

MONTEREY COUNTY LEGISLATIVE/ISSUES TRACK – MAY 16, 2016

BILL	AUTHOR	TOPIC	LOCATION	SUMMARY	POSITION/ACTION
<u>AB 21</u>	<u>Woods D</u>	Medical marijuana: cultivation licenses	CHAPTERED	This bill repeals a March 1, 2016 deadline by which cities and counties must act on ordinances to regulate or ban medical marijuana cultivation and allows local governments to exercise their police powers over certain cultivators of medical marijuana.	Support 1/7/16 – Letter to author
<u>AB 43</u>	<u>Stone D</u>	Personal income taxes: credit: earned income	Held in Senate Approps DEAD	Would, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, in modified conformity with federal income tax laws, allow an earned income credit to an eligible individual that is equal to specified percentages of the earned income tax credit allowed by federal law. The bill would provide that in those years in which an appropriation is made by the Legislature, the credit would be refundable.	Support 3/2/15 – Letter to author 7/3/15 – Testified in Gov & Finance Committee
<u>AB 45</u>	<u>Mullin D</u>	Household hazardous waste	6/8/16 - Senate Enviro. Quality	This bill would require the department to adopt one or more model ordinances for a comprehensive program for the collection of household hazardous waste and would authorize a local jurisdiction that provides for the residential collection and disposal of solid waste that proposes to enact an ordinance governing the collection and diversion of household hazardous waste to adopt one of the model ordinances adopted by the department. The bill would require the department to determine whether a nonprofit organization has been created and funded to make grants to local jurisdictions for specified purposes relating to household hazardous waste disposal and would specify that if the department does not determine that such a nonprofit organization exists by December 31, 2018, then the bill's provisions would be repealed on January 1, 2019.	Oppose 4/14/15 – Letter to author 4/22/15 – Testified Asm. Local Gov't 4/28/15 – Testified Asm. ES&TM 1/21/16 - Amended
<u>AB 48</u>	<u>Stone D</u>	Cigarettes: single-use filters	2/17/15 – Referred to GO Cmte DEAD	Would state findings and declarations of the Legislature regarding the health and safety hazards to residents of the state related to cigarettes utilizing single-use filters. The bill would prohibit a person or entity from selling, giving, or in any way furnishing to another person of any age in this state a cigarette utilizing a single-use filter made of any material, including cellulose acetate, or other fibrous plastic material, and any organic or biodegradable material.	Support 3/2/15 – Letter to author
<u>AB 120</u>	Assembly Committee on Budget	Budget Act of 2015	CHAPTERED	Amends the 2015-16 Budget Act to provide the Secretary of State an additional \$16.3 million for unexpected costs related to the 2016 elections.	Support 4/27/16 – Letter to author
<u>AB 171</u>	<u>Irwin D</u>	Department of Veterans Affairs: veterans' services	Senate Inactive File	Appropriates \$5.6 million annually to the California Department of Veterans Affairs (CalVet) for allocation to counties to fund county veterans service officers (CVSOs).	Support 6/16/15 – Letter to author
<u>AB 203</u>	<u>Obernolte D</u>	State responsibility areas: fire prevention fees	DEAD	Extends the deadline to file a petition for redetermination of the state responsibility area fire prevention fee from 30 days to 60 days.	Support 4/14/15 – Letter to author

