo include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Loper Bright Enterprises v. Raimondo</i>, 603 U.S. 369 (2024); 2. <i>West Virginia v. EPA</i>, 597 U.S. 697 (2022); 3. <i>SEC v. Jarkesy</i>, 603 U.S. 109 (2024); 4. <i>Michigan v. EPA</i>, 576 U.S. 743 (2015); 5. <i>Sackett v. EPA</i>, 598 U.S. 651 (2023); 6. <i>Ohio v. EPA</i>, 603 U.S. 279 (2024); 7. <i>Cedar Point Nursery v. Hassid</i>, 594 U.S. 139 (2021); 8. <i>Students for Fair Admissions v. Harvard</i>, 600 U.S. 181 (2023); 9. <i>Carson v. Makin</i>, 596 U.S. 767 (2022); and 10. <i>Roman Cath. Diocese of Brooklyn v. Cuomo</i>, 592 U.S. 14 (2020).

Exclusions from Federal Labor-Management Relations Programs (text)	3/27/2025	Expands the list of federal agencies and subdivisions exempt from collective bargaining under federal labor-management relations law, citing national security concerns. It directs agency heads to reassign affected employees to agency work and terminate participation in pending labor disputes. It also delegates authority to the Secretaries of Defense, Veterans Affairs, and Transportation to suspend or exclude subdivisions from labor statute coverage where consistent with national security.
Addressing Risks From WilmerHale (text)	3/27/2025	Directs agencies to review and suspend security clearances held by individuals at WilmerHale, limit the firm's access to federal buildings and contracts, and restrict hiring of its employees without high-level waivers
Modernizing Payments To and From America's Bank Account (text)	3/25/2025	Directs federal agencies to enhance financial transparency, prevent improper payments and fraud, and consolidate financial systems under the Department of the Treasury. It requires agencies to comply with pre-certification verification for disbursements, reduce the use of Non-Treasury Disbursing Offices, and transition financial operations to Treasury-managed systems. The order also mandates agency compliance plans and outlines steps to modernize and centralize payment oversight and reporting.
Protecting America's Bank Account Against Fraud, Waste, and Abuse (text)	3/25/2025	Directs the Department of the Treasury to strengthen oversight of federal payments by implementing pre-certification verification for disbursements and consolidating disbursing authority from other agencies. It outlines measures to prevent fraud and improper payments, modernize and standardize financial systems, and reduce the number of Non-Treasury Disbursing Offices. The order also requires agencies to report on compliance and coordinate with Treasury to transition financial operations.

Preserving and Protecting the Integrity of American Elections (text)	3/25/2025	Directs federal agencies to enforce existing laws that prohibit non-citizens from voting in federal elections and require ballots to be received by Election Day. It outlines measures for verifying voter citizenship, maintaining accurate voter rolls, and enhancing election system security. The order also instructs the Election Assistance Commission to update voting system guidelines and halt funds to noncompliant states, while requiring the Department of Justice to prioritize prosecution of election-related crimes and end remaining agency activities tied to revoked Executive Order 14019 on voting access.
Addressing Risks from Jenner & Block (text)	3/25/2025	Directs federal agencies to review and, where appropriate, suspend security clearances, contracts, and federal building access related to the law firm Jenner & Block LLP.
Eliminating Waste and Saving Taxpayer Dollars by Consolidating Procurement (text)	3/20/2025	Directs federal agencies to consolidate procurement of common goods and services under the General Services Administration (GSA). It outlines a policy to eliminate duplication and inefficiencies by centralizing contracting authority, particularly for information technology. The order also requires agencies and GSA to develop and submit implementation plans to the Office of Management and Budget.
Continuing the Reduction of the Federal Bureaucracy (text)	3/14/2025	Directs the reduction or elimination of non-statutory functions within several federal agencies and offices that have been deemed unnecessary. Entities affected include the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, the United States Agency for Global Media, the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, the Institute of Museum and Library Services, the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness, the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund, and the Minority Business Development Agency.

Additional Recissions of Harmful Executive Orders and Actions (text)	3/14/2025	Eliminates directives related to public health responses, minimum wage requirements for federal contractors, energy supply management, biotechnology innovation, workforce rights, tribal funding structures, and various defense-related policies. It also revokes policies on international human rights advocacy, trade practices, and supply chain resilience.
Ensuring the Enforcement of Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(c) (text)	3/11/2025	Directs executive departments and agencies to enforce Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(c), ensuring that parties seeking injunctions against the federal government provide security to cover potential costs and damages if the injunction is later found to have been wrongfully issued. Agencies, in consultation with the Attorney General, must request courts to require security amounts proportional to the government's potential losses in all applicable cases. This directive does not create any enforceable rights but reinforces the government's commitment to protecting the integrity of legal processes and responsible use of taxpayer funds.
Addressing Risks from Perkins Coie LLP (text)	3/6/2025	Directs a review of security clearances and federal contracts involving Perkins Coie LLP, citing concerns over alleged unethical practices, racial discrimination, and potential national security risks. The order mandates that government agencies evaluate contracts with Perkins Coie and restrict access to government facilities and engagements with the firm.
Implementing the President's "Department of Government Efficiency" Cost Efficiency Initiative (text)	2/26/2025	Establishes measures to enhance transparency and accountability in federal spending on contracts, grants, and loans. It directs agencies to implement centralized tracking systems for payments, ensure written justifications for expenditures, and publicly disclose this information where permissible. Agencies must review existing contracts and grants for potential termination or modification to reduce costs and enhance efficiency. Additional measures include restricting non-essential travel, freezing government-issued credit cards for 30 days, and evaluating real property leases for potential cost savings. Exceptions apply for law enforcement, national security, and classified information.

Suspension of Security Clearances and Evaluation of Government Contracts (text)	2/25/2025	Directs the Attorney General and relevant agency heads to suspend the security clearances of Peter Koski and members of Covington & Burling LLP who assisted former Special Counsel Jack Smith, pending a review of their roles in judicial matters. It also instructs agencies to terminate engagements with the firm where legally permissible and requires the Office of Management and Budget to review all government contracts with Covington & Burling LLP. Additionally, the Office of Personnel Management must ensure compliance across all clearance-granting agencies.
Commencing the Reduction of the Federal Bureaucracy (text)	2/19/2025	Directs the reduction of certain federal entities and advisory committees to streamline government operations. Notable entities outlined in the order for dissolution include: the Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid, the Academic Research Council, the Credit Union Advisory Council, the Community Bank Advisory Council, the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Long COVID, and the Health Equity Advisory Committee.
Ensuring Accountability for All Agencies (text)	2/18/2025	Mandates that all executive agencies, including independent regulatory bodies, submit significant regulatory actions for review by the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA) before publication. The order also requires independent agencies to consult regularly with the White House, creates a White House Liaison position within these agencies, and grants the President and the Attorney General the final authority on legal interpretations for the executive branch. Additionally, it allows the OMB to review and adjust agency expenditures to align with the President's policies and priorities.
Radical Transparency About Wasteful Spending (text)	2/18/2025	Directs executive agencies to publicly disclose details of terminated programs, canceled contracts, and discontinued grants

Implementing The President's "Department of Government Efficiency" Workforce Optimization Initiative (text)	2/11/2025	Aims to reduce the size of the federal workforce by limiting hiring, eliminating certain programs, and preparing for large-scale reductions in force. It establishes a one-for-four hiring ratio, prioritizes functions related to public safety and immigration enforcement, and directs agencies to review and consolidate operations. Additionally, the order mandates rulemaking to revise federal hiring suitability criteria and requires agencies to submit reorganization plans to identify potential eliminations or consolidations.
Eliminating the Federal Executive Institute (text)	2/10/2025	Directs the elimination of the Federal Executive Institute by the Office of Personnel Management (OPM).
Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies (text)	2/6/2025	Directs the heads of executive departments and agencies to review all funding that agencies provide to NGOs. The heads of agencies shall align future funding decisions with the interests of the United States and with the goals and priorities of my Administration, as expressed in executive actions; as otherwise determined in the judgment of the heads of agencies; and on the basis of applicable authorizing statutes, regulations, and terms.
Unleashing Prosperity Through Deregulation (text)	1/31/2025	Establishes a regulatory reform policy requiring agencies to eliminate at least 10 existing regulations for every new regulation issued. It mandates that the total cost of new regulations for fiscal year 2025 be significantly less than zero and directs the OMB to oversee implementation through a regulatory budgeting process. The order also revokes the 2023 OMB Circular A-4 and reinstates the 2003 version to guide regulatory analysis.
Limiting Lame-Duck Collective Bargaining Agreements That Improperly Attempt to Constrain the New President (text)	1/31/2025	Establishes a policy to prevent last-minute collective bargaining agreements (CBAs) negotiated in the final 30 days of an outgoing administration from constraining the incoming President's executive authority. The memo also prohibits agencies from finalizing CBAs that create new obligations, modify existing agreements, or extend contract durations during this transition period.

Council to Assess the Federal Emergency Management Agency (text)	1/24/2025	Establishes the Federal Emergency Management Agency Review Council to assess FEMA's performance and recommend improvements to enhance disaster response and recovery capabilities.
Declassification of Records Concerning the Assassinations of President John F. Kennedy, Senator Robert F. Kennedy, and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. (text)	1/23/2025	Mandates the declassification and release of government records related to the assassinations of President John F. Kennedy, Senator Robert F. Kennedy, and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
Ending Illegal Discrimination And Restoring Merit-Based Opportunity (text)	1/22/2025	Directs agencies to ensure compliance with civil rights laws, revokes previous orders promoting DEI, and mandates measures to promote merit-based practices and accountability in federal hiring and contracting
Initial Rescissions of Harmful Executive Orders and Actions (text)	1/20/2025	Revokes numerous directives from the previous administration pertaining to racial equity, environmental protections, health care accessibility, ethical standards in government, LGBTQ+ rights, immigration policies, pandemic response, and various climate and energy initiatives.
Regulatory Freeze Pending Review (text)	1/20/2025	Mandates a regulatory freeze across all executive departments and agencies, prohibiting the proposal or issuance of new rules until they are reviewed and approved by presidential appointees.
Establishing And Implementing The President's "Department Of Government Efficiency" (text)	1/20/2025	Establishes the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) for the purpose of modernizing federal technology and software to maximize governmental efficiency and productivity.

Ending the Weaponization of the Federal Government (text)	1/20/2025	Establishes a framework to review and address perceived instances of misuse of federal law enforcement and intelligence agencies for political purposes during the previous administration, with directives to identify misconduct, ensure accountability, and recommend corrective actions to uphold constitutional principles and government integrity.
Hiring Freeze (text)	1/20/2025	Implements a federal hiring freeze, prohibiting the filling of vacant executive branch positions or creation of new ones, except in certain cases.
Reforming The Federal Hiring Process And Restoring Merit To Government Service (text)	1/20/2025	Directs the development of a Federal Hiring Plan to modernize recruitment, reduce hiring timelines, enhance communication with candidates, and ensure the allocation of skilled personnel to critical government functions, while establishing accountability measures to track progress and effectiveness.
Restoring Accountability for Career Senior Executives (text)	1/20/2025	Directs agency heads to reassign, evaluate, and, if necessary, remove underperforming Senior Executive Service (SES) officials, reaffirming the President's constitutional authority to ensure faithful execution of the law
Restoring Accountability To Policy-Influencing Positions Within the Federal Workforce (text)	1/20/2025	Reinstates and amends the 2020 policy that reclassified certain federal civil service positions into a new Schedule Policy/Career category (Schedule F).
Promoting Beautiful Federal Civic Architecture (text)	1/20/2025	Directs the General Services Administration (GSA) to provide recommendations for ensuring federal public buildings reflect regional, traditional, and classical architectural heritage to enhance civic identity and public spaces.
Restoring Names That Honor American Greatness (text)	1/20/2025	Directs the renaming of national landmarks and geographic features to honor American heritage and patriotism, including reinstating the name Mount McKinley and renaming the Gulf of Mexico to the Gulf of America. Establishes procedures to ensure federal naming practices celebrate visionary Americans and supports collaboration with local and Native entities to preserve cultural heritage.

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Updating Permitting Technology for the 21st Century (text)	4/15/2025	Directs agencies to modernize federal environmental review and permitting processes by adopting unified digital systems. It requires the Council on Environmental Quality to issue a Permitting Technology Action Plan within 45 days, including common data standards and minimum software requirements. Agencies must begin implementing these standards within 90 days of the plan's release. It also establishes a Permitting Innovation Center to prototype and deploy tools for case management, application automation, and interagency data exchange.
Zero-Based Regulatory Budgeting to Unleash American Energy (text)	4/9/2025	Directs certain agencies regulating energy and the environment to adopt sunset provisions for their regulations. Covered agencies must issue rules by September 30, 2025, establishing expiration dates—unless extended through public review—for regulations issued under specified statutory authorities. New regulations must include a maximum five-year sunset date, with limited exceptions. The order excludes permitting regimes authorized by statute and aims to promote periodic reassessment of regulatory burdens.
Strengthening the Reliability and Security of the United States Electric Grid (text)	4/8/2025	Directs the Secretary of Energy to ensure the reliability of the U.S. electric grid in response to rising electricity demand. The Department must streamline emergency processes under section 202(c) of the Federal Power Act and develop a methodology to assess grid reserve margins. The order also requires identifying and preserving critical power generation resources in regions at risk of supply shortfalls.
Protecting American Energy From State Overreach (text)	4/8/2025	Directs the Attorney General to identify and challenge state or local laws that restrict the development or use of domestic energy resources and may be unconstitutional or preempted by federal law. The Attorney General must prioritize laws related to climate change, carbon penalties, and ESG initiatives, and take appropriate legal action to halt their enforcement. A report on these actions is due to the President within 60 days.

Regulatory Relief for Certain Statutory Sources to Promote American Energy (text)	4/8/2025	Grants a two-year exemption from the EPA's updated Mercury and Air Toxics Standards (MATS) rule for certain coal-fired power plants identified in Annex I. The exemption delays the compliance deadline from July 8, 2027, to July 8, 2029, citing the unavailability of commercially viable emissions-control technologies and national security concerns related to grid reliability and energy supply. During the exemption period, affected sources will remain subject to the prior MATS standards.
Reinvigorating America's Beautiful Clean Coal Industry and Amending Executive Order 14241 (text)	4/8/2025	Declares coal essential to national and economic security and directs agencies to prioritize coal production, usage, and exports. It mandates a review and revision of federal regulations and policies that restrict coal use, encourages development on federal lands, and promotes coal-based technologies and infrastructure. It also calls for identifying coal-powered infrastructure to support AI data centers and designating coal as a critical mineral or material for steelmaking.
Immediate Measures to Increase American Mineral Production (text)	3/20/2025	Directs federal agencies to take all necessary steps to accelerate domestic mineral production for national security and economic resilience. It prioritizes permitting, land access, and investment support for mining and processing projects, including through Defense Production Act authorities. The order also calls for regulatory streamlining, interagency coordination, and the use of public-private capital tools to strengthen the U.S. mineral supply chain.

