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AB 1	Connolly, D	Residential property insurance: wildfire risk.	12/02/2024 - Introduced <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	08/29/2025 - Senate THIRD READING	Current Department of Insurance regulations prohibit an insurer from using a rating plan that does not take into account and reflect specified wildfire risk mitigation, including property-level building hardening measures. This bill would require the department, on or before January 1, 2030, and every 5 years thereafter, to consider whether or not to update its regulations to include additional building hardening measures for property-level mitigation efforts and communitywide wildfire mitigation programs. As part of this consideration, the bill would require the department to consult with specified agencies to identify additional building hardening measures to consider, as well as to develop and implement a public participation process during the evaluation. (Based on 12/02/2024 text)		2/10/25 letter to author 4/9/25 memo to Asm. Approps 6/10/25 memo Sen. Insurance 7/3/25 memo Sen. Approps
AB 49	Muratsuchi, D	Schoolsites: immigration enforcement.	08/26/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	08/27/2025 - Senate THIRD READING	Would prohibit school officials and employees of a local educational agency from allowing an officer or employee of an agency conducting immigration enforcement to enter a nonpublic area of a schoolsite, as defined, for any purpose without being presented with a valid judicial warrant, judicial subpoena, or a court order. The bill would require school officials and employees of a local educational agency, to the extent practicable, to request valid identification of any officer or employee of an agency conducting immigration enforcement seeking to enter a nonpublic area of a schoolsite. The bill would also prohibit a local educational agency and its personnel from disclosing or providing, in writing, verbally, or in any other manner, the education records of or any information about a pupil or a pupil's family and household without the pupil's	Support	1/28/25 Support letter to Asm Judiciary 5/12/25 - Amended letter to Asm Appropriations 6/5/2025 - Memo to Senate Appropriations 6/25/2025 Memo to Senate Appropriations

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					parents' or guardians' written consent, a school employee, or a teacher to an officer or employee of an agency conducting immigration enforcement without a valid judicial warrant or judicial subpoena, or court order directing the local educational agency or its personnel to do so. By imposing additional duties on local educational agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. (Based on 08/26/2025 text)		
AB 53		Personal income taxes: exclusion: Military Services Retirement and Surviving Spouse Benefit Payment Act.	02/24/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	06/11/2025 - Senate REV. & TAX	Would, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, and before January 1, 2030, exclude from gross income retirement pay received by a qualified taxpayer, as defined, during the taxable year, not to exceed \$20,000, from the federal government for service performed in the uniformed services, as defined. The bill, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, and before January 1, 2030, would also exclude from gross income annuity payments received during the taxable year, not to exceed \$20,000, by a qualified taxpayer, as defined, pursuant to a United States Department of Defense Survivor Benefit Plan. The bill would make related findings and declarations. (Based on 02/24/2025 text)		2/11/25 support letter filed and sent to the delegation and CSAC and RCRC. A personal income tax exclusion for military services retirement and surviving spouses was included in the budget bill recently passed by the legislature and signed by the Governor and therefore AB 53 will not be moving forward.
	<u>Rodriguez,</u> <u>Michelle, D</u>	Loitering with intent to commit prostitution.	03/27/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	05/01/2025 - Assembly 2 YEAR	Current law, until January 1, 2023, prohibited loitering in a public place with the intent to commit prostitution, as defined, and made that crime a misdemeanor. This bill would reinstate those provisions and would prohibit law enforcement, as defined, from making an arrest pursuant to these provisions solely based on the individual's gender identity or sexual orientation. The bill would also require law enforcement, prior to making an arrest of the individual pursuant to these provisions, to document their attempts to offer the individual services. (Based on 03/27/2025 text)		4/14/25 Letter to Asm Appropriations
AB 226	Calderon, D	California FAIR Plan Association.	06/16/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	08/29/2025 - Senate THIRD READING	The California FAIR Plan Association is a joint reinsurance association in which all insurers licensed to write basic property insurance participate in administering a program for the equitable apportionment of basic property insurance for persons who are unable to		2/11/25 support letter filed and sent to the delegation and CSAC and RCRC. 6/10/2025 Memo to Senate 7/3/2025 Memo to Sen Appropriations