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<u>AB 238</u>	<u>Stone D</u>	Telecommunications: California Advanced Services Fund	DEAD	Current law requires the PUC to develop, implement, and administer the CASF to encourage deployment of high-quality advanced communications services to all Californians that will promote economic growth, job creation, and substantial social benefits of advanced information and communications technologies, as provided in specified decisions of the commission and in the CASF statute. <i>This bill would extend to 12/31/20, the time to meet the program goal and would specify the threshold speeds to be met in achieving the goal. The bill would require the PUC to give priority to projects that provide advanced communication services at those threshold speeds to unserved and underserved households until the goal is achieved. The bill would authorize the PUC, once that goal is achieved, to prioritize funding for other specified projects. The bill would require the PUC and the California Broadband Council, in consultation with relevant state agencies, to develop a plan to implement these provisions in a manner that fosters public-private collaboration. The bill would authorize the PUC to allocate up to \$10M from the Broadband Infrastructure Grant Account in the CASF to a specified nonprofit organization for specified purposes.</i>	Support 4/14/15 – Letter to author 1/4/16 - Amended
<u>AB 690</u>	<u>Wood D</u>	Medi-Cal: federally qualified health centers: rural health clinics	DEAD	Adds marriage and family therapist (MFT) to the list of health care providers that qualify for a face-to-face encounter with a patient at a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) or Rural Health Center (RHC) for purposes of a per visit Medi-Cal payment under the prospective payment system (PPS).	Support 5/1/15 – Letter to author
<u>AB 858</u>	<u>Wood D</u>	Medi-Cal: federally qualified health centers and rural health clinics	VETOED	Would add marriage and family therapists (MFTs) to the list of health care providers that qualify for face-to-face encounter payments from the Medi-Cal program to federally qualified health centers and rural health clinics. <i>*Substantially amended to have MFT Medi-Cal billable providers for FQHCs.</i>	Support 5/1/15 – Letter to author
<u>AB 908</u>	<u>Gomez D</u>	Disability compensation: family temporary disability insurance	CHAPTERED	Would require the family temporary disability insurance program to provide up to 10 weeks of wage replacement benefits. This bill would, for purposes of this program, require the weekly benefit amount to be calculated with a specified formula. However, the amount would be prohibited from being less than \$250 and more than the maximum workers' compensation temporary disability indemnity weekly benefit amount, as specified.	Support 5/5/15 – Letter to author
<u>AB 1315</u>	<u>Alejo D</u>	Public contracts: water pollution prevention plans: delegation.	DEAD	Would prohibit a public entity, charter city, or charter county from delegating to a contractor the development of a plan, as defined, used to prevent or reduce water pollution or runoff on a public works contract, except as provided. By requiring a public entity, charter city, or charter county to prepare a plan, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Concerns 5/27/15 – Letter to author 5/27/15 - Meeting with Asm. Alejo

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AB 1585	<u>Alejo D</u>	Monterey County Resources Agency: water conveyance	Assembly Approps Suspense File	This bill would require no less than \$25M from an unspecified source to be allocated, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the Water Resources Agency (WRA) for the purpose of constructing a water conveyance tunnel between Lake Nacimiento & San Antonio. This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the WRA.	Support (BoS & BoS WRA) 4/12/16 – Letters to author 5/6/16 – Revised letters to author Testified in Asm. W,P & W
AB 1597	<u>Stone D</u>	County jails: performance milestone credits	Senate Public Safety	Allows an inmate in the county jail, who has not been sentenced, to earn program credit reductions for successfully completing specific program performance objectives, otherwise known as "milestones".	Watch – possible support
AB 1702	<u>Stone D</u>	Juveniles: dependent children: reunification services	Senate Rules for assignment	Expands the court's ability to deny reunification services to the parent or guardian of a dependent child to include instances in which the court finds, by clear and convincing evidence, that the parent has participated in or consented to the child's sexual exploitation	Watch – possible support
AB 1703	<u>Santiago D</u>	Inmates: medical treatment	Senate Public Safety	Expands the definition of immediate medical or hospital care for inmates at county or city jails to include critical specialty medical procedures, such as dialysis, which cannot be furnished, performed, or supplied at a county or city jail.	Watch – possible support
AB 1707	<u>Linder R</u>	Public Records: response to request	DEAD	This bill would require that local agencies subject to the California Public Records Act (PRA) include in their responses to requests for public records the name of documents withheld, and the exemption that applies to each document. The bill would additionally require these agencies to respond to all requests via written response, regardless of how the request is made.	Priority Watch
AB 1758	<u>Stone D</u>	Telecommunications: California Advanced Services Fund	DEAD	Extends the California Advanced Services Fund (CASF) to December 31, 2020, in order to meet the program goals of approving infrastructure projects that will provide broadband access to no less than 98% of the state's population.	Support 4/19/16 – Letter to author
AB 1836	<u>Maienschein</u>	Mental health: conservatorship hearings	Approps Suspense File	Would authorize the Probate Court – if a conservatorship has already been established under the Probate Code – to recommend a Lanterman-Petris-Short Act (LPS) conservatorship to a county conservatorship officer and compel that officer to conduct an investigation and submit a report to the Probate Court.	Watch – possible oppose
AB 1854	<u>Bloom D</u>	Bail: attorney's fees: forfeited bail	Senate Public Safety	Would restore the ability for prosecutorial agencies and county counsel offices to recover their costs incurred in successfully opposing a motion to vacate the forfeiture of bail.	Watch – possible support
AB 2319	<u>Gordon D</u>	California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank	5/11/16 – Assembly Approps	Would add affordable housing to the list of eligible projects to which the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank (IBank) is authorized to provide financial assistance.	Support 5/9/16 - Letter to author