Achieving Efficiency Through State and Local Preparedness (text)	3/19/2025	Mandates the development of a National Resilience Strategy within 90 days to guide risk-informed decision-making and enhance infrastructure preparedness, with the goal of empowering state and local governments to play a more active role in infrastructure security and emergency response. The order also calls for a comprehensive review of critical infrastructure, continuity, and preparedness policies, leading to potential revisions or rescissions of outdated regulations. Additionally, a National Risk Register will be established to quantify natural and malicious threats, shaping intelligence, private sector investments, and federal budget priorities. The Department of Homeland Security is tasked with simplifying federal preparedness structures to improve coordination with state and local governments.
Establishing the National Energy Dominance Council (text)	2/14/2025	Establishes the National Energy Dominance Council to coordinate federal efforts to expand domestic energy production and reduce regulatory barriers. The council is tasked with advising the President on enhancing energy infrastructure, expediting permits, increasing private sector investment, and eliminating unnecessary regulations to achieve U.S. energy dominance. Additionally, the order prioritizes national security, economic growth, and technological innovation in energy production, ensuring interagency cooperation to increase domestic energy supply, lower costs, and reduce reliance on foreign imports.
Emergency Measures to Provide Water Resources in California and Improve Disaster Response in Certain Areas (text)	1/24/2025	Mandates federal agencies to take immediate and specific actions to address water resource shortages, improve disaster preparedness, and assist affected families in disaster-stricken areas, including Southern California and North Carolina.
Declaring a National Energy Emergency (text)	1/20/2025	Directs federal agencies to expedite the identification, development, and transportation of domestic energy resources, streamline regulatory processes, and bolster infrastructure, including the use of emergency authorities.

Putting People Over Fish: Stopping Radical Environmentalism to Provide Water to Southern California (text)	1/20/2025	Directs the Departments of Commerce and Interior to promote efforts undertaken by the first Trump administration to route more water from the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta to other parts of the state for use.
Temporary Withdrawal of All Areas on the Outer Continental Shelf from Offshore Wind Leasing and Review of the Federal Government's Leasing and Permitting Practices for Wind Projects (text)	1/20/2025	Temporarily halts new offshore wind energy leasing across the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) and suspends federal approvals for onshore and offshore wind projects, and also mandates comprehensive review of wind leasing and permitting practices, existing projects, and the ecological and economic effects of defunct infrastructure.
Putting America First In International Environmental Agreements (text)	1/20/2025	Mandates the U.S. withdrawal from the Paris Climate Accords and rescinds financial commitments linked to climate initiatives.
Unleashing American Energy (text)	1/20/2025	<p>Revokes several climate-focused executive orders from the Biden administration, pauses disbursement of Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) funds, eliminates certain regulatory constraints, and mandates reviews to reduce barriers to energy and mineral resource development while ensuring regulatory efficiency and public accountability.</p> <p>Pursuant to guidance issued by the OMB on 1/22, the pause in IRA and BIL funds “only applies to funds supporting programs, projects, or activities that may be implicated by the policy established in Section 2 of the order. This interpretation is consistent with section 7’s heading (“Terminating the Green New Deal”) and its reference to the ‘law and the policy outlined in section 2 of th[e] order.”</p>
Unleashing Alaska’s Extraordinary Resource Potential (text)	1/20/2025	Aims to bolster resource development in Alaska, including by reversing prior restrictions, expediting permitting, and prioritizing liquified natural gas projects.
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Invocation of the Alien Enemies Act Regarding the Invasion of The United States by Tren De Aragua (text)	3/15/2025	Formally declares Tren de Aragua (TdA) a foreign terrorist organization engaged in hostile actions against the United States. It asserts that TdA has infiltrated the country, conducts irregular warfare, and operates alongside the Maduro regime in Venezuela to threaten national security. Citing the Alien Enemies Act, it orders the immediate apprehension, detention, and removal of TdA members who are Venezuelan nationals unlawfully present in the U.S. The Attorney General and Secretary of Homeland Security are directed to implement enforcement actions, including restricting entry, detaining suspects, seizing assets linked to TdA activities, and coordinating with state and local authorities to execute the proclamation's provisions.
Ending Taxpayer Subsidization of Open Borders (text)	2/19/2025	Directs federal agencies to ensure compliance with existing laws that govern eligibility for taxpayer-funded public benefits. Agencies must identify federally funded programs that currently allow ineligible individuals to receive benefits and take appropriate actions to align them with legal requirements.
One Voice for America's Foreign Relations (text)	2/12/2025	Mandates reforms in the Foreign Service and the administration of U.S. foreign relations to ensure that all personnel faithfully implement the President's foreign policy agenda. It grants the Secretary of State sole discretion to take personnel actions against Foreign Service members, Civil Service employees, and other staff who fail to adhere to the President's directives.
Pausing Foreign Corrupt Practices Act Enforcement to Further American Economic and National Security (text)	2/10/2025	Directs a temporary halt to new investigations and enforcement actions under the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) while the Attorney General reviews its enforcement guidelines. The Attorney General is tasked with issuing revised policies within 180 days, with potential extensions or further actions based on the review's findings.
Addressing Egregious Actions of The Republic of South Africa (text)	2/7/2025	Directs the suspension of U.S. foreign aid to South Africa and prioritizes refugee resettlement for Afrikaners, citing concerns over property rights, racial discrimination, and South Africa's foreign policy positions.

Imposing Sanctions on the International Criminal Court (text)	2/6/2025	Imposes sanctions and entry restrictions on individuals involved in the International Criminal Court's (ICC) investigations or actions against U.S. or allied personnel without their country's consent.
National Security Presidential Memorandum/NSPM-2 (text)	2/5/2025	Directs a comprehensive strategy to impose maximum pressure on Iran, aiming to counter its nuclear ambitions, disrupt its terrorist networks, and eliminate sources of financial and logistical support.
Withdrawing the United States from and Ending Funding to Certain United Nations Organizations and Reviewing United States Support to All International Organizations (text)	2/4/2025	Directs the United States to withdraw from the UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC) and reevaluate its membership in UNESCO due to concerns about anti-Israel sentiment and governance failures. It also ends all U.S. funding for the UN Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA), citing allegations of involvement with terrorist organizations. Additionally, it mandates a comprehensive review of U.S. participation in international organizations, conventions, and treaties to determine whether they align with U.S. interests.
Progress on the Situation at Our Northern Border (text)	2/3/2025	Delays the implementation of tariffs on Canadian imports until March 4, 2025.
Progress on the Situation at Our Southern Border (text)	2/3/2025	Delays the implementation of previously announced tariffs on Mexican imports until March 4, 2025.
Expanding Migrant Operations Center at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay to Full Capacity (text)	1/29/2025	Directs the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Homeland Security to take all appropriate actions to expand the Migrant Operations Center at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay to full capacity to provide additional detention space for high-priority criminal aliens unlawfully present in the United States, and to address attendant immigration enforcement needs identified by the Department of Defense and the Department of Homeland Security.

Guaranteeing the States Protection Against Invasion (text)	1/20/2025	Declares the situation at the southern as an invasion under Article IV sec. 4 of the Constitution. Restricts provisions of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) allowing migrants to remain in the United States and suspends entry of people unable to produce sufficient medical records.
Declaring a National Emergency at the Southern Border of the United States (text)	1/20/2025	Declares a national emergency at the southern border and directs the Secretary of Defense to deploy Armed Forces to support the Department of Homeland Security's control of the border. Directs DoD and DHS to construct additional barriers and Transportation to lift FAA and FCC regulations restricting DHS's ability to counter unmanned aerial systems. Additionally directs DoD and DHS to prioritize denial of physical entry across the border and the use of force policies from Armed Forces members.
Clarifying the Military's Role in Protecting the Territorial Integrity of the United States (text)	1/20/2025	Directs the Secretary of Defense to deliver a revision of the Unified Command Plan that assigns United States Northern Command (USNORTHCOM) the mission to seal the borders and maintain the sovereignty.
Protecting the United States from Foreign Terrorists and Other National Security and Public Safety Threats (text)	1/20/2025	Creates measures for bolstering vetting and screening of foreign national seeking entry to the U.S. in the interest of protecting U.S. citizens from terrorism, potentially hostile ideologies, and other threats.
Protecting the American People against Invasion (text)	1/20/2025	Aims to bolster enforcement of U.S. immigration laws to respond to perceived threats from illegal immigration. Rescinds previous orders and establishes priorities for detaining and removing inadmissible migrants.
Realigning the United States Refugee Admissions Program (text)	1/20/2025	Suspends entry into the United States under the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program (USRAP) and allows the Secretaries of State and Homeland Security to jointly admit refugees on a case-by-case basis. Directs DHS and the Attorney General to examine how States and localities can have greater involvement regarding resettlement of refugees.

Securing Our Borders (text)	1/20/2025	Aims to bolster U.S. border security in response to an “unprecedented” flow of illegal immigration. Outlines intentions to establish physical barriers, increasing personnel deployments, impose stricter detention and removal policies, and increase cooperation with State and local law enforcement officials.
Protecting the Meaning and Value of American Citizenship (text)	1/20/2025	Effectively seeks to eliminate birthright citizenship, including by stipulating that individuals born to mothers unlawfully present in the U.S. or with temporary legal status will not automatically receive citizenship. *Note: U.S. District Judge John C. Coughenour blocked this EO from taking effect for 14 days on Jan. 23, 2025. *Note: U.S. District Judge John Coughenour' issued a preliminary injunction halting the order on Feb. 6, 2025 *Note: U.S. District Judge Joseph Laplante issued a preliminary injunction against this order on Feb. 7, 2025 *Note: U.S. District Judge Leo Sorokin issued a nationwide preliminary injunction on Feb. 13, 2025.
Reevaluating and Realigning United States Foreign Aid (text)	1/20/2025	Places a hold on U.S. foreign development assistance for 90 days to allow for an assessment of alignment with U.S. interests and values. Requires reviews of current programs to ensure consistency with U.S. foreign policy.
America First Policy Directive To The Secretary Of State (text)	1/20/2025	Establishes an 'America First' foreign policy directive, prioritizing the interests of the United States and its citizens in all foreign affairs. Directs the Secretary of State to align the Department of State's policies, programs, and operations with this principle while ensuring compliance with applicable laws and budgetary considerations.
Technology/Censorship/Etc. (back to top)		

Removing Barriers to American Leadership in Artificial Intelligence (text)	1/23/2025	Outlines a plan to strengthen the United States' global leadership in artificial intelligence (AI) by fostering innovation, economic competitiveness, and national security. The order revokes prior policies, including Executive Order 14110, directs a review of any regulations or actions that impede innovation, and mandates the development of an action plan to maintain AI leadership within 180 days.
President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (text)	1/23/2025	Establishes the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST) to guide the United States toward leadership in critical scientific and technological fields, including artificial intelligence, quantum computing, and biotechnology. It revokes prior advisory frameworks, emphasizes private-sector and academic collaboration, and directs PCAST to provide strategic recommendations on innovation policy, national security, and global competitiveness
Application Of Protecting Americans From Foreign Adversary Controlled Applications Act To TikTok (text)	1/20/2025	Delays enforcement of the Protecting Americans from Foreign Adversary Controlled Applications Act for 75 days to allow the administration to assess TikTok's national security risks and explore mitigation measures while avoiding an abrupt platform shutdown. Directs the Attorney General to issue guidance ensuring no penalties or liabilities are imposed for actions taken during the delay period and to safeguard the executive branch's exclusive enforcement authority under the Act.
Restoring Freedom Of Speech And Ending Federal Censorship (text)	1/20/2025	Prohibits federal entities from engaging in actions that unconstitutionally restrict free speech, addressing concerns over alleged censorship by the previous administration through coercion of online platforms. Directs the Attorney General to investigate past government activities related to speech suppression and recommend corrective actions to uphold First Amendment rights."
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Modernizing Defense Acquisitions and Spurring Innovation in the Defense Industrial Base (text)	4/9/2025	Directs the Department of Defense to reform its acquisition system to improve speed, flexibility, and innovation. It requires a plan within 60 days to streamline procurement processes, reduce bureaucratic tasks, and prioritize commercial and rapid acquisition pathways. The order also mandates a review of the defense acquisition workforce and major acquisition programs, with potential cancellation of programs that are over budget, delayed, or misaligned with strategic goals. Additional reviews target regulatory guidance and requirements processes to support modernization of the defense industrial base.
The Iron Dome for America (text)	1/27/2025	Directs the development and deployment of a next-generation missile defense shield to protect the United States from ballistic, hypersonic, cruise missile, and other advanced aerial threats.
Prioritizing Military Excellence and Readiness (text)	1/27/2025	Revokes prior directives allowing service by individuals identifying with a gender different from their sex and mandates corresponding policy changes for the Coast Guard.
Restoring America's Fighting Force (text)	1/27/2025	Eliminates Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) offices within the Department of Defense and Department of Homeland Security as they pertain to the U.S. Coast Guard, prohibiting race- and sex-based preferences and divisive concepts.
Reinstating Service Members Discharged Under the Military's COVID-19 Vaccination Mandate (text)	1/27/2025	Directs the Department of Defense and the Department of Homeland Security to reinstate service members discharged solely for refusing the COVID-19 vaccine, with full restoration of rank, back pay, benefits, and bonuses
Organization of the National Security Council and Subcommittees (text)	1/20/2025	Reorganizes the National Security Council (NSC) to enhance coordination among agencies in addressing complex and evolving national security threats
Holding Former Government Officials Accountable for Election Interference and Improper Disclosure of Sensitive Governmental Information (text)	1/20/2025	Revokes security clearances from former intelligence officials accused of coordinating with the Biden administration and engaging in "election interference" during the 2020 election.

Memorandum to Resolve the Backlog of Security Clearances for Executive Office of the President Personnel (text)	1/20/2025	Grants interim Top Secret/Sensitive Compartmented Information (TS/SCI) clearances for up to six months.
Designating Cartels And Other Organizations As Foreign Terrorist Organizations And Specially Designated Global Terrorists (text)	1/20/2025	Declares a national emergency to address the threat posed by international cartels and other transnational organizations such as MS-13 and Tren de Aragua, which are designated for potential classification as Foreign Terrorist Organizations or Specially Designated Global Terrorists.
Education (back to top)		
Improving Education Outcomes by Empowering Parents, States, and Communities (text)	3/20/2025	Directs the Secretary of Education to take all necessary and lawful steps to begin the process of closing the U.S. Department of Education. It outlines a policy shift to return primary authority over education to state and local governments. The order instructs the Department to ensure the continued and effective delivery of education-related services and benefits during the transition and to maintain compliance with federal law, including requirements related to nondiscrimination in federally funded programs.
Restoring Public Service Loan Forgiveness (text)	3/7/2025	Directs the Secretary of Education to revise the Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) Program regulations to exclude organizations with a substantial illegal purpose from qualifying as "public service" employers. The proposed changes would ensure that PSLF benefits are not extended to individuals working for organizations involved in illegal immigration, terrorism support, child abuse, illegal discrimination, or violations of state laws related to public order and safety.
Keeping Education Accessible and Ending Covid-19 Vaccine Mandates in Schools (text)	2/15/2025	Prohibits the use of discretionary federal funds to support schools and universities that require COVID-19 vaccinations for in-person attendance. It directs the Secretary of Education to issue guidelines informing educational institutions of their legal obligations regarding parental authority, religious freedom, disability accommodations, and equal protection in relation to COVID-19 mandates.

