

County of Monterey

Monterey County Government Center
168 W. Alisal St.
Salinas, CA 93901



Meeting Minutes - Draft

**Join via Zoom at <https://montereycty.zoom.us/j/98147828225>
(Meeting ID: 981 4782 8225); or**

Monday, April 14, 2025

1:30 PM

**In-person at 168 W. Alisal St, 2nd Flr, Salinas CA-Monterey Room; or 11140
Speegle St, Castroville CA-Dist 2 Office**

Legislative Committee

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 p.m.

Additions and Corrections

None.

Public Comment Period**ACTION:**

- Received public comment from Nina Beatty
- Received public comment from Connie Cobalt

Approval of Action Minutes

1. Consider approval of the action minutes from the March 10, 2025, Legislative Committee meeting.

ACTION:

- Approved the action minutes from the March 10, 2025, Legislative Committee meeting

Reports from Legislative Offices

2. Introduction of staff and brief reports from State/Federal Legislative Offices:
 - a. Office of Senator Alex Padilla
 - b. Office of Senator Adam Schiff
 - c. Office of Congressman Jimmy Panetta
 - d. Office of Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren
 - e. Office of Senator John Laird
 - f. Office of Assemblymember Robert Rivas
 - g. Office of Assemblymember Dawn Addis

ACTION: Received reports by:

- Office of Congresswoman Zoe Lofgren by Jordan Montgomery
- Office of Senator John Laird by Marisa Hernandez
- Office of Assemblymember Dawn Addis by Alexis Arrozola

Federal Report - Presenter: Maria Tripplaar & Katlyn Koegel (Ballard Spahr LLP)

3. Receive reports, provide direction, and consider positions and/or recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on:
 - a. Federal Government Update
 - i. Congressional Overview
 - ii. Executive Order Updates
 - b. Budget Update, including Community Project Funding Requests
 - c. Federal Advocacy
 - i. FEMA Updates
 - d. Legislation
 - i. S. 350, the Wildfire Emergency Act (Padilla)

- ii. S. 984, the Fair Access to Agriculture Disaster Programs Act (Padilla)
- iii. H.R. 965, the Housing Unhoused Disabled Veterans Act (Sherman)
- iv. H.R. 1510, The Due Process Continuity of Care Act (Sylvester)
- e. Federal Bill/Issues

ACTION:

- **Received reports**
- **Adopted a “support” position on The Wildfire Emergency Act (S. 350)**
- **Adopted a “support” position on The Fair Access to Agriculture Disaster Programs Act (S. 984)**
- **Adopted a “support” position on The Housing Unhoused Disabled Veterans Act (H.R. 965)**
- **Adopted a “support” position on The Due Process Continuity of Care Act (H.R. 1510)**

State Report - Presenters: Ashley Walker & Kasha Hunt (Nossaman LLP)

4. Receive reports, provide direction, and consider positions and/or recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on:
 - a. Status of the Legislature
 - b. Status of the State Budget
 - i. In-Home Support Services (IHSS) County Administrative Funding Request
 - ii. CalWORKs Administrative Funding Request
 - iii. Housing and Homeless Programs Funding Request
 - iv. Member Requests
 - c. Legislation:
 - i. AB 63 (Rodriguez) Loitering with intent to commit prostitution.
 - ii. AB 303 (Addis) Battery energy storage facilities
 - iii. AB 470 (McKinnor) Telephone corporations: carriers of last resort.
 - iv. AB 726 (Avila Farias) Planning and zoning: annual report: rehabilitated units.
 - v. AB 933 (Avila Farias) Organized residential camps: organized day camps.
 - vi. AB 946 (Bryan) Chief probation officer: designee.
 - vii. AB 1014 (Rogers) Traffic safety: speed limits.
 - viii. SB 283 (Laird) Battery energy storage facilities: emergency response plans and emergency action plans.
 - ix. SB 357 (Menjivar) Juveniles: delinquency.
 - x. SB 577 (Laird) Civil actions.
 - xi. SB 599 (Caballero) Atmospheric Rivers Research and Forecast Improvement Program: extended range forecasting.
 - xii. SB 601 (Allen) Water: waste discharge
 - xiii. SB 839 (Laird) Oil spills: fishing: water closure: grants: liability
 - d. California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Hearing - Energy Storage Safety, Emergency Response Requirements
 - e. Governor’s Actions and Executive Orders
 - f. State Bill/Issues Track

ACTION:

- Received reports
- Adopted a “support” position on funding in the State Budget to address Housing and Homeless funding
- Adopted a “support” position on AB 63 (Rodriguez) Loitering with intent to commit prostitution
- Referred AB 303 (Addis) to the Board of Supervisors without a recommended position
- Adopted an “oppose” position on AB 470 (McKinnor) Telephone corporations: carriers of last resort
- Adopted a “support” position on AB 726 (Avila Farias) Planning and zoning: annual report: rehabilitated units.
- Adopted an “oppose” position on AB 933 (Avila Farias) Organized residential camps: organized day camps.
- Adopted an “oppose” position on AB 946 (Bryan) Chief probation officer: designee.
- Recommended a “support” position to the Board of Supervisors on SB 283 (Laird) Energy storage systems.
- Adopted an “oppose” position on SB 357 (Menjivar) Juveniles: delinquency.
- Adopted a “support” position on SB 577 (Laird) Civil actions.
- Adopted a “support” position on SB 599 (Caballero) Atmospheric Rivers Research and Forecast Improvement Program: extended range forecasting.
- Adopted an “oppose” position on SB 601 (Allen) Water: waste discharge.
- Adopted a “watch” position on SB 839 (Laird) Oil spills: fishing: water closure: grants: liability.
- Received public comment
 - o Dominic Dursa (Assembly Speaker Rivas’ Office) related to State Budget process
 - o Nina Beety, related to State Budget process, oppose AB 470, support AB 303, support SB 283
 - o Vincent Ferrante (The Board of Harbor Commissioners, Moss Landing Harbor District) support AB 303, SB 283 watch
 - o Ron Cheshire (IBEW Local 234 Tri County) support SB 283, oppose AB 303
 - o Mark Gonzales (Water Resources Agency Board of Directors) oppose AB 601
 - o Maria Jose Jamel (In partnership with health care providers) support SB 283, support AB 303
 - o Mary Eliza Schmidt, support AB 303
 - o Sheriff Tina Nieto, support AB 63, support AB 1014
 - o Hillary Theyer, Library Director, oppose AB 470, oppose AB 933

- o **Alexis Arrazola (Assemblymember Dawn Addis' office) comment related to AB 303**

Grant Report – Presenters: Ashley Walker & Kasha Hunt (Nossaman LLP)

5. Receive reports, provide direction, and consider positions and/or recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on:
 - a. Congressional Funding Requests - Letters of Support
 - b. San Lucas Drinking Water Project
 - c. California Coastal Commission Proposition 4 Application
 - d. Grant Track

ACTION:

- Received reports

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.