

County of Monterey Federal Issues Track 2017-18

Measure	Author	Topic	Brief Summary	Position	Notes
S. 1152	Merkley	Cannabis	SAFE Banking Act – establishes protections for financial institutions that provide services to cannabis-related businesses	Support	3/1/17 briefing document supporting banking services for cannabis industry provided to congressional delegation
H.R. 2215	Perlmutter	Cannabis	SAFE Act - establishes protections for financial institutions that provide services to cannabis-related businesses	Support	3/1/17 briefing document supporting banking services for cannabis industry provided to congressional delegation
Medical Marijuana appropriations rider	Rohrabacher/Blumenauer	Cannabis	Prohibits DOJ from spending funds to prevent certain states “from implementing their own State laws that authorize the use, distribution, possession or cultivation of medical marijuana”	Support	
H.R. 753	Smith, A.	Economic Development	Military Infrastructure Consolidation and Efficiency Act -- authorizes a new BRAC process for DOD that values professional military education	Watch	
EO 13792	Trump	Energy/Natural Resources	Executive Order directing the Secretary of the Interior to review certain national monuments designated or expanded under the Antiquities Act of 1906	Oppose	6/5/17 letter and support material on Fort Ord National Monument sent to Sec. Zinke (US Dept of Interior) and filed as official comment; 6/7/17 letter and support material sent to congressional delegation
EO 13795	Trump	Energy/Natural Resources	Executive Order directing the Secretary of Commerce to review the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (MBNMS) for potential oil and gas development	Oppose	8/14/17 letter sent to Sec. Ross (US Dept of Commerce) opposing oil and gas drilling in MBNMS
H.R. 169	Huffman	Energy/Natural Resources	Prohibits the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management from issuing a lease for the exploration, development, or production of oil or natural gas in any area of the outer Continental Shelf off the coast of California, Oregon, or Washington	Support	8/23/17 letter to Panetta

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H.R. 731	Carbajal	Energy/Natural Resources	Prohibits oil and gas exploration and leasing in areas of the Outer Continental Shelf located off the coast of California	Support	8/23/17 letter to Panetta
S. 31	Feinstein	Energy/Natural Resources	Prohibits the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management from issuing a lease for the exploration, development, or production of oil or natural gas in any area of the outer Continental Shelf off the coast of California, Oregon, or Washington	Support	8/23/17 letter to Feinstein and Harris
OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Program	Zinke/DOI	Energy/Natural Resources	Interior Department proposal would open over 90% of the nation's Outer Continental Shelf waters for potential oil and gas exploration and development – two auctions are proposed for the central coast in 2021 and 2023	Watch	
H.R. 3921	Burgess	Health	Extends the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) for five years and community health center funding for two years; reduces funding for ACA Public Health Fund; delays DSH cuts until 2020	Watch	
S. 1827	Hatch	Health	Extends the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) for five years	Watch	
H.R. 195	Russell	Health	CR through 2/8/18 that includes a six year extension of CHIP	Watch	2/22/18 signed into law by President Trump
EO 13767	Trump	Immigration	Executive Order calling for construction of southern border wall, increased detention, expedited removal, and expansion of 287(g) program	Oppose	3/1/17 DC briefing document opposing EO provided to congressional delegation
EO 13768	Trump	Immigration	Executive Order calling for 10,000 additional ICE officers, loss of grant funding for sanctuary jurisdictions, increase in immigration prosecutions, and reinstatement of Secure Communities Program	Oppose	2/22/17 letter/BOS resolution declaring Monterey County a "Welcoming County for Immigrants" sent to congressional delegation; 3/1/17 DC briefing document opposing EO provided to congressional delegation
EO 13769	Trump	Immigration	Executive Order calling for a Muslim travel ban and	Oppose	2/3/17 letter/BOS resolution opposing EO sent