Expanding Educational Freedom and Opportunity for Families (text)	1/29/2025	Directs federal agencies to promote educational choice by allowing states, military families, and tribal communities to use federal funds for alternatives to government-run schools, including private and faith-based options. The Departments of Education, Labor, HHS, Defense, and Interior are to review and adjust funding mechanisms to support school choice initiatives, particularly for low-income and military families. Additionally, it prioritizes education freedom in discretionary grant programs and seeks to expand opportunities for students in Bureau of Indian Education schools.
Ending Radical Indoctrination in K-12 Schooling (text)	1/29/2025	Directs federal agencies to ensure K-12 schools comply with civil rights laws protecting parental rights and prohibiting discrimination, while preventing the use of federal funds for curricula that promote race- or sex-based stereotyping or gender ideology. It also mandates agency reviews of federal education funding to ensure alignment with these policies and enhances enforcement of constitutional education requirements in federally funded institutions.
DEI/Gender Policy/Etc. (back to top)		
Making the District of Columbia Safe and Beautiful (text)	3/28/2025	Establishes a federal initiative to improve safety, cleanliness, and aesthetics in Washington, D.C.
Restoring Truth and Sanity to American History (text)	3/27/2025	Directs the Vice President and relevant agencies to counter ideologically driven historical narratives in federally funded museums and sites, particularly the Smithsonian Institution.
Removing Discrimination and Discriminatory Equity Ideology From the Foreign Service (text)	3/19/2025	Directs the removal of diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility (DEIA) considerations from hiring, promotion, and retention decisions within the Foreign Service, emphasizing a merit-based system

Designating English as the Official Language of The United States (text)	3/1/2025	Designates English as the official language of the United States, emphasizing the importance of a unified national language to promote societal cohesion, civic engagement, and efficient government operations. The order revokes Executive Order 13166, which previously mandated improved access to services for individuals with limited English proficiency, while allowing agency heads discretion in providing services in other languages as needed.
Ending Procurement and Forced Use of Paper Straws (text)	2/10/2025	Directs federal agencies to cease purchasing and providing paper straws, and mandates the development of a National Strategy to End the Use of Paper Straws, including reviewing policies that disfavor plastic straws and assessing contract terms with entities that restrict plastic straw use.
Establishment of the White House Faith Office (text)	2/7/2025	Establishes the White House Faith Office, reinforces protections for religious liberty, and expands government partnerships with faith-based entities, community organizations, and houses of worship.
Protecting Second Amendment Rights (text)	2/7/2025	Prioritizes the review and potential rollback of firearm-related regulations from the previous administration. The Attorney General is directed to assess whether any federal actions unlawfully restricted Second Amendment rights and propose a plan to eliminate or modify such restrictions.
Eradicating Anti-Christian Bias (text)	2/6/2025	Establishes a Task Force to Eradicate Anti-Christian Bias within the Department of Justice to investigate and address alleged government policies and actions perceived as targeting Christians.
Keeping Men Out of Women's Sports (text)	2/5/2025	Establishes a policy to preserve women's sports for biological females by enforcing Title IX protections and preventing male participation in female athletic competitions.
Celebrating America's 250th Birthday (text)	1/30/2025	Establishes a task force, Task Force 250, to plan and organize celebrations for the 250th anniversary of American Independence on July 4, 2026.

Additional Measures to Combat Anti-Semitism (text)	1/29/2025	Directs agencies to review and report on all available legal tools to address anti-Semitic harassment and violence, including civil and criminal actions against institutions of higher education. It also calls for enhanced monitoring and potential removal of foreign individuals engaged in anti-Semitic activities on campuses, ensuring a more robust federal response to post-October 7, 2023, incidents of discrimination and violence
Protecting Children from Chemical and Surgical Mutilation (text)	1/28/2025	<p>Directs federal agencies to prohibit the use of federal funds for medical interventions intended to alter a child's sex, including puberty blockers, hormone treatments, and surgeries. It mandates the rescission of guidance based on non-federal medical organizations, restricts federal health insurance programs such as TRICARE and the Federal Employee Health Benefits program from covering these procedures, and calls for enforcement actions against deceptive medical practices</p> <p>*Note: U.S. District Judge Lauren King granted a temporary restraining order on Feb. 18, 2025.</p>
Defending Women From Gender Ideology Extremism And Restoring Biological Truth To The Federal Government (text)	1/20/2025	<p>Establishes a federal policy defining biological sex as immutable and distinct, directing agencies to enforce sex-based distinctions in laws, policies, and programs. Rescinds prior directives promoting gender identity policies, limits federal funding for gender ideology, and mandates updates to federal documents and identification to reflect biological sex.</p> <p>*Note: Federal judge has blocked the Trump administration from enforcing policy requiring the transfer of transgender women prisoners into men's facilities on Feb. 5.</p>
Ending Radical And Wasteful Government DEI Programs And Preferencing (text)	1/20/2025	Directs the termination of all federal diversity, equity, inclusion (DEI), and environmental justice programs, positions, and initiatives implemented under previous administrations.

Summary of Known Current Direct Federal Executive Branch Impacts from Funding 'Freeze', Office Closures, and Federal Staffing Actions as of April 25, 2025

Federal Agency	Program Name	Local Program Description	Current Administrative Impact/Problem	Reason/Cause of Problem	Status/Updates
EPA	Community Change Grant (IRA) \$19 million	The North Richmond Community Resilience Initiative was awarded \$19 million to fund: Constructing a community resilience center at the Urban Tilth farm; Creating a green schoolyard at Verde Elementary School by removing asphalt and planting trees; Planting trees throughout the community; Providing clean energy upgrades to homes in North Richmond; Renovating four former Las Deltas Housing Authority units with clean energy upgrades and offering them to first-time homebuyers; Making improvements to Wildcat Creek Trail;	Grant Cancellation: Purported cancellation of \$19 mill EPA Community Change Grant (see attachments for details)	Executive Order and/or Federal Agency decision	Reps. Garamendi and DeSaulnier recently authored letter; Senators Schiff and Padilla have authored a letter. Courts have issued a TRO, however,
HHS	Head Start	The County provides early childhood care and education to over 2,100 children and their families as a Head Start grantee.	SF Office Closures and layoffs have resulted in a lack of critical federal administrative and oversight staffing. No federal staff contact has been assigned to receive reports of unusual incidents, or to address questions. No federal Head Start staff has appeared at the County's recent scheduled virtual monthly meetings.	Executive Actions to close the HHS San Francisco Office. Closures and staff layoffs have lead to severe staffing shortages, Coordinating with with no one there to assist with regular required meetings, corrdination, or responses. HHS. The County sends correspondence to general inbox (as directed by HHS).	

Summary of Likely Current Direct Federal Executive Branch Impacts from Funding 'Freeze', Office Closures, and Federal Staffing Actions under Ananlysis as of April 25, 2025

Federal Agency	Program Name	Local Program Description	Current Administrative Impact/Problem	Reason/Cause of Problem	Status/Updates
DOT	Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Grant Program \$15 million	The County's "EV 4 All" program will install Electric Vehicle Supplying Equipment (EVSE) at 15 county library sites located within 14 different cities, towns, and census-designated places. Five percent of the award will support vital outreach and education activities to expand EV awareness and adoption in the county, including awareness of EV purchasing incentives and EV workforce development pathways.	Funding Pause: \$15 million in subrecipient funds are frozen: County is a sub-recipient of Caltrans. Caltrans and the State of California are the grantee.	Executive Order and/or Federal Agency decision	Awaiting updates from Caltrans and County Public Works.
FEMA	State OES Grants with County Subrecipient Relationships	Impacted subrecipient grants include: Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP), Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP), Emergency Operations Center Grant Program (EOCGP), Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program and State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) Subrecipients	CalOES Grant suspension: Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) have paused federal grant funding while they conduct a "manual review" of its grant programs, including pending disbursement requests for obligated grant funds.	Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) have paused federal grant funding	Working with department to confirm whether County grants have been impacted.
FEMA	Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC)	BRIC is an annual funding opportunity for communities recently hit by disasters. It aimed to shift the federal response from reactive cleanup toward research-supported, proactive investment in community resilience. Funds are used for disaster prevention and preparedness efforts, such as vegetation management for fire prevention efforts.	BRIC Suspension	Decision of DHS Secretary Noem (press release April 4, 2025)	Working with department to confirm whether County grants have been impacted.
HHS	LIHEAP	The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) provides assistance to reduce the cost associated with home energy bills, weatherization, and minor energy related home repairs.	SF Office Closures and layoffs have reported impacts to the LIHEAP program. Utility assistance is reported as 'frozen' by regional partners and media outlets.	Executive Actions to close the HHS San Francisco Office.	Confirming the extent and scope of local impacts.



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Padilla, Schiff Join Colleagues in Demanding EPA Reverse Unlawful Termination of Grants for Clean Air and Water

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Today, U.S. Senators Alex Padilla and Adam Schiff (both D-Calif.) **JOINED** ([HTTPS://WWW.SCHIFF.SENATE.GOV/WP-CONTENT/UPLOADS/2025/03/LETTER-RE-EJ-GRANT-TERMINATIONS-AND-OEJ-ECR-CLOSURE.PDF](https://www.schiff.senate.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/letter-re-ej-grant-terminations-and-oej-ecr-closure.pdf)) Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (D-R.I.), Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works (EPW), Senator Lisa Blunt Rochester (D-Del.), and all Democratic Committee members in demanding Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Lee Zeldin reverse his illegal termination of congressionally authorized grants aimed at eliminating childhood lead poisoning, reducing toxic air pollution, and mitigating health risks from heat and wildfires, among other essential purposes.

Along with the letter, the Committee released never-before-seen, internal EPA documents that list **400 GRANTS** ([HTTPS://WWW.EPW.SENATE.GOV/PUBLIC/INDEX.CFM?A=FILES.SERVE&FILE_ID=2FBA3E39-8F8F-4535-AC6B-EF1620896335](https://www.epw.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?A=FILES.SERVE&FILE_ID=2FBA3E39-8F8F-4535-AC6B-EF1620896335)), including a total of 63 California grants, targeted for termination and expose that the agency knowingly and **WILLFULLY VIOLATED** ([HTTPS://WWW.EPW.SENATE.GOV/PUBLIC/INDEX.CFM?A=FILES.SERVE&FILE_ID=D0DFDCBC-4C73-4AC6-BA9B-E2326AF3E8C9](https://www.epw.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?A=FILES.SERVE&FILE_ID=D0DFDCBC-4C73-4AC6-BA9B-E2326AF3E8C9)) contractual obligations and court orders.

“According to documents obtained exclusively by Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works Democratic Staff, including a list produced by your office of roughly **400 GRANTS** ([HTTPS://WWW.EPW.SENATE.GOV/PUBLIC/INDEX.CFM?A=FILES.SERVE&FILE_ID=2FBA3E39-8F8F-4535-AC6B-EF1620896335](https://www.epw.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?A=FILES.SERVE&FILE_ID=2FBA3E39-8F8F-4535-AC6B-EF1620896335)) targeted for termination, you pursued these terminations in **KNOWING VIOLATION** ([HTTPS://WWW.EPW.SENATE.GOV/PUBLIC/INDEX.CFM?A=FILES.SERVE&FILE_ID=D0DFDCBC-4C73-4AC6-BA9B-E2326AF3E8C9](https://www.epw.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?A=FILES.SERVE&FILE_ID=D0DFDCBC-4C73-4AC6-BA9B-E2326AF3E8C9)) of the Terms and Conditions clauses of EPA’s contracts, which stipulate conditions under which a grant can be terminated. We call on you to follow the law, cease and desist implementation of EO 14151, rescind the grant terminations, and provide information on EPA’s decision-making process concerning the grant terminations and wider closure of the Office of Environmental Justice and External Civil Rights,” **wrote the Senators.**

Administrator Zeldin **ANNOUNCED** ([HTTPS://WWW.EPA.GOV/NEWSRELEASES/EPA-ADMINISTRATOR-LEE-ZELDIN-CANCELS-400-GRANTS-4TH-ROUND-CUTS-DOGE-SAVING-AMERICANS](https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-administrator-lee-zeldin-cancels-400-grants-4th-round-cuts-doge-saving-americans)) on March 10, 2025, that in a joint effort with the so-called “Department of Government Efficiency,” EPA had terminated more than 400 grants that would have invested \$1.7 billion to improve air and water quality and enhance resilience to extreme weather in communities across the United States. The vast majority of the grants were made using Congressionally appropriated funds under a statutory mandate. Any attempt to withhold the funds violates the Impoundment Control Act and Congress’s constitutional Article I spending authority, which Administrator Zeldin explicitly promised

not to do at his confirmation **HEARING**

([HTTPS://WWW.EPW.SENATE.GOV/PUBLIC/INDEX.CFM/2025/1/HEARING-ON-THE-NOMINATION-OF-THE-HONORABLE-LEE-M-ZELDIN-TO-BE-ADMINISTRATOR-OF-THE-ENVIRONMENTAL-PROTECTION-AGENCY](https://www.epw.senate.gov/public/index.cfm/2025/1/hearing-on-the-nomination-of-the-honorable-lee-m-zeldin-to-be-administrator-of-the-environmental-protection-agency)).

Furthermore, "EPA's grant terminations were made knowing that they violate EPA's own contracts. According to information obtained exclusively by EPW Democratic Staff, termination notices sent by EPA to grantees knowingly and deceptively cited contract language that was not actually in many of the contracts in an effort to shift the burden to grantees to challenge your illegal terminations in the courts," **continued the Senators.**

EPW Democrats are **DEMANDING** ([HTTPS://WWW.SCHIFF.SENATE.GOV/WP-CONTENT/UPLOADS/2025/03/LETTER-RE-EJ-GRANT-TERMINATIONS-AND-OEJ-ECR-CLOSURE.PDF](https://www.schiff.senate.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/letter-re-ej-grant-terminations-and-oej-ecr-closure.pdf)) that EPA immediately reverse any terminations already made and cease and desist making further unlawful terminations. EPW Democrats are also requesting that EPA, in accordance with commitments the EPA Administrator made during his confirmation hearing, produce documents and information related to the illegal claw backs by March 31, 2025.

Full text of the letter is available **HERE** ([HTTPS://WWW.SCHIFF.SENATE.GOV/WP-CONTENT/UPLOADS/2025/03/LETTER-RE-EJ-GRANT-TERMINATIONS-AND-OEJ-ECR-CLOSURE.PDF](https://www.schiff.senate.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/letter-re-ej-grant-terminations-and-oej-ecr-closure.pdf)).

The full list of 400 EPA grants targeted for termination is available **HERE** ([HTTPS://WWW.EPW.SENATE.GOV/PUBLIC/INDEX.CFM?A=FILES.SERVE&FILE_ID=2FBA3E39-8F8F-4535-AC6B-EF1620896335](https://www.epw.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?a=files.serve&file_id=2fba3e39-8f8f-4535-ac6b-ef1620896335)).

Internal emails that expose how EPA knowingly and willfully violated its own contracts and court orders are available **HERE** ([HTTPS://WWW.EPW.SENATE.GOV/PUBLIC/INDEX.CFM?A=FILES.SERVE&FILE_ID=D0DFDCBC-4C73-4AC6-BA9B-E2326AF3E8C9](https://www.epw.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?a=files.serve&file_id=d0dfdcbc-4c73-4ac6-ba9b-e2326af3e8c9)).

