



Meeting Minutes - Draft

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY Legislation Committee

Supervisor Diane Burgis, Chair
Supervisor Shanelle Scales-Preston, Vice Chair

Thursday, June 12, 2025

1:30 PM 1361 Walnut Boulevard, Suite 140, Brentwood,
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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

The meeting was called to order by Chair Burgis. Items were taken out of order, beginning first with informational updates from the County's federal and state lobbyists. Vice Chair Scales-Preston and Chair Burgis were both in attendance in person from their respective office locations listed on the agenda.

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 public comments were made on this item.

2. RECEIVE and APPROVE the Record of Action for the April 30, 2025 meeting of the Legislation Committee, with any necessary corrections. [25-2362](#)

Attachments: [Draft Record of Action - April 30 2025](#)

The record of action for the April 30, 2025 meeting was approved as received.

No public comments were made on this item.

3. RECEIVE a report on federal matters of interest to the County and PROVIDE direction and/or input as needed. [25-2363](#)

Attachments: [Attachment A - TRP Report on Reconciliation - Local Government](#)
[Attachment B - TRP Tip Sheet - June 6](#)
[Attachment C - FY26 Project Requests](#)
[Attachment D - Direct Local Program & Funding Impacts of Exec. Actions](#)

Jim Davenport and Paul Schlesinger from Thorn Run Partners presented an update on federal legislative and budgetary matters of interest to the County via Zoom.

Topics discussed included:

- Federal Reconciliation (H.R. 1) and major proposed changes to Medicaid and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) which would impact Contra Costa.
- Status of FY26 Appropriations and Congressionally Directed Spending (also called Community Project Funding or earmark) requests.

No public comments were made on this item.

4. RECEIVE a report on the State Budget and legislative or regulatory matters of interest to the County, and PROVIDE direction to staff and the County's state advocates as needed.

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Attachments:

[Attachment A - NM Quarterly Report](#)

[Attachment B - Tracked Bills](#)

[Attachment C - NM Regulatory File](#)

[Attachment D - Position Letters Sent](#)

[Attachment E - Budget Letters Sent](#)

Michelle Rubalcava and Geoff Neill from Nielsen Merksamer provided an update on state budgetary and legislative matters of interest.

Topics discussed included:

STATE BUDGET

- State budget process and the Governor's proposed "budget solutions".
- Funding for Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) Grant: no funding for a Round 7.
- Prop 36 Implementation funding: some/minimal funding provided for behavioral health and Probation.

STATE LEGISLATION

- First house of origin deadline has passed.
- Second house process moves much more quickly.

CAP & TRADE REAUTHORIZATION

- Cap and Trade reauthorization is moving forward. Whether or not the reauthorization occurs this summer/fall, it will no doubt be reauthorized.
- Cap and Trade is unlikely to have any major changes, aside from a name change or messaging. The most controversial areas anticipated are about the allocation of GHG funds.
- GHG funds have been floated to be used for three main things: High Speed Rail, continuing appropriations for affordable housing/sustainable communities, and policies that are less directly linked to GHGs (like safer drinking water, certain agriculture programs).
- GHG funds have already been directed towards the Governor's proposal to backfill \$500 million/year to CalFire, meaning the pool of funds available to allocate is shrinking.

5. REVIEW recommended positions on state legislation of interest, and provide direction to staff and state advocates.

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Attachments:

[Attachment A - Recommended Positions on Bills of Interest](#)

The Committee considered recommending positions on state legislation consistent with the County's adopted legislative platforms.

The Committee determined that one bill should be watched, without taking a position at this time:

- AB 793 (Schultz): Watch

The Committee affirmed the recommended positions on the following bills:

-AB 1337 (Ward): Oppose

-SB 777 (Richardson): Oppose

-AB 1153 (Bonta): Support

-AB 1426 (Kalra): Support

-AB 1430 (Bennett): Support

-SB 392 (Grayson): Support

-SB 696 (Alvarado-Gil): Support

Descriptions and links to the official bill language can be found in the attachment to this item.

6. DISCUSS upcoming Legislative Delegation Reception, currently scheduled for August 8, 2025, and provide direction to staff as needed on agenda topics, format, presenters, and other related logistics. [25-2366](#)

The upcoming special meeting of the Legislation Committee on August 8 will be an informational public meeting with a focus on educating and building relationships with the County's state/federal elected representatives.

The Committee provided direction to staff around the event structure and topics. Specifically, to focus on a few topics of the greatest need, and to share information that is new and actionable. The Committee also encouraged inviting Cities and partner agencies to participate.

7. CONSIDER making a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to award state and federal advocacy contracts, and DIRECT staff on next steps. [25-2367](#)

Attachments:

[Attachment A - Current State Scope of Services](#)

[Attachment B - Current Federal Scope of Services](#)

The Committee recommended that the state and federal contract awards be advanced for consideration by the Board of Supervisors at the June 24, 2025 meeting.

The next meeting is currently scheduled for July 28, 2025 at 9:00 AM.

Adjourn

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