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AB 2448	Burke D	CalWORKs: welfare-to-work: education	Senate Human Services	Would provide that if the county determines that a CalWORKs recipient has not received his/her high school diploma or its equivalent, the recipient may participate in a high school equivalency program in order to complete a high school equivalency test recognized by the State Department of Education. The bill would authorize the recipient to participate in a high school equivalency program in lieu of participating in a job search or job club, and prohibit the county from requiring the recipient to participate in an assessment before the recipient may engage in a high school equivalency program in satisfaction of welfare-to-work requirements.	Watch – possible support
AB 2475	Gordon D	Loan program: California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank	5/11/16 – Assembly Approps	Would establish within the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank the Local Government Affordable Housing Forgivable Loan Program, and require the bank to make loans to a local government for the development of affordable housing by the local government on terms and conditions the bank deems in the best interests of the state.	Support 5/9/16 - Letter to author
AB 2561	Committee on Veterans Affairs	Veterans cemeteries	Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs	Would establish the California Central Coast Veterans Cemetery Project Donation Fund, and would require that donations for the cemetery for a purpose specified by the donor instead be deposited in the fund, and be expended for the specific veterans cemetery maintenance or beautification project designated by the donor. This bill would continuously appropriate the fund to the department for these purposes.	Support 4/13/16 - Letter sent to author
AB 2636	Linder R	Certified copies of marriage, birth, and death certificates: electronic application	Assembly Suspense File	Would, if the request for a certified copy of a birth, death, or marriage record is made electronically, authorize the official to accept electronic acknowledgment verifying the identity of the applicant using a multilayered remote identity proofing process that includes guidelines for security and privacy, and satisfying other specified requirements, ensuring that the applicant is an authorized person. If an applicant's identity cannot be established electronically, the applicant shall include with his or her request a statement of identity notarized pursuant to existing law.	Watch – possible support
AB 2730	Alejo D	Department of Transportation: Prunedale Bypass: County of Monterey: disposition of excess properties	Rules Committee	Would classify certain properties acquired by the Department of Transportation for a replacement alignment for State Highway Route 101 in the County of Monterey, known as the former Prunedale Bypass, and no longer required by the department for the alternative improvements undertaken by it in place of the bypass, known as the Prunedale Improvement Project, as excess property and would require the department to expeditiously dispose of those excess properties.	Support 3/21/16 – Letter to author
AB 2734	Atkins D	Local Control Affordable Housing Act	Assembly Suspense File	Would establish the Local Control Affordable Housing Act to require the Department of Finance, on or before ____ and on or before the same date each year thereafter, to determine the state General Fund savings for the fiscal year as a result of the dissolution of redevelopment agencies. The bill would provide that, upon appropriation, 50% of that amount or \$1,000,000,000, whichever is less, be allocated to the Department of Housing and Community Development.	Support 5/9/16 - Letter to author