Sample termination letters, which cite contract language that did not appear in the respective grant contracts, are available **HERE** ([HTTPS://WWW.EPW.SENATE.GOV/PUBLIC/_CACHE/FILES/F/7/F75368AC-6605-4244-8663-E8C45AF9722B/E8C036A066710A2051CF027770BE1B235F3FCABB21D16C4F69FFA05E58AA58.2.21.25-TCTAC-TERMINATION-NOTICE.PDF](https://www.epw.senate.gov/public/_cache/files/f/7/f75368ac-6605-4244-8663-e8c45af9722b/e8c036a066710a2051cf027770be1b235f3fcabb21d16c4f69ffa05e58aa58.2.21.25-tctac-termination-notice.pdf)) and **HERE** ([HTTPS://WWW.EPW.SENATE.GOV/PUBLIC/_CACHE/FILES/A/2/A2B87662-9FE9-4602-B5BF-AC4F3F23692A/E8C036A066710A2051CF027770BE1B235F3FCABB21D16C4F69FFA05E58AA58.2.21.25-TCTAC-TERMINATION-NOTICE-2.PDF](https://www.epw.senate.gov/public/_cache/files/a/2/a2b87662-9fe9-4602-b5bf-ac4f3f23692a/e8c036a066710a2051cf027770be1b235f3fcabb21d16c4f69ffa05e58aa58.2.21.25-tctac-termination-notice-2.pdf)).

Whistleblower Tipline

If you were affected by these grant terminations or would like to contact the Ranking Member to make a protected disclosure of information, please email **DEM_WHISTLEBLOWERS@EPW.SENATE.GOV** (**[MAILTO:DEM_WHISTLEBLOWERS@EPW.SENATE.GOV](mailto:DEM_WHISTLEBLOWERS@EPW.SENATE.GOV)**). The right to share information is protected by the First Amendment of the United States Constitution and applicable laws.

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Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

April 21, 2025

The Honorable Lee M. Zeldin
Administrator
Environmental Protection Agency
1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20460

RE: Contra Costa County, California Community Change Grant (FAIN: 97T32001)

Dear Administrator Zeldin:

We write concerning the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) apparent cancellation of the \$19.1 million Community Change Grant awarded to Contra Costa County for its North Richmond Community Resilience Initiative. We believe this termination blatantly violates federal appropriations law, recent federal court injunctions, and EPA's contract with Contra Costa County. In addition, by failing to provide a written notice of termination to Contra Costa County detailing the reasons for termination, EPA has flouted the Code of Federal Regulations. We expect that you will immediately rescind the grant termination and conduct a comprehensive investigation into the lack of transparency in EPA's termination process.

The North Richmond Community Resilience Initiative is one of 105 selected applications for the Community Change Grants Program, funded through the *Inflation Reduction Act of 2022* (P.L.117-169). Through the *Inflation Reduction Act of 2022*, Congress issued a statutory mandate that the appropriated funds be distributed to communities with industrial facilities for the purpose of reducing air pollution. By terminating awarded Community Change Grant funding and failing to disburse these Congressionally appropriated funds, EPA is in clear violation of the *Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974* (P.L.93-344) and Congress's spending authority as outlined in Article 1 of the U.S. Constitution. In addition, multiple federal district courts have enjoined the Trump Administration, and specifically EPA, from canceling Congressionally appropriated funds. If EPA continues to proceed with the termination of federal funds, the Agency will be acting in contempt of court orders.

In addition to these violations of federal appropriations law and federal court injunctions, the cancellation of Contra Costa County's grant breaches EPA's own contract with Contra Costa County. An April 2, 2025, email from EPA's Office of Congressional Affairs to the Office of Congressman John Garamendi states, "The agency determined that this application no longer supports Administration priorities and the award has been cancelled. We have already conveyed this information to the grantee." Yet, Contra Costa County's grant agreement with EPA, signed on January 6th, 2025, does not include a clause allowing termination on the grounds of a change in administration priorities. The EPA General Terms and Conditions applicable to Contra Costa County's contract clearly state that termination can only occur:

- (a) If the recipient or subrecipient fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the award, including statutory or regulatory requirements;
- (b) With the consent of the recipient when both the recipient and the EPA agree upon the termination conditions, which include the effective date and, in the case of partial termination, the portion to be terminated;
- (c) If a recipient sends the EPA a written notification of the reasons for such termination, the effective date, and in the case of partial termination, the portion to be terminated;
- (d) Pursuant to the programmatic terms and conditions specified in the Federal award.

EPA's cited reasoning for cancelling Contra Costa County's grant does not align with any of the termination conditions outlined above. Thus, EPA is in breach of their contract with Contra Costa County.

Concerningly, Contra Costa County reports that the EPA did not provide them with a notice of termination for their grant prior to freezing their funding. This is a clear violation of the Code of Federal Regulations (2 CFR 200.341), which requires Federal agencies to provide grant recipients with a written notice of termination, including a detailed justification for the reasons for termination. The Administration has repeatedly stated it is the "most transparent administration in history," yet EPA failed to complete the most rudimentary notification of grant termination. EPA's lack of communication with Contra Costa County is deeply alarming and provides further evidence of a greater culture of deliberate obscurity by EPA.

North Richmond is an unincorporated area of Contra Costa County, situated along the Bay Area's "refinery corridor." This community faces extreme air pollution exposure due to refining and chemical plant activity, port operations, freight traffic, and various industry and on-road emissions. Without prompt action, North Richmond will continue experiencing significant public health risks and environmental degradation. The North Richmond Community Resilience Initiative was intended to address this rising threat by reducing public exposure to harmful pollutants, improving air quality, increasing energy efficiency, and advancing emergency preparedness. Now, with the status of \$19.1 million in federal funding for the Initiative in question, it is unclear whether there is a viable path forward for the Initiative.

Given the grave nature of these seemingly flagrant violations of federal appropriations law, federal court orders, and EPA's contract with Contra Costa County, we expect that EPA will fully and quickly reinstate Contra Costa County's Community Change Grant. In addition, we request your immediate attention regarding EPA's lack of transparency and communication with Contra Costa County. Thank you for your consideration, we await your timely response.

Sincerely,



John Garamendi
Member of Congress



Mark DeSaulnier
Member of Congress



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

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Staff Report

File #: 25-1647

Agenda Date: 4/30/2025

Agenda #: 4.

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE

Meeting Date: April 30, 2024

Subject: State Legislative Updates of Interest to Contra Costa County

Submitted For: Legislation Committee

Department: County Administrator's Office

Referral Name: Federal Update

Presenter: M. Rubalcava and G. Neill, Nielsen Merksamer

Contact: E. Struthers (925) 655-2045

Referral History:

The Legislation Committee regularly receives reports on the State Budget and bills of interest to the County and provides direction and/or input to staff and the County's state lobbyists.

Referral Update:

The California State Legislature broke for recess on April 10, and reconvened on Monday, April 21, 2025. A flurry of activity has been underway as the Legislature works to process bills through policy committees before the deadline on May 2. One bill of interest to the County, SB 16 (Blakespear) has been significantly amended to address the County's concerns, and staff recommends updating the County's position to "neutral" until further analysis can be performed. Other bill positions may need to be reviewed and revised as further amendments are made.

The state is also working on its FY25-26 budget, which is trending towards a deficit. May 14 is the deadline for the Governor's May Budget Revision. Already, increasing pressures from the L.A. Fires, rising costs of Medi-Cal, and other programs are putting strain on the budget. Other programs are currently underfunded or unfunded, such as the recently passed Proposition 36. Without funding to implement Prop. 36, these requirements fall to County governments to implement, effectively as an unfunded mandate. Combined with macroeconomic trends and federal funding uncertainties, the more budgetary issues lay ahead. Notably, September 12 is the adjournment date for this year's Legislative session. With the federal budget expiring on September 30, 2025, federal action on the budget is unlikely to occur before the Legislature adjourns. A special session may be necessary to address emerging budget issues resulting from the federal budget/appropriations process.

The County's state advocates will provide an update on legislative and budgetary matters of interest.

Recommendation(s)/Next Step(s):

RECEIVE the report and provide direction and/or input to County staff and the County's state advocates, as needed.

Fiscal Impact (if any):

None.

News from Sacramento – April 25, 2025

From Geoff Neill and Michelle Rubalcava, Nielsen Merksamer

Bills, Bills, Bills

The Legislature has returned from spring recess and face deadlines to pass their bills through policy committee by either May 2 (fiscal bills) or May 9 (non-fiscal bills). Some bills of interest scheduled for hearing next week:

Senate Public Safety Committee

- [SB 303 \(Smallwood-Cuevas\)](#) would prevent information pertaining to a public employee's bias that was obtained through bias mitigation training from being shared or discussed, or from being used in a civil proceeding.
- [SB 691 \(Wahab\)](#) would require body-worn camera policies to be updated to provide guidance about temporarily limiting the recording of medical or psychological evaluations or treatment.

Senate Judiciary Committee

- [SB 820 \(Stern\)](#) would authorize a psychiatrist to administer psychiatric medication without informed consent to misdemeanor defendants who have been found incompetent to stand trial for up to a year when immediately necessary to preserve life or prevent serious bodily harm, or upon a court's determination that the defendant does not have the capacity to refuse treatment and is gravely disabled.
- [SB 448 \(Umberg\)](#) would establish a new process for the removal of squatters from private property.

Senate Local Government Committee

- [SB 299 \(Cabaldon\)](#) would streamline the process for passing local ordinances.
- [SB 79 \(Wiener\)](#) would allow by-right development up to 75 feet high near high-frequency transit stops.
- [SB 828 \(Cabaldon\)](#) would allow surplus land to be used for economic development purposes.

Assembly Emergency Management Committee

- [AB 591 \(Caloza\)](#) would include public works personnel, equipment, and materials in mutual aid efforts during emergencies.

- [AB 645 \(Carrillo\)](#) would require public safety dispatchers to complete training designed according to standards developed by the Commission on Emergency Medical Services.

Assembly Natural Resources Committee

- [AB 52 \(Aguiar-Curry\)](#) would make changes to the tribal consultation process, extending the consultation throughout a project instead of early in the CEQA process, potentially increasing litigation.
- [AB 527 \(Papan\)](#) would exempt geothermal exploratory projects that meet certain criteria from CEQA.

Assembly Communications and Conveyance Committee

- [AB 470 \(McKinnor\)](#) would allow legacy telephone carriers to abandon their carrier of last resort obligations.

Assembly Elections Committee

- [AB 868 \(Carrillo\)](#) would ensure that all county offices appear on the November ballot.

Assembly Local Government Committee

- [AB 648 \(Zbur\)](#) would exempt the construction of faculty and staff housing projects, student housing projects, and university housing development projects from local zoning regulations when constructed on property owned or leased by a community college district.
- [AB 1108 \(Hart\)](#) would require a sheriff-coroner to contract with an outside medical examiner to perform autopsies for in-custody deaths.
- [AB 1294 \(Haney\)](#) would require cities and counties to accept a standardized housing entitlement application developed by HCD without requiring any other documentation or approvals.

Fourth Largest Economy

As was widely reported, California is now the fourth largest economy in the world, surpassing Japan, based on new estimates from the International Monetary Fund. California's \$4.1 trillion GDP is behind only the United States as a whole (\$29.2 trillion), China (\$18.8 trillion), and Germany (\$4.7 trillion).

Less widely reported is the fact that, on a per capita basis, California's economy far exceeds all of those countries, behind only tiny Luxembourg (\$138,634), tax-haven Ireland (\$106,456), and Switzerland (\$104,523). However, three other states have a per capita GDP higher than California's: New York (\$115,619), Massachusetts (\$109,396), and Washington (\$107,397). California's per capita GDP is \$104,058.

News from Sacramento – April 11, 2025

From Geoff Neill and Michelle Rubalcava, Nielsen Merksamer

Bills, Bills, Bills

The Legislature is on spring recess, returning April 21 for a wild three weeks of policy committee hearings. Many bills listed below of possible interest. Please also review bills featured on previous Fridays.

Government Operations

[AB 1337 \(Ward\)](#) would impose enormous new requirements on local agencies in how they handle personal information by including them in the state's Information Practices Act. Among other things, the bill would prohibit sharing anyone's name, address, photo, or any other information about them without their explicit permission, including pursuant to a search warrant or when required to investigate unlawful activity. The implications of this policy are far-reaching and local agencies should review it with their departments and counsel. If you would like to considering opposing AB 1337 or if you want more information, please let us know.

[AB 1331 \(Elhawary\)](#) has been expanded to include public employers. It would prohibit use of workplace surveillance tools in many instances, using a very broad definition of the term that could interfere with commonplace tools like security cameras and access cards.

[AB 1383 \(McKinnor\)](#) will be amended soon to unwind important parts of PEPR, including reducing the public safety retirement age and making the normal cost bargainable, instead of split evenly between employers and employees.

[SB 496 \(Hurtado\)](#) would expand the "emergency vehicle" exemption from the Advanced Clean Fleets requirements and create an appeal process review denied requests for exemptions. ([Sample support letter](#))

[SB 707 \(Durazo\)](#) would add several requirements to Brown Act meetings, redefine "legislative body", and expand the definition of what constitutes a meeting. Substantial amendments add several new requirements.

[AB 868 \(Carrillo\)](#) would, for non-charter counties, would ensure county elections would appear on the November ballot by either placing the top two vote-getters in the primary on the general election ballot or, if only two candidates file, holding the election between them on the November ballot.

[AB 1108 \(Hart\)](#) would prohibit a sheriff-coroner from conducting the autopsy or determining the cause of death in cases of any in-custody death.

[SB 485 \(Reyes\)](#) would prohibit a board of supervisors from removing an appointed public defender during their term only for neglect of duty, malfeasance or misconduct in office, or other good cause.

Homelessness, Housing, and Development

AB 98 cleanup: [AB 735 \(Carrillo\)](#) and [SB 415 \(Reyes\)](#). If you have specific concerns related to AB 98 and would like to discuss them, please reach out.

[AB 650 \(Papan\)](#) would allow local agencies to start their housing element updates six months earlier and reduce ambiguity in the housing element review process. ([Sample support letter](#))

[AB 1007 \(Rubio\)](#) would reduce the shot clock for approving residential development projects from 90 days to 45 days.

[AB 1153 \(Bonta\)](#) would authorize grants to abate illegal disposal sites, disposing of RVs, and other illegal dumping activities. The bill is accompanied by a budget request of \$15 million over five years.

[AB 1294 \(Haney\)](#) would require HCD to adopt a standardized application form for housing entitlements and require local agencies to accept them without adding any other forms.

[SB 315 \(Grayson\)](#) would impose new limits on Quimby fees.

Amendments Requested

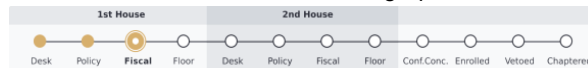
SB 72 (Caballero, D) The California Water Plan: long-term supply targets.

Current Text: 04/10/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 01/15/2025

Last Amended: 04/10/2025

Status: 04/17/2025 - Set for hearing April 28.



Location: 04/08/2025 - Senate Appropriations

Summary: Current law requires the Department of Water Resources to update every 5 years the plan for the orderly and coordinated control, protection, conservation, development, and use of the water resources of the state, which is known as "The California Water Plan." Current law requires the department to include a discussion of various strategies in the plan update, including, but not limited to, strategies relating to the development of new water storage facilities, water conservation, water recycling, desalination, conjunctive use, and water transfers, that may be pursued in order to meet the future needs of the state. Current law requires the department to establish an advisory committee to assist the department in updating the plan. This bill would revise and recast certain provisions regarding The California Water Plan to, among other things, require the department to expand the membership of the advisory committee to include, among others, tribes, labor, and environmental justice interests. The bill would require the department, as part of the 2033 update to the plan, to update the interim planning target for 2050, as provided. The bill would require the target to consider the identified and future water needs for all beneficial uses, including, but not limited to, urban uses, agricultural uses, tribal uses, and the environment, and ensure safe drinking water for all Californians, among other things. The bill would require the plan to include specified components, including a discussion of the estimated costs, benefits, and impacts of any project type or action that is recommended by the department within the plan that could help achieve the water supply targets. (Based on 04/10/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/08/25 - **SEN. N.R. & W.** (Y:6 N:0 A:1) (P)

Position: Amendments Requested

MAJOR AMENDMENTS - Recommended Position: Watch / Neutral

SB 16 (Blakespear, D) Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention program: housing element: unsheltered and chronic homelessness: assessment and financing plan.