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					obtain that coverage through normal channels. Current law requires the association's plan of operation and any amendment to the plan to be approved by the Insurance Commissioner. Current law establishes the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank and authorizes it to issue bonds to provide funds for the payment of costs of a project for a participating party or upon request by a state entity. This bill would authorize the association, if granted prior approval from the commissioner, to request the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank to issue bonds and would authorize the bank to issue those bonds to finance the costs of claims, to increase liquidity and claimspaying capacity of the association, and to refund bonds previously issued for that purpose. The bill would specify that the association is a participating party and that financing all or any portion of the costs of claims or to increase liquidity and the claimspaying capacity of the association is a project for bond purposes. The bill would authorize the bank to loan the proceeds of issued bonds to the association and would authorize the association to enter into a loan agreement with the bank and to enter into a line of credit agreement or other agreement. (Based on 06/16/2025 text)		
AB 259	Blanca, D	Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences.	04/21/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	07/17/2025 - Senate 2 YEAR	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. Current law, until January 1, 2026, authorizes the legislative body of a local agency to use alternative teleconferencing if, during the teleconference meeting, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body participates in person from a singular physical location clearly identified on the agenda that is open to the public and situated within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction, and the legislative body complies with prescribed requirements. Current law requires a member		2/11/25 support letter filed and sent to the delegation and CSAC and RCRC. 6/10/2025 Support memo filed

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					to satisfy specified requirements to participate in a meeting remotely pursuant to these alternative teleconferencing provisions, including that specified circumstances apply. Current law establishes limits on the number of meetings a member may participate in solely by teleconference from a remote location pursuant to these alternative teleconferencing provisions, including prohibiting such participation for more than 2 meetings per year if the legislative body regularly meets once per month or less. This bill would extend the alternative teleconferencing procedures until January 1, 2030. (Based on 04/21/2025 text)		
AB 431		,	04/30/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	07/17/2025 - Senate 2 YEAR	The State Aeronautics Act governs various matters relative to aviation in the state, and authorizes the Department of Transportation to adopt, administer, and enforce rules and regulations for the administration of the act. Current law establishes the Advanced Air Mobility, Zero-Emission, and Electrification Aviation Advisory Panel to assess the feasibility and readiness of existing infrastructure to support a vertiport network to facilitate the development of advanced air mobility services, the development of a 3-year prioritized workplan for the state to advance advanced air mobility services, and pathways for promoting equity of access to advanced air mobility infrastructure, as specified. Current law requires the department, not later than January 1, 2025, to report to the Legislature on the infrastructure feasibility and readiness study and the 3-year prioritized workplan. This bill, the Advanced Air Mobility Infrastructure Act, would require the department to take certain actions related to advanced air mobility, as defined, including, among other things, developing a statewide plan, or updating the statewide aviation plan, to include vertiports, electric aviation charging, and the infrastructure needs of other advances in aviation technology, and designating a subject matter expert for advanced air mobility within the department, as specified. (Based on 04/30/2025 text)		5/12/25 -Letter to Asm Appropriations 6/24/2025 Support Memo filed