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ACR 77	Stone D	California Early Intervention Services Act	CHAPTERED	This bill reaffirms existing law, specifically, that every California child deserves periodic pediatric screenings and timely access to high-quality early intervention supports and services as needed.	Support 6/22/15 – Letter to author
SB 16	Beall	Transportation Funding	DEAD	Would create the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program to address deferred maintenance on the state highway system and the local street and road system. The bill would provide for the program to be authorized every 5 years by the Legislature, and would provide that authorization for the 2015-16 through 2019-20 fiscal years. The bill would require the California Transportation Commission to identify the estimated funds to be available for the program and adopt performance criteria to ensure efficient use of the funds.	Support 4/28/15 – Letter to author 5/26/15 – Letter to author
SB 23	Mitchell D	CalWORKs: eligibility	Asm Inactive File	This bill would repeal the state's Maximum Family Grant rule, which prohibits aid to a child born into a family receiving CalWORKs benefits if the child was conceived after the family began receiving aid. It would prohibit the denial of aid for that child, and would expressly prohibit the state from requiring an applicant or recipient to disclose whether they were a victim of incest or rape, their method of contraception or whether a family used contraception,	Support 3/17/15 – Letter to author 6/30/15 – Letter to Asm. Human Services Cmte.
SB 203	Monning D	Sugar-sweetened beverages: safety warnings	DEAD	Establishes the Sugar-Sweetened Beverages Safety Warning Act, to be administered by the Department of Public Health, and requires a safety warning on all sealed sugar-sweetened beverage containers, as specified. Requires the warning label to be posted in a place that is easily visible at the point-of-purchase of an establishment where a beverage container is not filled by the consumer.	Support 4/13/15 – Letter to author
SB 317	DeLeon D	The Safe Neighborhood Parks, Rivers, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2016	DEAD	This bill would enact the Safe Neighborhood Parks, Rivers, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2016, which, if adopted by the voters at the November 8, 2016, statewide general election, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the total amount of \$2,450,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a safe neighborhood parks, rivers, and coastal protection program.	Support 4/13/15 – Letter to author 5/28/15 – Sup Potter/staff met with Monning re: possible amendments to increase the per-capita funding formula.
SB 321	Beall D	Motor vehicle fuel taxes: rate adjustments	Senate Inactive File	This bill will make a much-needed technical fix to the complex process for setting the gasoline excise tax rate under the gas tax swap, while maintaining revenue neutrality with the former sales tax on gasoline.	Support 5/26/15 – Letter to author
SB 885	Wolk D	Construction contracts: indemnity	Senate 2 nd Reading	Would specify, for construction contracts entered into on or after January 1, 2017, that a design professional, as defined, only has the duty to defend claims that arise out of, or pertain or relate to, negligence, recklessness, or willful misconduct of the design professional. Under the bill, a design professional would not have a duty to defend claims against any other person or entity arising from a construction project, except that person or entity's reasonable defense costs arising out of the design professional's degree of fault, as specified.	Priority Watch