Current Text: 04/24/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 12/02/2024 (Spot bill)

Last Amended: 04/24/2025

Status: 04/24/2025 - Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on HEALTH.



Location: 04/02/2025 - Senate Health

Summary: The Planning and Zoning Law requires a housing element to consist of an identification and analysis of existing and projected housing needs and a statement of goals, policies, quantified objectives, financial resources, and scheduled programs for the preservation, improvement, and development of housing. Current law requires the housing element to include, among other things, an assessment of housing needs and an inventory of resources and constraints that are relevant to meeting these needs. Current law establishes the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention program (HHAP) for the purpose of providing jurisdictions with grant funds to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address their immediate homelessness challenges, as specified.(3)The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities. (Based on 04/24/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:04/22/25 - **SEN. HOUSING** (Y:10 N:0 A:1) (P)**Position:** MAJOR AMENDMENTS - Recommended Position: Watch / Neutral**Oppose****AB 306** (**Schultz, D**) **Building regulations: state building standards.****Current Text:** 03/12/2025 - Amended **HTML** **PDF****Introduced:** 01/23/2025**Last Amended:** 03/12/2025**Status:** 04/23/2025 - Re-referred to Coms. on HOUSING and L. GOV.**Location:** 04/23/2025 - Senate Housing

Summary: Current law establishes the Department of Housing and Community Development (department) in the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency. The California Building Standards Law establishes the California Building Standards Commission (commission) within the Department of General Services. Current law requires the commission to approve and adopt building standards and to codify those standards in the California Building Standards Code (code). The State Housing Law establishes statewide construction and occupancy standards for buildings used for human habitation. Current law requires, among other things, the building standards adopted and submitted by the department for approval by the commission, as specified, to be adopted by reference, with certain exceptions. Current law authorizes any city or county to make changes in those building standards that are published in the code, including to green building standards. Current law requires the governing body of a city or county, before making modifications or changes to those green building standards, to make an express finding that those modifications or changes are reasonably necessary because of local climatic, geological, or topographical conditions. This bill would, from June 1, 2025, until June 1, 2031, inclusive, prohibit a city or county from making changes that are applicable to residential units to the above-described building standards unless a certain condition is met, including that the commission deems those changes or modifications necessary as emergency standards to protect health and safety. (Based on 03/12/2025 text)

Is Urgency: Y**Is Fiscal:** Y**Votes:**03/12/25 - **ASM. H. & C.D.** (Y:12 N:0 A:0) (P)03/19/25 - **ASM. APPR.** (Y:14 N:0 A:1) (P)04/01/25 - **ASM. THIRD READING** (Y:71 N:0 A:9) (P)**Position:** Oppose**AB 339** (**Ortega, D**) **Local public employee organizations: notice requirements.****Current Text:** 01/28/2025 - Introduced **HTML** **PDF****Introduced:** 01/28/2025**Status:** 04/09/2025 - In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.**Location:** 04/09/2025 - Assembly APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: The Meyers-Milias-Brown Act contains various provisions that govern collective bargaining of local represented employees and delegates jurisdiction to the Public Employment Relations Board to resolve disputes and enforce the statutory duties and rights of local public agency employers and employees. Current law requires the governing body of a public agency to meet and confer in good faith regarding wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment with representatives of recognized employee organizations. Current law requires the governing body of a public agency, and boards and commissions designated by law or by the governing body, to give reasonable written notice, except in cases of emergency, as specified, to each recognized employee organization affected of any ordinance, rule, resolution, or regulation directly relating to matters within the scope of representation proposed to be adopted by the governing body or the designated boards and commissions. This bill would require the governing body of a public agency, and boards and commissions designated by law or by the governing body of a public agency, to give the recognized employee organization no less than 120 days' written notice before issuing a request for proposals, request for quotes, or renewing or extending an existing contract to perform services that are within the scope of work of the job classifications represented by the recognized employee organization. The bill

would require the notice to include specified information, including the anticipated duration of the contract. (Based on 01/28/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

03/19/25 - **ASM. P.E. & R.** (Y:4 N:0 A:3) (P)

Position: Oppose

AB 470 **(McKinnor, D) Telephone corporations: carriers of last resort.**

Current Text: 04/22/2025 - Amended **HTML PDF**

Introduced: 02/06/2025 (Spot bill)

Last Amended: 04/22/2025

Status: 04/23/2025 - Re-referred to Com. on C. & C.



Location: 03/17/2025 - Assembly Communications and Conveyance

Summary: Current law vests the Public Utilities Commission with regulatory authority over public utilities, including telephone corporations. Current law authorizes the commission to fix just and reasonable rates and charges for public utilities. Current law requires the commission, on or before February 1, 1995, to issue an order initiating an investigation and open proceeding to examine the current and future definitions of universal service in telecommunications. Pursuant to that provision, the commission issued a decision involving carriers of last resort, including the withdrawal process for carriers of last resort, defined as a carrier who provides local exchange service and stands ready to provide basic service to any customer requesting such service within a specified area. This bill would provide procedures for telephone corporations to terminate their carrier of last resort obligations in areas where the United States Census Bureau reports no population, in areas where telephone corporations provide no basic exchange service to any customer address located within their telephone service territory, and in areas that are well-served, as defined. The bill would require telephone corporations to fulfill specified conditions and meet certain notice requirements to be relieved of the carrier of last resort obligations. The bill would impose additional duties on telephone corporations terminating their carrier of last resort obligations, including, among other things, publishing a notice which would specify a residential consumer's authority to submit a written request seeking independent third-party review of the assertion that an area has no population or no basic exchange service customers or that a consumer in an area is well-served, as applicable. The bill would require the commission, on or before January 1, 2027, to determine a transition plan to be followed before a telephone corporation amends its status as a carrier of last resort in areas other than those subject to amended status under the bill. The bill would create the Public Safety Agency Technology Upgrade Grant Fund, provide that moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the commission for purposes of public safety agency technology upgrade grants, and authorize the fund to accept donations from nongovernmental entities. (Based on 04/22/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Position: Oppose

AB 933 **(Ávila Farías, D) Organized residential camps: organized day camps.**

Current Text: 02/19/2025 - Introduced **HTML PDF**

Introduced: 02/19/2025

Status: 03/10/2025 - Referred to Coms. on HEALTH and E.M.



Location: 03/10/2025 - Assembly Health

Summary: Current law requires the State Public Health Officer to establish rules and regulations establishing minimum standards for organized camps, and regulations governing the operation of organized camps that they determine are necessary to protect the health and safety of the campers. Current law requires the State Fire Marshal to adopt minimum fire safety regulations for organized camps in accordance with specified law. Existing law establishes specified standards for the operation, regulation, and enforcement of organized camps. Current law adopts certain definitions for the purposes of these provisions, including a definition for "organized camp" and "camper." Current law prohibits an organized camp from operating unless the minimum standards for organized camps prescribed in the building standards published in the State Building Standards Code relating to organized camps, and in other rules and regulations adopted by the Director of Public Health

and the State Fire Marshal, are satisfied. Current law makes a violation of these provisions a misdemeanor. This bill would rename “organized camp” to “organized residential camp” and make conforming changes. The bill would define “organized day camp” to mean a site where the primary purpose is to provide a group experience with social, spiritual, educational, or recreational objectives, that has programs and facilities attended by 5 or more children 3 to 17 years of age, inclusive, and that operates for more than 3 hours per day for at least 5 days during any 12-month period. The bill would define “living experience” to mean an overnight camp for 5 days or more. (Based on 02/19/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Position: Oppose

AB 946 (**Bryan, D**) Chief probation officer: designee.

Current Text: 02/20/2025 - Introduced [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/20/2025

Status: 04/22/2025 - In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.



Location: 03/10/2025 - Assembly Public Safety

Summary: Current law requires every county to appoint a chief probation officer, and requires the chief probation officer to be nominated, as specified. Current law requires the chief probation officer to perform the duties and discharge the obligations imposed on the office by law or by order of the superior court, including, among other things, the operation of juvenile halls pursuant to specified provisions. This bill would create an exception to those provisions by requiring, in a county with a population of at least 3,500,000 people, the chief probation officer, or a designee who is appointed by the county board of supervisors and who has jurisdiction over youth development, to perform those duties and discharge those obligations. (Based on 02/20/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: N

Position: Oppose

Oppose Unless Amended

SB 606 (**Becker, D**) Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention program: reporting requirements: functional zero unsheltered.

Current Text: 04/23/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/20/2025

Last Amended: 04/23/2025

Status: 04/25/2025 - Set for hearing April 29.



Location: 04/21/2025 - Senate Housing

Summary: Existing law establishes the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention (HHAP) program for the purpose of providing jurisdictions with grant funds to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address their immediate homelessness challenges, as specified. This bill would enact the Functional Zero Unsheltered Act, which, beginning with round 6 of the HHAP program, would require an applicant to provide information relating to its efforts to address homelessness in its jurisdiction, including an assessment of what would be required for the applicant to achieve functional zero unsheltered, which the bill would define as sufficient housing options of all types to accommodate a jurisdiction's unsheltered, chronically homeless population based on its most recent homeless point-in-time count, and information regarding the applicant's implementation of local homeless housing incentives, as provided. The bill would require, as part of the assessment of progress toward functional zero unsheltered, applicants to include a financial model assessing the needs for investment in prescribed areas and further analysis of, among other things, funding programs that provide housing or services to persons experiencing homelessness. The bill would also require an applicant to demonstrate its efforts to include small cities, as defined, in its Regionally Coordinated Homeless Action Plan, as specified, and provide the most recent homeless point-in-time counts of small cities in the applicant's jurisdiction. (Based on 04/23/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:04/21/25 - **SEN. HUM. S.** (Y:5 N:0 A:0) (P)**Position:** Oppose Unless Amended**Support****AB 274** (**Ransom, D**) **Abandoned and derelict vessels: inventory.****Current Text:** 03/26/2025 - Amended **HTML** **PDF****Introduced:** 01/21/2025**Last Amended:** 03/26/2025**Status:** 04/09/2025 - In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.**Location:** 04/09/2025 - Assembly APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: Current law establishes within the Natural Resources Agency, the State Lands Commission consisting of the Controller, the Lieutenant Governor, and the Director of Finance. Current law vests in the commission with exclusive jurisdiction over all ungranted tidelands and submerged lands owned by the state, and of the beds of navigable rivers, streams, lakes, bays, estuaries, inlets, and straits, including tidelands and submerged lands. Current law authorizes the commission to take immediate action to remove from areas under its jurisdiction a vessel that is left unattended and is moored, docked, beached, or made fast to land in a position as to obstruct the normal movement of traffic or in a condition as to create a hazard to navigation, other vessels using a waterway, or the property of another. Current law requires the commission, by July 1, 2019, and in consultation with other relevant state and local agencies directly involved in the removal of abandoned vessels, to develop a plan for the removal of abandoned commercial vessels. This bill would require the commission, on or before January 1, 2027, to create an inventory of all abandoned and derelict commercial and recreational vessels on or in waters within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, including commercially navigable waters, as specified. (Based on 03/26/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N**Is Fiscal:** Y**Votes:**03/24/25 - **ASM. NAT. RES.** (Y:13 N:0 A:1) (P)**Position:** Support**AB 346** (**Nguyen, D**) **In-home supportive services: licensed health care professional certification.****Current Text:** 01/29/2025 - Introduced **HTML** **PDF****Introduced:** 01/29/2025**Status:** 02/18/2025 - Referred to Com. on HUM. S.**Location:** 02/18/2025 - Assembly Human Services

Summary: Current law provides for the county-administered In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program, under which qualified aged, blind, and disabled persons are provided with specified services in order to permit them to remain in their own homes and avoid institutionalization. Current law defines supportive services for purposes of the IHSS program to include those necessary paramedical services that are ordered by a licensed health care professional, which persons could provide for themselves, but for their functional limitations. Current law requires an applicant for, or recipient of, in-home supportive services, as a condition of receiving these services, to obtain a certification from a licensed health care professional declaring that the applicant or recipient is unable to perform some activities of daily living independently, and that without services to assist the applicant or recipient with activities of daily living, the applicant or recipient is at risk of placement in out-of-home care, and defines a licensed health care professional to mean an individual licensed in California by the appropriate California regulatory agency, acting within the scope of their license or certificate as defined in the Business and Professions Code. This bill would instead define "licensed health care professional" for those purposes to mean any person who engages in acts that are the subject of licensure or regulation under specified provisions of the Business and Professions Code or under any initiative act referred to in those specified provisions. (Based on 01/29/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N**Is Fiscal:** Y**Position:** Support

AB 871 (**Stefani, D**) **Mandated reporters of suspected financial abuse of an elder or dependent adult.**

Current Text: 02/19/2025 - Introduced [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/19/2025

Status: 03/28/2025 - Referred to Coms. on B.&F. and JUD.



Location: 03/28/2025 - Assembly Banking and Finance

Summary: The Elder Abuse and Dependent Adult Civil Protection Act establishes procedures for the reporting, investigation, and prosecution of elder and dependent adult abuse. Current law requires a mandated reporter of suspected financial abuse of an elder or dependent adult, as defined, to report financial abuse in a specified manner. Current law deems specified persons to be mandated reporters of suspected financial abuse of an elder or dependent adult, including, among others, all officers and employees of a financial institution. A mandated reporter who fails to report financial abuse of an elder or dependent adult is liable for civil penalties, as specified. This bill would require a financial institution to provide annual training to its mandated reporters on how to report suspected financial abuse of an elder or a dependent adult to both local and federal authorities, as specified. The bill would require a financial institution to share information on reporting mechanisms with clients immediately upon discovering potential financial abuse and would require the financial institution to encourage clients to submit complaints within 24 to 48 hours. (Based on 02/19/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: N

Position: Support

AB 896 (**Elhawary, D**) **Foster care: placement transition planning.**

Current Text: 03/17/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/19/2025

Last Amended: 03/17/2025

Status: 03/18/2025 - Re-referred to Com. on HUM. S.



Location: 03/17/2025 - Assembly Human Services

Summary: Current law requires, prior to making a change in the placement of a dependent child, a social worker or placing agency to develop and implement a placement preservation strategy to preserve the dependent child's placement. This bill would, among other things, require each county child welfare agency to adopt a placement transition planning policy for supporting foster children who are transitioning between placement settings and who are transitioning from foster care to reunification, and requires that the policy ensures that foster children are provided the opportunity to provide input on their placement transition and provides guidance to social workers for obtaining input and sharing information in placement transition planning. The bill would require, if a child's placement cannot be preserved, the social worker to ensure that there is appropriate placement transition planning, consistent with the county's adopted policy. The bill would require the State Department of Social Services to issue guidance to county child welfare agencies to describe best practices and strategies for successful placement transition planning, and would require county child welfare agencies to submit to the department its placement transition planning policy, as specified. (Based on 03/17/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Position: Support

AB 898 (**Bryan, D**) **The Family Urgent Response System.**

Current Text: 02/19/2025 - Introduced [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/19/2025

Status: 04/24/2025 - Read second time. Ordered to Consent Calendar.