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			suspension of refugee admissions		to congressional delegation; 3/1/17 DC briefing document opposing EO provided to congressional delegation
DACA Repeal	Trump/DHS	Immigration	On 9/5/17, DHS issued a memorandum that phases out the DACA program protections for current beneficiaries by 3/5/18	Oppose	9/13/17 letter/BOS resolution opposing executive action sent to President and congressional delegation
S. 87	Toomey	Immigration	Prohibits sanctuary jurisdictions from receiving EDA and CDBG grants	Oppose	6/28/17 letters to Feinstein and Harris
S. 274	Feinstein	Immigration	Revokes EO 13769	Watch	
S. 415	Cortez-Masto	Immigration	Revokes EO 13768	Watch	
S. 1034	Feinstein	Immigration	Agricultural Worker Program Act of 2017 - farmworkers who have worked in agriculture for at least 100 days in each of the past two years may earn lawful “blue card” status and potentially transition to lawful permanent residency	Support	6/27/17 letter to Feinstein and Harris
S. 1126	Strange	Immigration	Denies federal transportation funds to sanctuary jurisdictions	Oppose	6/28/17 letters to Feinstein and Harris
S. 1615	Graham	Immigration	DREAM Act	Support	9/13/17 letter/BOS resolution supporting DACA legislation sent to Feinstein and Harris
S. 1720	Cotton	Immigration	RAISE Act – establishes a “merit-based” immigration system, cuts annual green card distribution in half, caps refugee admissions, and ends visa diversity lottery	Watch	
S. 2144	Van Hollen	Immigration	SECURE Act – provides for qualified TPS recipients to apply for legal permanent residency	Support	12/11/17 letter/BOS resolution supporting an extension of TPS and pathway to citizenship sent to congressional delegation
H.R. 83	Barletta	Immigration	Prohibits federal financial assistance to sanctuary jurisdictions	Oppose	6/28/17 letter to Panetta
H.R. 400	Black	Immigration	Prohibits sanctuary jurisdictions from receiving EDA and CDBG grants	Oppose	6/28/17 letter to Panetta
H.R. 496	Coffman	Immigration	Provides a three-year provisional protected status	Watch	

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			to DREAMERS		
H.R. 824	Smith, J.	Immigration	Denies federal transportation funds to sanctuary jurisdictions	Oppose	6/28/17 letter to Panetta
H.R. 2431	Labrador	Immigration	Authorizes localities to enforce criminal penalties for immigration violations; provides immunity for local officials enforcing immigration laws	Watch	
H.R. 2690	Gutierrez	Immigration	Agricultural Worker Program Act of 2017 - farmworkers who have worked in agriculture for at least 100 days in each of the past two years may earn lawful “blue card” status and potentially transition to lawful permanent residency	Support	6/27/17 letter to Panetta
H.R. 3003	Goodlatte	Immigration	Prevents states and localities from establishing policies that prohibit cooperation with federal immigration authorities; non-compliant localities are denied DOJ grant funds	Oppose	6/28/17 letter to Panetta
H.R. 3440	Roybal-Allard	Immigration	DREAM Act	Support	9/13/17 letter/BOS resolution supporting DACA legislation sent to Panetta
H.R. 3711	Smith, L.	Immigration	Legal Workforce Act – establishes an employment verification system patterned after E-Verify	Watch	
H.R. 4253	Velazquez	Immigration	Creates a path to permanent, lawful residency for individuals who currently receive TPS and Deferred Enforcement Departure	Support	12/11/17 letter/BOS resolution supporting an extension of TPS and pathway to citizenship sent to congressional delegation
FEMA disaster assistance		Infrastructure	FEMA provides federal assistance for major disasters to repair damaged infrastructure	Support	3/1/17 briefing document requesting support for FEMA disaster assistance provided to congressional delegation
Pajaro River Flood Control Project		Infrastructure	Monterey and Santa Cruz counties are working with the Army Corps of Engineers to authorize and fund a flood control project for the Pajaro River	Support	10/3-5/17 meetings with White House, Panetta, congressional staff and Army Corps 11/1/17 meeting with Panetta
H.R. 1	Brady	Tax	Tax Cuts and Jobs Act – limits property tax deduction to \$10,000 and eliminates deductions for state and local income taxes; eliminates tax-	Oppose	11/15/17 letter to Panetta

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			exempt status of advanced refunding bonds; maintains tax-exempt status of municipal bonds and private activity bonds		
S. 976	Enzi	Tax	Marketplace Fairness Act - allows states and counties to enforce existing sales tax laws on remote purchases	Watch	
H.R. 2193	Noem	Tax	Remote Transactions Parity Act - allows states and counties to enforce existing sales tax laws on remote purchases	Watch	
Payment in Lieu of Taxes		Tax	Department of the Interior program that provides compensation to counties with tax-exempt federal land within their boundaries	Watch	
FY2018 Transportation Funding		Transportation	The President's FY18 budget request proposes deep cuts to FTA grant programs	Oppose	5/2/17 letters to congressional delegation