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SB 867	<u>Roth R</u>	Emergency medical services	Assembly Public Safety	Would remove the sunset date for local Maddy Emergency Medical Services Funds (Maddy Funds) to continue to assist hospitals and emergency physicians with the costs of treating uninsured patients, support local emergency services, and contribute to pediatric trauma care.	Watch – possible support
SB 947	<u>Pan D</u>	Public assistance: personal interviews	Senate Approps Suspense File	Would authorize county human services agencies to conduct personal interviews for CalWORKs eligibility applicants telephonically or through electronic means. This bill would provide that an in-person personal interview shall be conducted if requested by an applicant, and would remove the requirement for a county to verify “by personal contact” that an applicant is incapable of acting on his or her own behalf before CalWORKs aid is authorized.	Watch – possible support
SB 974	<u>Committee on Local Government</u>	Local government: omnibus (FORA Representation)	Assembly Local Government	Would allow the congressman, state senator, and state assemblymember whose districts include the majority of Fort Ord to appoint representatives to Fort Ord Reuse Authority’s (FORA) board.	Support 5/9/16 – Letter to author
SB 1170	<u>Wieckowski D</u>	Public contracts: water pollution prevention plans: delegation	5/16/16 – Senate Approps	Would prohibit a public entity, charter city, or charter county from delegating to a contractor the development of a plan, as defined, used to prevent or reduce water pollution or runoff on a public works contract, except as provided. The bill would also prohibit a public entity, charter city, or charter county from requiring a contractor on a public works contract that includes compliance with a plan to assume responsibility for the completeness and accuracy of a plan developed by that entity.	Oppose 5/6/16 – Letter to author
SB 1188	<u>McGuire D</u>	Wildlife management areas: payment of taxes and assessments	Senate Approps Suspense File	Requires, instead of authorizes, the Department of Fish and Wildlife (department) to pay annual in lieu payments and specified assessments to counties in which wildlife management areas are located.	Support 4/27/16 – Letter to author
SB 1197	<u>Cannella R</u>	Intercity rail corridors: extensions	Senate Housing and Transportation	Current law defines the boundaries of 3 intercity rail corridors, and requires the preparation of an annual business plan for the corridor by each participating joint powers board. This bill, at any time after an interagency transfer agreement between the department and a joint powers board has been entered into, would authorize the amendment of the agreement to provide for the extension of the affected rail corridor to provide intercity rail service beyond the defined boundaries of the corridor. The bill would require a proposed extension to first be recommended and justified in the business plan adopted by the joint powers board, and then would require the approval of the Secretary of Transportation.	Support 3/25/16 – Letter to author
SB 1201	<u>Mitchell D</u>	Placement of children: criminal records check	5/16/16 – Senate Approps	Would prohibit the State Department of Social Services, county adoption agency, or licensed adoption agency from giving final approval for an adoptive placement in a home in which the prospective adoptive parent or an adult living in the home has been convicted of a crime that is classified as a violent felony for purposes of various provisions of the Penal Code.	Watch – possible support

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SB 1250	McGuire D	Telecommunication s: major rural outages: notifications and reporting	Senate Approps Suspense File	Would impose, on a facilities-based provider of telecommunications services that the Federal Communications Commission requires to provide access to 911 service, certain notification and reporting requirements for a major rural outage of telecommunications services, with the requirements to be adopted by the Public Utilities Commission in consultation with the Office of Emergency Services.	Support 4/27/16 – Letter to author
SB 1264	Cannella R	Monterey County Water Resources Agency: Salinas River System	DEAD BUDGET PLAY	Would appropriate \$1,000,000 from the General Fund to the Monterey County Water Resources Agency, for use in the Salinas River, to assist in the removal of excess vegetation and trash, increase efficiency of instream flow using sediment and vegetation management strategies, and support the development and implementation of long-term management policies.	Priority Watch Support if included in budget

OTHER ISSUES	NOTES	POSITION/ACTION
East Garrison DOF Decision	Support efforts overturn the Department of Finance's decision re: denial of ROPS payment for a portion of the East Garrison project	Ongoing – Discussions with DOF 1/29/16 – County staff met with Assemblymember Stone
Old Jail Reuse	Work with local and state stakeholders to support a feasible reuse plan for the Old Jail	5/4 – JEA & Associates spoke with the SHPO, Julie Polanco, on follow-up from the County's meeting with Resources Agency. That communication was passed to the County, to which they will begin scheduling a meeting once the Board of Supervisors provides direction on the plan. 4/29/16 – Meeting with Senator Monning January – JEA & Associates is working on a meeting with Senator Monning and Don Searle, County Architect Services Manager, to discuss the reuse plan. 10/12/15 – Supervisors Potter and Salinas met with Todd Ferrara from Resources Agency to begin discussions with the SHPO
AHSC Funding Criteria (AMBAG)	Support changes to the Strategic Growth Council's Affordable Housing and Sustainable Housing Program funding criteria to be more regionally inclusive	3/15/16 – Call with AMBAG, JEA & Associates and Senator Cannella's office re: AHSC funding March – County letter sent to legislative delegation