Location: 04/23/2025 - Assembly CONSENT CALENDAR

Summary: Current law requires the State Department of Social Services to establish a statewide hotline as the entry point for the Family Urgent Response System, as defined, to respond to calls from caregivers or current or former foster children or youth during moments of instability, as specified. Current law requires the hotline to include, among other things, referrals to a county-based mobile response system, as specified, for further support and in-person response. Current law requires the department to collect deidentified, aggregated data, including the number of current and former foster children or youth served through the statewide hotline and the disposition of each call, and requires the department to publish a report on its internet website, as specified. This bill would instead specify that the statewide hotline shall be the primary entry point for the Family Urgent Response System. (Based on 02/19/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

03/25/25 - **ASM. HUM. S.** (Y:7 N:0 A:0) (P)

04/23/25 - **ASM. APPR.** (Y:15 N:0 A:0) (P)

Position: Support

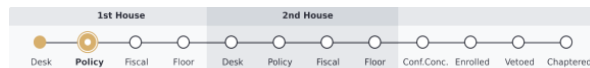
AB 970 (**McKinnor, D**) Child abuse and neglect reporting.

Current Text: 04/22/2025 - Amended **HTML PDF**

Introduced: 02/20/2025

Last Amended: 04/22/2025

Status: 04/23/2025 - Re-referred to Com. on PUB. S.



Location: 04/08/2025 - Assembly Public Safety

Summary: The Child Abuse and Neglect Reporting Act establishes procedures for the reporting and investigation of suspected child abuse or neglect. The act requires certain professionals, including specified health practitioners and social workers, known as “mandated reporters,” to report by telephone known or reasonably suspected child abuse or neglect to a local law enforcement agency or a county welfare or probation department, as specified. Current law authorizes a county welfare agency to develop a program for internet-based reporting of child abuse and neglect, as specified. Current law authorizes a mandated reporter in a county where the program is active to use the internet-based reporting tool in lieu of the required initial telephone report. This bill would authorize the County of Los Angeles to establish a 2-year pilot program to test a new model for the mandatory reporting of child abuse or neglect. The bill would require the pilot program to include a comprehensive County of Los Angeles mandated reporter training that may be made available to all mandated reporters in the county. The bill would require the pilot program to also include the development and deployment of an internet-based decision-support tool, developed through a collaborative process with, among others, the State Department of Social Services, for mandated reporters who have completed that training. The bill would require the decision-support tool to, among other things, make a recommendation on whether or not to report and would prohibit the decision-support tool from using predictive analysis. The bill would, during the time the pilot program is in effect, deem a mandated reporter to have satisfied their reporting duties if the reporter completed the training, used the decision-support tool, and complied with the recommended action. (Based on 04/22/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/08/25 - **ASM. HUM. S.** (Y:6 N:0 A:0) (P)

Position: Support

AB 1288 (**Addis, D**) Registered environmental health specialists.

Current Text: 04/10/2025 - Amended **HTML PDF**

Introduced: 02/21/2025

Last Amended: 04/10/2025

Status: 04/23/2025 - From committee: Do pass and re-fer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (April 22). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.



Location: 04/23/2025 - Assembly Appropriations

Summary: Current law provides for the certification of registered environmental health specialists by the State Department of Public Health and establishes application, examination, and renewal fees for this certification. Current law prescribes educational requirements for the registration of an environmental health specialist and requires all basic science coursework to be equal to what is acceptable in an approved environmental health degree program. Current law provides that only a person who meets those educational and experience requirements is eligible for admission to the environmental health specialist examination. Current law prohibits an applicant who fails to pass the written examination twice from taking the examination additional times unless specified time periods have elapsed. Current law prohibits a person from taking the examination more than once in a 2-year period. Current law requires the department to maintain a current registry of all registered environmental health specialists and environmental health specialist trainees in the state. Current law defines the scope of practice for a registered environmental health professional to include, but not be limited to, the prevention of environmental health hazards and the promotion and protection of the public health and the environment in specified areas, including, among others, food protection, housing, and hazardous materials management. Current law authorizes a local health department to employ a registered environmental health specialist to enforce public health laws, as specified. Current law authorizes an environmental health specialist trainee to work under the supervision of a registered environmental health specialist for a period not to exceed 3 years. Current law defines "environmental health specialist trainee" as a person who possesses a bachelor's degree, as specified, and who is engaged in an approved environmental health training plan. Current law requires an environmental health training plan to include specified elements. This bill would instead prohibit an applicant from being reexamined for 90 days after failing to pass the written examination. The bill would revise the educational requirements for the registration of an environmental health specialist, as specified, and would delete the requirement that basic science coursework be equal to what is acceptable in an approved environmental health degree program. This bill would extend the period of required supervision to instead not exceed 5 years. The bill would include body art and medical waste in the scope of practice of registered environmental health specialists and would revise the environmental health training plan elements, as specified. (Based on 04/10/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/22/25 - **ASM. HEALTH** (Y:16 N:0 A:0) (P)

Position: Support

SB 227 Costa.

(Grayson, D) Green Empowerment Zone for the Northern Waterfront area of the County of Contra

Current Text: 04/09/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 01/28/2025

Last Amended: 04/09/2025

Status: 04/09/2025 - Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on L. GOV.



Location: 04/07/2025 - Senate Local Government

Summary: Current law, until January 1, 2028, authorizes the establishment of a Green Empowerment Zone for the Northern Waterfront area of the County of Contra Costa for the purpose of building upon the comparative advantage provided by the regional concentration of highly skilled energy industry workers by prioritizing access to tax incentives, grants, and loan programs, among other incentives. Current law authorizes the Green Empowerment Zone to be composed of 9 specified cities and the County of Contra Costa, upon adoption of a resolution by the city or county, and provides for the Green Empowerment Zone to be governed by a board of directors comprised of representatives from 7 stakeholder groups, as specified. Current law requires the board to appoint a steering committee, and required the steering committee, on or before January 1, 2023, to develop metrics to be reported to the Legislature and state departments and agencies to gauge the progress of the Green Empowerment Zone, as specified. Current law requires the Green Empowerment Zone to annually post information on those metrics on its internet website, as specified. This bill would extend the authorization for the Green Empowerment Zone to January 1, 2040, and would authorize the expansion of the Green Empowerment Zone to include 4 additional cities, including the Cities of El Cerrito, Pinole, Richmond, and San Pablo, upon adoption of a resolution by each city. The bill would make changes to the stakeholder groups who serve on the board of directors, including increasing the number of stakeholder groups to 8 by adding a category for 7 directors who live or work in the Green Empowerment Zone and who represent environmental or environmental justice organizations or interests. (Based on 04/09/2025 text)

Is Urgency: Y

Is Fiscal: N

Votes:04/07/25 - **SEN. B., P. & E.D.** (Y:10 N:0 A:1) (P)**Position:** Support**SB 239****(Arreguín, D)** Open meetings: teleconferencing: subsidiary body.**Current Text:** 04/07/2025 - Amended **HTML PDF****Introduced:** 01/30/2025**Last Amended:** 04/07/2025**Status:** 04/08/2025 - Set for hearing May 6.**Location:** 04/03/2025 - Senate Judiciary

Summary: The Ralph M. Brown Act requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body, as defined, of a local agency be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate. The act generally requires for teleconferencing that the legislative body of a local agency that elects to use teleconferencing post agendas at all teleconference locations, identify each teleconference location in the notice and agenda of the meeting or proceeding, and have each teleconference location be accessible to the public. Current law also requires that, during the teleconference, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction, except as specified. Current law, until January 1, 2026, authorizes specified neighborhood city councils to use alternate teleconferencing provisions related to notice, agenda, and public participation, as prescribed, if, among other requirements, the city council has adopted an authorizing resolution and 2/3 of the neighborhood city council votes to use alternate teleconference provisions, as specified. This bill would authorize a subsidiary body, as defined, to use alternative teleconferencing provisions and would impose requirements for notice, agenda, and public participation, as prescribed. The bill would require the subsidiary body to post the agenda at each physical meeting location designated by the subsidiary body, as specified. The bill would require the members of the subsidiary body to visibly appear on camera during the open portion of a meeting that is publicly accessible via the internet or other online platform, as specified. (Based on 04/07/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N**Is Fiscal:** N**Votes:**04/02/25 - **SEN. L. GOV.** (Y:5 N:2 A:0) (P)**Position:** Support**Watch****AB 252****(Bains, D)** Wildfire protection: Department of Forestry and Fire Protection: staffing.**Current Text:** 03/24/2025 - Amended **HTML PDF****Introduced:** 01/15/2025 (Spot bill)**Last Amended:** 03/24/2025**Status:** 04/23/2025 - In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.**Location:** 04/23/2025 - Assembly APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: Current law establishes the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection in the Natural Resources Agency. Current law requires the department to be responsible for specified activities, including maintaining an integrated staff to accomplish fire protection, fire prevention, pest control, and forest and range protection and enhancement activities, as needed. This bill would require the department to reach full staffing levels, as defined, on or before January 1, 2028, and to maintain full staffing levels throughout the calendar year at all fire stations and facilities under its jurisdiction. The bill would require the department to implement staffing requirements on a schedule, as specified. The bill would require the department to report annually to the Legislature on, among other things, progress toward implementation of year-round staffing requirements. (Based on 03/24/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N**Is Fiscal:** Y**Votes:**04/07/25 - **ASM. NAT. RES.** (Y:14 N:0 A:0) (P)

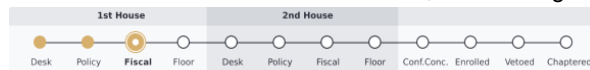
Position: Watch

AB 283 **(Haney, D) In-Home Supportive Services Employer-Employee Relations Act.**

Current Text: 01/22/2025 - Introduced [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 01/22/2025

Status: 04/23/2025 - In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.



Location: 04/23/2025 - Assembly APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: Current law establishes the In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS) program, which is administered by the State Department of Social Services, counties, and other entities, under which qualified aged, blind, or disabled persons are provided with supportive services in order to permit them to remain in their own homes. Current law authorizes a county board of supervisors to elect to contract with a nonprofit consortium to provide for the delivery of in-home supportive services or to establish, by ordinance, a public authority to provide for the delivery of those services, in accordance with certain procedures. Current law deems a public authority created under these provisions to be the employer of in-home supportive services personnel under the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act, which governs labor relations between local public employers and employees. Existing law also deems a nonprofit consortium contracting with a county to be the employer of in-home supportive services personnel for purposes of collective bargaining over wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment. Current law grants recipients of in-home supportive services the right to hire, fire, and supervise the work of any in-home supportive services personnel providing services for them. Current law prohibits the state and specified local public employers from deterring or discouraging public employees from becoming or remaining members of an employee organization. Current law also requires specified public employers to provide exclusive employee representatives access to new employee orientations. Current law generally grants the Public Employment Relations Board jurisdiction over violations of these provisions. Current law defines "public employers" who are subject to these provisions as including, among others, public agencies, cities, counties, and districts. This bill would expand the definition of "public employer," for purposes of those provisions, to include an employer who is subject to the In-Home Supportive Services Employer-Employee Relations Act, which the bill would create. The bill would establish a method for resolving disputes regarding wages, benefits, and other terms and conditions of employment between the state and recognized employee organizations representing individual providers. (Based on 01/22/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

03/19/25 - **ASM. P.E. & R.** (Y:7 N:0 A:0) (P)

Position: Watch

AB 340 **(Ahrens, D) Employer-employee relations: confidential communications.**

Current Text: 03/05/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 01/28/2025

Last Amended: 03/05/2025

Status: 04/23/2025 - In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.



Location: 04/23/2025 - Assembly APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: Current law that governs the labor relations of public employees and employers, including, among others, the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act, the Ralph C. Dills Act, provisions relating to public schools, and provisions relating to higher education, prohibits employers from taking certain actions relating to employee organization, including imposing or threatening to impose reprisals on employees, discriminating or threatening to discriminate against employees, or otherwise interfering with, restraining, or coercing employees because of their exercise of their guaranteed rights. Those provisions of current law further prohibit denying to employee organizations the rights guaranteed to them by current law. This bill would prohibit a public employer from questioning a public employee, a representative of a recognized employee organization, or an exclusive representative regarding communications made in confidence between an employee and an employee representative in connection with representation relating to any matter within the scope of the recognized employee organization's representation. (Based on 03/05/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:03/19/25 - **ASM. P.E. & R.** (Y:6 N:0 A:1) (P)**Position:** Watch**AB 370** (**Carrillo, D**) California Public Records Act: cyberattacks.**Current Text:** 03/12/2025 - Amended **HTML PDF****Introduced:** 02/03/2025**Last Amended:** 03/12/2025**Status:** 04/24/2025 - Read third time. Passed. Ordered to the Senate. (Ayes 75. Noes 0.) In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.**Location:** 04/24/2025 - Senate Rules

Summary: The California Public Records Act requires state and local agencies to make their records available for public inspection, except as specified. Current law requires each agency, within 10 days of a request for a copy of records, to determine whether the request seeks copies of disclosable public records in possession of the agency and to promptly notify the person of the determination and the reasons therefor. Current law authorizes that time limit to be extended by no more than 14 days under unusual circumstances, and defines “unusual circumstances” to include, among other things, the need to search for, collect, and appropriately examine records during a state of emergency when the state of emergency currently affects the agency’s ability to timely respond to requests due to staffing shortages or closure of facilities, as provided. This bill would also expand the definition of unusual circumstances to include the inability of the agency, because of a cyberattack, to access its electronic servers or systems in order to search for and obtain a record that the agency believes is responsive to a request and is maintained on the servers or systems in an electronic format. (Based on 03/12/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N**Is Fiscal:** Y**Votes:**03/11/25 - **ASM. JUD.** (Y:12 N:0 A:0) (P)04/09/25 - **ASM. APPR.** (Y:14 N:0 A:1) (P)04/24/25 - **ASM. CONSENT CALENDAR** (Y:75 N:0 A:4) (P)**Position:** Watch**AB 404** (**Sanchez, R**) California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: prescribed fire, reforestation, habitat restoration, thinning, or fuel reduction projects.**Current Text:** 02/04/2025 - Introduced **HTML PDF****Introduced:** 02/04/2025**Status:** 03/24/2025 - In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.**Location:** 02/18/2025 - Assembly Natural Resources

Summary: The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. Current law, until January 1, 2028, except for the issuance of a permit or other permit approval, exempts from the requirements of CEQA prescribed fire, reforestation, habitat restoration, thinning, or fuel reduction projects, or related activities, undertaken, in whole or in part, on federal lands to reduce the risk of high-severity wildfire that have been reviewed under the federal National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 meeting certain requirements. Current law requires a lead agency, if it determines that a project qualifies for the above exemption and it determines to approve or carry out the project, to file a notice of exemption with the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation and with the county clerk in the county in which the project will be located and to post the notice of exemption on its internet website together with a description of where the documents analyzing the environmental impacts of the project under the federal act are available for review. Current law requires the lead agency, if it is not the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, to provide the notice of exemption and certain information to the department. This bill would extend the above exemption and requirements on the lead agency indefinitely. (Based on 02/04/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Position: Watch

AB 465 (**Zbur, D**) **Local public employees: memoranda of understanding.**

Current Text: 03/13/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/06/2025

Last Amended: 03/13/2025

Status: 04/23/2025 - In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.



Location: 04/23/2025 - Assembly APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: The Meyers-Milias-Brown Act authorizes local public employees, as defined, to form, join, and participate in the activities of employee organizations of their own choosing for the purpose of representation on matters of labor relations and defines various terms for these purposes. The act prohibits a public agency from, among other things, refusing or failing to meet and negotiate in good faith with a recognized employee organization. Current law states that the Legislature finds and declares that the duties and responsibilities of local agency employer representatives under the act are substantially similar to the duties and responsibilities required under existing collective bargaining enforcement procedures and therefore the costs incurred by the local agency employer representatives in performing those duties and responsibilities under that act are not reimbursable as state-mandated costs. This bill would require, on or after January 1, 2026, a memorandum of understanding between a public agency and a recognized employee organization to include specified provisions including, among other things, a provision providing for a system of progressive discipline that grants due process to an employee when they are disciplined, upon the request of the recognized employee organization. The bill would define “progressive discipline” and “due process” for this purpose. (Based on 03/13/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/02/25 - [ASM, P.E. & R.](#) (Y:5 N:0 A:2) (P)

Position: Watch

AB 514 (**Petrie-Norris, D**) **Water: emergency water supplies.**

Current Text: 04/03/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/10/2025

Last Amended: 04/03/2025

Status: 04/07/2025 - Re-referred to Com. on W. P., & W.



Location: 02/24/2025 - Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife

Summary: Would declare that it is the established policy of the state to encourage, but not mandate, the development of emergency water supplies by both local and regional water suppliers, as defined, and to support their use during times of drought or unplanned service or supply disruption, as provided. (Based on 04/03/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Position: Watch

AB 569 (**Stefani, D**) **California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013: exceptions: supplemental defined benefit plans.**

Current Text: 04/24/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/12/2025

Last Amended: 04/24/2025

Status: 04/24/2025 - Read second time and amended. Ordered returned to second reading.



Location: 04/24/2025 - Assembly SECOND READING

Summary: The California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA) on and after January 1, 2013, requires a public retirement system, as defined, to modify its plan or plans to comply with PEPRA, as specified. PEPRA prohibits a public employer from offering a defined benefit pension plan exceeding specified retirement formulas, requires new members of public retirement systems to contribute at least a specified amount of the normal cost, as defined, for their defined benefit plans, and prohibits an enhancement of a public employee's retirement formula or benefit adopted after January 1, 2013, from applying to service performed prior to the operative date of the enhancement. PEPRA prohibits a public employer from offering a supplemental defined benefit plan if the public employer did not do so before January 1, 2013, or, if it did, from offering that plan to an additional employee group after that date. This bill would authorize a public employer, as defined, to bargain over contributions for supplemental retirement benefits administered by, or on behalf of, an exclusive bargaining representative of one or more of the public employer's bargaining units, subject to the limitations specified above. (Based on 04/24/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: N

Votes:

04/23/25 - **ASM. P.E. & R.** (Y:7 N:0 A:0) (P)

Position: Watch

AB 874

(Ávila Farías, D) Mitigation Fee Act: waiver of fees: affordable rental housing.

Current Text: 02/19/2025 - Introduced [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/19/2025

Status: 03/10/2025 - Referred to Coms. on L. GOV. and H. & C.D.



Location: 03/10/2025 - Assembly Local Government

Summary: The Mitigation Fee Act imposes certain requirements on a local agency that imposes a fee as a condition of approval of a development project that is imposed to provide for an improvement to be constructed to serve the development project, or a fee for public improvements, as specified. The act also regulates fees for development projects and fees for specific purposes, including water and sewer connection fees, among others. The act, among other things, requires local agencies to comply with various conditions when imposing fees, extractions, or charges as a condition of approval of a proposed development or development project. The act prohibits a local agency that imposes fees or charges on a residential development for the construction of public improvements or facilities from requiring the payment of those fees or charges until the date of the final inspection or the date the certificate of occupancy is issued, whichever occurs first, except for utility service fees, as provided. This bill would require a local agency to waive fees or charges that are collected by a local agency to fund the construction of public improvements or facilities for residential developments subject to a regulatory agreement with a public entity, as provided, that includes certain income and affordability requirements. (Based on 02/19/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Position: Watch

AB 1071

(Kalra, D) Criminal procedure: discrimination.

Current Text: 03/28/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/20/2025

Last Amended: 03/28/2025

Status: 04/24/2025 - Read second time. Ordered to third reading.



Location: 04/24/2025 - Assembly THIRD READING

Summary: Current law prohibits the state from seeking, obtaining, or imposing a criminal conviction or sentence on the basis of race, ethnicity, or national origin. Under current law, a defendant may pursue relief for a violation of this prohibition by filing a motion pursuant to the provisions that prohibit this conduct, a petition for a writ of habeas corpus, or a motion to vacate a conviction or sentence. This bill would recast and revise these procedures to pursue relief for a violation of the prohibition against the state seeking, obtaining, or imposing a criminal conviction or sentence on the basis of race, ethnicity, or national origin to specifically provide multiple procedures applicable to a defendant who has an action pending before the trial or appellate court, is currently incarcerated, or post-incarceration, as specified. (Based on 03/28/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: N

Votes:

04/22/25 - **ASM. PUB. S.** (Y:7 N:2 A:0) (P)

Position: Watch

AB 1198 (**Haney, D**) **Public works: prevailing wages.**

Current Text: 02/21/2025 - Introduced **HTML PDF**

Introduced: 02/21/2025

Status: 04/23/2025 - In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.



Location: 04/23/2025 - Assembly APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: Current law requires that, except as specified, not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages, determined by the Director of Industrial Relations, be paid to workers employed on public works projects. Current law requires the body awarding a contract for a public work to obtain from the director the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for work of a similar character in the locality in which the public work is to be performed, and the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for holiday and overtime work, for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed to execute the contract. Under current law, if the director determines during any quarterly period that there has been a change in any prevailing rate of per diem wages in a locality, the director is required to make that change available to the awarding body and their determination is final. Under current law, that determination does not apply to public works contracts for which the notice to bidders has been published. This bill would instead state, commencing July 1, 2026, that if the director determines, within a semiannual period, that there is a change in any prevailing rate of per diem wages in a locality, that determination applies to any public works contract that is awarded or for which notice to bidders is published after July 1, 2026. The bill would authorize any contractor, awarding body, or specified representative affected by a change in rates on a particular contract to, within 20 days, file with the director a verified petition to review the determination of that rate, as specified. (Based on 02/21/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/02/25 - **ASM. L. & E.** (Y:7 N:0 A:0) (P)

Position: Watch

AB 1403 (**Hart, D**) **Emergency services.**

Current Text: 03/24/2025 - Amended **HTML PDF**

Introduced: 02/21/2025

Last Amended: 03/24/2025

Status: 03/25/2025 - Re-referred to Com. on E.M.



Location: 03/24/2025 - Assembly Emergency Management

Summary: Existing law, the Emergency Medical Services System and the Prehospital Emergency Medical Care Personnel Act, governs local emergency medical services (EMS) systems, authorizes each county to develop an EMS program and designate a local EMS agency, and requires the Emergency Medical Services Authority to receive plans for the implementation of EMS systems from local EMS agencies, as specified. Existing law requires a county to enter into a written agreement with a city or fire district that contracted for or provided prehospital EMS as of June 1, 1980. Existing law requires, until that written agreement is reached, prehospital EMS to be continued at not less than the existing level and the administration of prehospital EMS by cities and fire districts contracting for or providing those services as of June 1, 1980, to be retained by those cities and fire districts, as specified. This bill would authorize a county board of supervisors or the governing body of an entity or a joint powers agency designated as the local EMS agency by the board of supervisors to provide ambulance services to persons located within the county's jurisdiction by specified means, including assigning the duty of providing ambulance services to residents of the county to an existing county department and providing the department with the necessary staffing, vehicles, and equipment to provide ambulance services. The bill would require a county board of supervisors or a local EMS agency to adopt a written policy, including specified requirements, for an emergency ambulance services provider in order to enter into a contract with a provider for emergency ambulance services and would include required

provisions for those contracts. The bill would make related findings and declarations. (Based on 03/24/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: N

Position: Watch

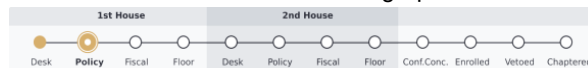
SB 30 (**Cortese, D**) **Diesel-powered on-track equipment: decommissioning: resale and transfer restrictions.**

Current Text: 03/26/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 12/02/2024 (Spot bill)

Last Amended: 03/26/2025

Status: 04/11/2025 - Set for hearing April 30.



Location: 04/09/2025 - Senate Environmental Quality

Summary: Would prohibit a public entity that owns diesel-powered on-track equipment from selling, donating, or otherwise transferring that equipment for continued use after the public entity decommissions the equipment. (Based on 03/26/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/08/25 - **SEN. TRANS.** (Y:11 N:3 A:1) (P)

Position: Watch

SB 78 (**Seyarto, R**) **Department of Transportation: report: state highway system: safety enhancements.**

Current Text: 04/02/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 01/15/2025

Last Amended: 04/02/2025

Status: 04/21/2025 - April 21 hearing: Placed on APPR. suspense file.



Location: 04/21/2025 - Senate APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: Would require the Department of Transportation to prepare a report to identify the types of safety enhancements that could be implemented on the state highway system, the common factors, if any, contributing to the delay in delivering those safety enhancements, and strategies to expedite safety enhancements on the state highway system. The bill would require the department to submit the report to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2027. (Based on 04/02/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/08/25 - **SEN. TRANS.** (Y:15 N:0 A:0) (P)

04/21/25 - **SEN. APPR.** (Y:6 N:0 A:1) (P)

Position: Watch

SB 252 (**Valladares, R**) **California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: undergrounding powerlines.**

Current Text: 02/03/2025 - Introduced [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/03/2025

Status: 03/25/2025 - April 2 set for second hearing canceled at the request of author.



Location: 02/14/2025 - Senate Environmental Quality

Summary: The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in

the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. This bill would exempt from the provisions of CEQA a project to underground powerlines. (Based on 02/03/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Position: Watch

SB 315

(Grayson, D) Quimby Act.

Current Text: 03/17/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/11/2025

Last Amended: 03/17/2025

Status: 04/22/2025 - April 30 set for second hearing canceled at the request of author.



Location: 03/26/2025 - Senate Local Government

Summary: The Quimby Act, which is within the Subdivision Map Act, authorizes the legislative body of a city or county to require the dedication of land or to impose fees for park or recreational purposes as a condition to the approval of a tentative map or parcel subdivision map if specified requirements are met. The act provides that the dedication of land, or the payment of fees, or both, shall not exceed the proportionate amount necessary to provide 3 acres of park area per 1,000 persons residing within a subdivision subject to the act, except as specified. This bill would additionally prohibit the proportion of the land to be dedicated, or the amount of any fee to be paid in lieu thereof, or both, from exceeding 25% of the total acreage of the subdivision, if the proposed subdivision is for infill housing. (Based on 03/17/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Position: Watch

SB 331

(Menjivar, D) Substance abuse.

Current Text: 04/10/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/12/2025

Last Amended: 04/10/2025

Status: 04/10/2025 - From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on JUD. (Ayes 8. Noes 0.) (April 9). Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on JUD.



Location: 04/10/2025 - Senate Judiciary

Summary: (1)Existing law, the Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Act, authorizes the involuntary commitment and treatment of persons with specified mental disorders. Under the act, when a person, as a result of a mental health disorder, is a danger to themselves or others, or is gravely disabled, the person may, upon probable cause, be taken into custody by specified individuals, including, among others, a peace officer and a designated member of a mobile crisis team, and placed in a facility designated by the county and approved by the State Department of Health Care Services for up to 72 hours for evaluation and treatment. For the purposes of these provisions, existing law defines "gravely disabled" as a condition in which a person, as a result of a mental health disorder, a severe substance use disorder, or a co-occurring mental health disorder and a severe substance use disorder, is unable to provide for their basic personal needs for food, clothing, shelter, personal safety, or necessary medical care. This bill would include in the definition of "gravely disabled" for purposes of the above provisions an individual who is unable to provide for their basic personal needs due to chronic alcoholism, as defined. The bill would further define a "mental health disorder" as a condition outlined in the current edition of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws. (Based on 04/10/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/09/25 - [SEN. HEALTH](#) (Y:8 N:0 A:3) (P)

Position: Watch

SB 367

(Allen, D) Mental health.

Current Text: 04/21/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/13/2025

Last Amended: 04/21/2025

Status: 04/21/2025 - From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on JUD.



Location: 04/10/2025 - Senate Judiciary

Summary: Under the Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) Act, when a person, as a result of a mental health disorder, is a danger to themselves or others, or is gravely disabled, the person may, upon probable cause, be taken into custody by specified individuals, including, among others, a peace officer and a designated member of a mobile crisis team, and placed in a facility designated by the county and approved by the State Department of Health Care Services for up to 72 hours for evaluation and treatment. Current law defines “assessment” for those purposes to mean the determination of whether a person shall be evaluated and treated. This bill would require an assessment to consider reasonably available, relevant information as specified. The bill would also authorize an assessment to be used to assist specified individuals in developing an aftercare plan for an individual, if that individual has agreed to an aftercare plan and can be properly served without being detained. (Based on 04/21/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/09/25 - **SEN. HEALTH** (Y:11 N:0 A:0) (P)

Position: Watch

SB 496 (**Hurtado, D**) **Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation: appeals advisory committee: exemptions.**

Current Text: 04/07/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/19/2025

Last Amended: 04/07/2025

Status: 04/25/2025 - Set for hearing May 5.



Location: 04/22/2025 - Senate Appropriations

Summary: The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 establishes the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases and requires the state board to adopt rules and regulations to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emission reductions from those sources. Pursuant to its authority, the state board has adopted the Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation, which imposes various requirements for transitioning local, state, and federal government fleets of medium- and heavy-duty trucks, other high-priority fleets of medium- and heavy-duty trucks, and drayage trucks to zero-emission vehicles. The Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation authorizes entities subject to the regulation to apply for exemptions from its requirements under certain circumstances. This bill would require the state board to establish the Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation Appeals Advisory Committee by an unspecified date for purposes of reviewing appeals of denied requests for exemptions from the requirements of the Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation. The bill would require the committee to include representatives of specified governmental and nongovernmental entities. The bill would require the committee to meet monthly and would require recordings of its meetings to be made publicly available on the state board's internet website. The bill would require the committee to consider, and make a recommendation on, an appeal of an exemption request denial no later than 60 days after the appeal is made. The bill would require specified information relating to the committee's consideration of an appeal to be made publicly available on the state board's internet website. (Based on 04/07/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/02/25 - **SEN. E.Q.** (Y:8 N:0 A:0) (P)

04/22/25 - **SEN. TRANS.** (Y:15 N:0 A:0) (P)

Position: Watch

SB 635 (**Durazo, D**) **Food vendors and facilities: enforcement activities.**

Current Text: 04/07/2025 - Amended [HTML](#) [PDF](#)

Introduced: 02/20/2025

Last Amended: 04/07/2025

Status: 04/11/2025 - Set for hearing April 29.



Location: 04/03/2025 - Senate Public Safety

Summary: Current law authorizes a local authority, as defined, to adopt a program to regulate sidewalk vendors if the program complies with specified standards. These standards include restricting the local authority from requiring a sidewalk vendor to operate within specific parts of the public right-of-way, except when that restriction is directly related to objective health, safety, or welfare concerns. A violation of these provisions is punishable only by an administrative fine, as specified. This bill would prohibit a local authority, except as otherwise required by federal law, from providing voluntary consent to an immigration enforcement agent to access, review, or obtain any of the local authority's records that include personally identifiable information of any sidewalk vendors in the jurisdiction without a subpoena or judicial warrant. (Based on 04/07/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/02/25 - **SEN. L. GOV.** (Y:5 N:2 A:0) (P)

Position: Watch

SB 650

(Cabaldon, D) The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009.

Current Text: 04/09/2025 - Amended **HTML PDF**

Introduced: 02/20/2025

Last Amended: 04/09/2025

Status: 04/09/2025 - Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on JUD.



Location: 04/08/2025 - Senate Judiciary

Summary: The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009 provides that it is the intent of the Legislature to provide for the sustainable management of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta ecosystem, to provide for a more reliable water supply for the state, to protect and enhance the quality of water supply from the Delta, as defined, and to establish a governance structure that will direct efforts across state agencies to develop a legally enforceable Delta Plan. This bill would make the provisions of the Delta Plan severable. (Based on 04/09/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/08/25 - **SEN. N.R. & W.** (Y:6 N:0 A:1) (P)

Position: Watch

SB 777

(Richardson, D) Abandoned endowment care cemeteries: local agency possession and responsibility.

Current Text: 03/26/2025 - Amended **HTML PDF**

Introduced: 02/21/2025

Last Amended: 03/26/2025

Status: 04/17/2025 - Set for hearing April 28.



Location: 04/03/2025 - Senate Appropriations

Summary: The Cemetery and Funeral Act establishes the Cemetery and Funeral Bureau within the Department of Consumer Affairs and sets forth its powers and duties relating to the licensure and regulation of, among others, cemeteries and cemetery authorities, which includes cemetery associations, corporations sole, limited liability companies, and other persons owning or controlling cemetery lands or property. Current law authorizes a cemetery authority that maintains a cemetery to place its cemetery under endowment care and to establish, maintain, and operate an endowment care fund. Ninety days following the cancellation, surrender, or revocation of a certificate of authority, current law gives the bureau title to any endowment care funds of a cemetery authority and possession of all necessary books, records, property, real and personal,

and assets, and requires the bureau to act as conservator over the management of the endowment care funds. This bill would require a local agency formation commission for the county in which an abandoned endowment care cemetery is located to identify a local agency to be responsible for the care, maintenance, and embellishment of the cemetery, as specified. The bill would vest fee title of the cemetery in the local agency and would restrict the local agency's use of the property to uses consistent with cemetery purposes. The bill would give the local agency title to any endowment care funds of the prior cemetery authority held by the bureau, and would require the local agency to take possession of all necessary books, records, real property, personal property, and assets of the fund. (Based on 03/26/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/02/25 - **SEN. L. GOV.** (Y:6 N:1 A:0) (P)

Position: Watch

SB 789 (**Menjivar, D**) **Taxation: information returns: vacant commercial real property.**

Current Text: 04/21/2025 - Amended **HTML** **PDF**

Introduced: 02/21/2025

Last Amended: 04/21/2025

Status: 04/23/2025 - VOTE: Do pass as amended, but first amend, and re-refer to the Committee on [Appropriations] (PASS)



Location: 04/23/2025 - Senate Appropriations

Summary: Except as provided, the California Constitution requires that all property be taxed in proportion to its full value and assessed at the same percentage of fair market value. The Documentary Transfer Tax Act authorizes the imposition of a tax by a county or city, as provided, with respect to specified instruments that transfer specified interests in real property. Current law establishes the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration for the purpose of administering various taxes. This bill would require a person, as defined, that owns commercial property, as defined, in this state to register with the department, as provided. The bill would require every person owning commercial real property in this state to file an information return each year by a date determined by the department, as provided. The bill would require the information return to include specified information, including, among other requirements, whether any buildings or portions of buildings were vacant in the previous calendar year. The bill would authorize extensions of the time for a person to file an information return under specified circumstances, including for good cause. The bill would impose a civil penalty in an unspecified amount on any person who fails or refuses to timely furnish a return required by its provisions, as provided. The bill, upon appropriation, would require that a civil penalty collected under its provisions be used to repay any amounts received as a loan from the General Fund, as provided. (Based on 04/21/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/23/25 - **SEN. REV. & TAX** (Y:3 N:1 A:1) (P)

Position: Watch

WATCH - Amendments Requested

AB 1018 (**Bauer-Kahan, D**) **Automated decision systems.**

Current Text: 04/10/2025 - Amended **HTML** **PDF**

Introduced: 02/20/2025

Last Amended: 04/10/2025

Status: 04/23/2025 - From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on JUD. (Ayes 9. Noes 3.) (April 22). Re-referred to Com. on JUD.



Location: 04/23/2025 - Assembly Judiciary

Summary: The California Fair Employment and Housing Act establishes the Civil Rights Department within the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency and requires the department to, among other things, bring civil actions to enforce the act. Current law requires, on or before September 1, 2024, the Department of

Technology to conduct, in coordination with other interagency bodies as it deems appropriate, a comprehensive inventory of all high-risk automated decision systems that have been proposed for use, development, or procurement by, or are being used, developed, or procured by, any state agency. This bill would generally regulate the development and deployment of an automated decision system (ADS) used to make consequential decisions, as defined. The bill would define “automated decision system” to mean a computational process derived from machine learning, statistical modeling, data analytics, or artificial intelligence that issues simplified output, including a score, classification, or recommendation, that is designed or used to assist or replace human discretionary decisionmaking and materially impacts natural persons. (Based on 04/10/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: Y

Votes:

04/22/25 - **ASM. P. & C.P.** (Y:9 N:3 A:3) (P)

Position: WATCH - Amendments Requested

WATCH - Recommended Position: Oppose

SB 357

(Menjivar, D) Juveniles: delinquency.

Current Text: 04/10/2025 - Amended **HTML PDF**

Introduced: 02/12/2025

Last Amended: 04/10/2025

Status: 04/11/2025 - Set for hearing April 29.



Location: 02/19/2025 - Senate Public Safety

Summary: Current law establishes the transition jurisdiction of the juvenile court and subjects certain minors who are older than 17 years and 5 months of age and younger than 18 years of age, and certain nonminors who are older than 18 years of age and less than 21 years of age, who were wards of the juvenile court and in foster care placement to that jurisdiction. Current law assigns various responsibilities relating to these individuals to the probation officer, including, among others, the responsibility to supervise minors placed on probation. Current law requires every county to appoint a chief probation officer and requires the chief probation officer to perform the duties and discharge the obligations imposed on the office by law or by order of the superior court, including, among other things, community supervision of the minors described above and the operation of juvenile halls, camps, and ranches, pursuant to specified provisions. This bill would authorize the board of supervisors in a county with a population of at least 3,500,000 people to delegate to a county official who has jurisdiction over youth development all or part of the duties and authorities concerning these individuals, including community supervision and the operation of juvenile halls, camps, and ranches. (Based on 04/10/2025 text)

Is Urgency: N

Is Fiscal: N

Position: WATCH - Recommended Position: Oppose

Total Measures: 42

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April 15, 2025

The Honorable Assemblymember Mia Bonta
Chair, Assembly Health Committee
1021 O Street, Suite 390
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RE: AB 1288 (Addis) Registered environmental health specialists – SUPPORT

Dear Chair Bonta:

As Chair of the Board of Supervisors of Contra Costa County, I write to express our support for Assembly Bill 1288 (Addis), which would help expand the environmental health specialist workforce by extending the time in which local health/environmental health departments may train and employ a local Registered Environmental Health Specialist (REHS) trainee from three years to five years.

In addition, AB 1288 was recently amended to include additional provisions to make it easier for people to become REHS trainees, allow them to successfully complete their trainee period, and allow more opportunities to take the certification test. Specifically, these provisions will redefine science degree requirements, opening the profession to a broader variety of college graduates with science and health care degrees. These additions will also increase the number of training topics local jurisdictions can cover to better prepare their trainees and lastly, amendments will update the composition of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Environmental Health Specialist Registration Committee, making it easier for the department to conduct and administer the committee, including recruiting and retaining committee members.

Currently, certification for the REHS program is administered by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). The program ensures that certified REHS' have met adequate education, training and experience requirements and have passed a comprehensive state examination. While working towards certification, individuals may be employed as a REHS trainee by local health/environmental health departments for up to three years. However, limited examination offerings and strict time limitations governing how often a trainee may take the exam have resulted in trainees being reassigned or released – even if they wish to continue to pursue a career as a certified REHS. The current state exam passage rate averages around 60 percent, covering a breadth of key technical topics.

REHSs play a critical role in safeguarding our communities. In Contra Costa County, residents and visitors are protected by REHS employed by Contra Costa Health (CCH) who work to

reduce the incidence of illness or injury for people throughout our communities. They do this by monitoring and enforcing a variety of state and local laws, ordinances, and regulations. This is usually accomplished through permitting and inspecting facilities subject to CCH oversight including, but not limited to:

- **Food Protection:** REHSs conduct surveillance of a wide range of food establishments to ensure day-to-day operations are done in a safe manner to prevent food-borne illness.
- **Recreational Health:** REHSs monitor the construction and operation of all public pools and spas to prevent injury or illness from unsafe or unsanitary conditions.
- **Drinking Water:** REHSs oversee Small Public Water Systems, well construction and destruction, water haulers, to ensure drinking water is safe for public consumption.
- **Solid Waste:** REHSs ensure that once waste is collected at the curbside, it is properly handled at landfills, transfer stations, compost facilities, and recycling facilities.

REHSs were also key to Contra Costa County's response to the COVID-19 pandemic helping to set-up and staff clinics for testing and vaccines, perform public outreach, and conduct complaint investigations in addition to their day-to-day duties mentioned above. Local REHSs have also been deployed during the clean-up phase of some of our state's most devastating wildfires to help their counterparts rebuild their communities. The critical role REHSs play in safeguarding everyday life has cemented Contra Costa County's need to ensure a strong and robust REHS workforce to provide essential services to our communities.

Contra Costa County is optimistic that AB 1288 will help address some of the recruitment and retention challenges we are currently experiencing. For example, Contra Costa Health has faced significant challenges recruiting and hiring REHS candidates. Most potential REHS candidates are employed with other agencies, making it difficult for CCH to recruit these candidates and have them accept employment in the County. CCH would greatly benefit from having the ability to recruit and employ REHS trainees for a longer period of time to ensure that important regulatory programs are staffed to protect the public health of our community.

AB 1288 will assist CCH to strengthen and sustain our REHS workforce pipeline with a simple extension of the time needed to pass the REHS exam. While this provision will not solve some of the larger issues all jurisdictions face, it will expand opportunities for entry-level employees to continue their careers with local health and environmental health departments. For these reasons, Contra Costa County respectfully requests your support for AB 1288.

Sincerely,



CANDACE ANDERSEN
Chair, Board of Supervisors

cc: Honorable Members, Assembly Health Committee
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April 11, 2025

The Honorable Aisha Wahab, Chair
Senate Housing Committee
1021 O Street, Suite 3330
Sacramento, CA 95814

RE: SB 16 (Blakespear) – Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention program: housing element: Integrated Plan for Behavioral Health Services and Outcomes. – OPPOSE –
As Amended March 25, 2025

Dear Chair Wahab:

On behalf of the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors, I write to inform you of our opposition to Senate Bill 16 by Senator Blakespear. Strengthening the state's homelessness response system is one of Contra Costa County's top priorities. Unfortunately, this measure takes a misguided approach that will exacerbate homelessness and redirect funding needed for comprehensive services and housing for the most vulnerable members of our community.

Our county supports the creation of a comprehensive homelessness response system that has defined roles for counties, cities, and the state, and that would provide sufficient, ongoing funding to accomplish those defined responsibilities. The Contra Costa County Continuum of Care (CoC) unites over 50 organizations, cities, towns and individuals with a shared mission to prevent and end homelessness in Contra Costa County. Our CoC has worked collaboratively with cities and local partners to address the homelessness crisis, engaging in a planning process to develop a comprehensive regional homelessness action plan, reflecting mutual agreement on how to address homelessness in our region. Together, we have made collaborative decisions to address all aspects of homelessness response, including connecting individuals to health and human services, prevention efforts, conducting street outreach, supporting shelters, and operating permanent supportive housing. The CoC's plan was submitted jointly as part of the application for Round 5 of the Homeless Housing, Accountability and Prevention (HHAP) program and was approved by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

In contrast to this collaborative planning effort, SB 16 imposes an unfunded mandate requiring counties to cover 50% of the operational costs for city-run shelters, with no funding source provided. While counties are responsible for health and human services across their entire jurisdiction, this differs from the financial responsibility for operating shelters. Any county contributions to a city-operated shelter should be based on collaborative local planning, not a one-size-fits-all mandate.

The mandate in this bill applies to one aspect of the state's homelessness response system, at the expense of other programs and services needed for a comprehensive homeless response. SB 16 creates a specific funding obligation solely for interim shelters, which applies to only one of the three entities that receive HHAP funding. SB 16 will require counties to prioritize all resources for shelter operations, diverting funds from other services for homeless individuals, including permanent housing and social, health, and behavioral health services.

SB 16 is inconsistent with State priorities, including Rounds 5 and 6 of the HHAP program, which reflect a policy decision of the Governor and Legislature to prioritize utilizing funds for permanent housing before new interim housing. SB 16 instead moves the HHAP program away from prioritizing permanent housing and disregards the collaborative local decisions made with state direction and guidance in the recently approved regional plans. Instead, it directs only counties - not cities or CoCs - on how to spend funding for one specific aspect of homelessness.

In addition, SB 16 creates an unprecedented and inappropriate state review of county budgets by allowing HCD to review county financial documents to determine what level of funding a county can afford to provide for the shelter funding obligation. This is a unique and highly concerning proposal that reflects a lack of understanding about the complex nature of county budgets. Counties have very few discretionary dollars, as the overwhelming majority of funds managed by counties are dedicated to a specific federal, state, or required local purpose.

Without sufficient funding to address unmet needs, including for homelessness, Contra Costa opted to pass a local sales tax. Since its enactment in 2021, Contra Costa has invested an additional \$40.7 million in discretionary sales tax dollars to support efforts to build permanent supportive housing and affordable housing. This past summer, our County opened a new 54-bed permanent supportive housing complex in San Pablo. Permanent supportive housing has a 90% success rate in avoiding a return to homelessness, in contrast to temporary shelters. SB 16 would halt progress in investing local funds in long-term, evidence-based solutions to homelessness.

Contra Costa County continues to be a willing partner in finding solutions to enhance accountability and better serve and unhoused individuals throughout the state. Regrettably, SB 16 is contrary to these goals and, as a result, we must oppose SB 16.

Sincerely,



CANDACE ANDERSEN
Chair, Board of Supervisors

cc: Honorable Members, Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors
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Jami Morritt, Chief Assistant Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
The Honorable Catherine Blakespear, California State Senate
Members, Senate Housing Committee
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