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AB 726	Ávila Farías, D	Planning and zoning: annual report: rehabilitated units.	08/29/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	08/29/2025 - Senate SECOND READING	The Planning and Zoning Law requires each county and each city to adopt a comprehensive, long-term general plan for the physical development of the county or city, and specified land outside its boundaries, that includes, among other specified mandatory elements, a housing element. That law requires the planning agency of a city or county to provide by April 1 of each year an annual report to, among other entities, the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation, formerly known as the Office of Planning and Research, and the Department of Housing and Community Development. Current law requires the annual report to include, among other things, the city's or county's progress in meeting its share of regional housing needs, as specified. This bill would permit a local agency to include in its annual report the number of units of existing deed-restricted affordable housing within a specified affordability threshold that are at least 15 years old and have been substantially rehabilitated with at least \$60,000 per unit in funds awarded from the city or county, as specified. The bill would prohibit any of the units included in the annual report from being considered when determining affordability requirements for the purposes of eligibility for streamlined approvals, as specified. (Based on 08/29/2025 text)	Support	4/14/25 Letter of Support submitted 7/8/2025 Memo filed to Sen Housing 7/8/2025 Memo to Sen Appropriations
AB 761	Addis, D	Monterey-Salinas Transit District: sales and special taxes.	04/30/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	07/10/2025 - Senate THIRD READING	Current law creates the Monterey-Salinas Transit District to include all of the County of Monterey, with specified powers and duties related to public transit service. Current law prohibits the district from imposing sales or special taxes, but authorizes the district, with the concurrence of a majority of the member jurisdictions represented on the board of directors, to submit a ballot measure for the imposition of those taxes to voters of the district. This bill would prohibit the submission of a measure for the imposition of a sales or special tax to the voters of the district under this authority on or after January 1, 2026. (Based on 04/30/2025 text)	Support	4/16/25 - Support letter submitted 6/10/2025 Memo filed Sen Transportation

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AB 928	Rogers, D	Roosters: restrictions.	06/02/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	07/17/2025 - Senate 2 YEAR	Current law prohibits a person from causing, permitting, or aiding or abetting the fighting, worrying, or injuring of a cock. Current law generally regulates the production of poultry, eggs, and egg products. This bill would prohibit, on and after January 1, 2027, a person from keeping more than 25 roosters that are movement constrained through the use of an enclosure or tether, except as specified. The bill would subject a person who violates this prohibition to a civil penalty not to exceed \$2,500 for each violation, as provided, and would provide that each day a rooster is kept in violation of that prohibition constitutes a distinct violation. The bill would define, among other terms, "rooster" and "enclosure" for purposes of these provisions. (Based on 06/02/2025 text)	Support	5/15/25 - Letter of Support filed and shared with delegation, CSAC and RCRC. 6/24/2025 Memo to Sen Agriculture, Sen Judiciary
AB 933	<u>Ávila</u> Farías, D	Organized residential camps: organized day camps.	02/19/2025 - Introduced <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	05/01/2025 - Assembly 2 YEAR	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	Oppose	4/14/25 Letter of opposition submitted and shared with delegates, RCRC and CSAC.

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					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)		
AB 946	<u>Bryan, D</u>	Chief probation officer: designee.	02/20/2025 - Introduced <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	05/08/2025 - Assembly 2 YEAR	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)		4/14/25 Letter of opposition submitted and shared with delegates, RCRC and CSAC.
AB 1014	Rogers, D	Traffic safety: speed limits.	04/08/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	07/08/2025 - Senate THIRD READING	Current law establishes various default speed limits for vehicles upon highways, as specified. Existing law requires the Department of Transportation, by regulation, to require speed limits to be rounded up or down to the nearest 5 miles per hour of the 85th percentile of free-flowing traffic. Current law authorizes a local authority to additionally lower the speed limit in specified circumstances, or retain the currently adopted speed limit in certain circumstances. This bill would authorize the department to additionally lower or retain the speed limit in those specified circumstances. (Based on 04/08/2025 text)		4/29/25 - Letter submitted and shared with CSAC and RCRC. 6/16/2025 Memo sent Sen transportation 6/27/2025 Memo sent Sen Appropriations
AB 1185	Hart, D	California Library Services, Equity in Opportunity Act.	02/21/2025 - Introduced <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	05/01/2025 - Assembly 2 YEAR	Would rename the California Library Services Act as the California Library Services, Equity in Opportunity Act, and would revise and recast the act to, among other things, state the intent of the Legislature to create access to opportunity for all Californians at public		3/11/25- Letter in Opposition submitted and sent to all cc's.

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					libraries, as provided. The bill would rename the California Library Services Board as the California Library Services, Equity in Opportunity Board and would reduce the size of the board to 11 members, appointed as provided. The bill would prescribe the duties of the state board to instead be to, among other things, advise the State Librarian on the adoption of rules, regulations, and general policies for the implementation of the act, as provided. The bill would require the State Librarian to ensure staff support for the state board. (Based on 02/21/2025 text)		
AB 1288	Addis, D	Registered environmental health specialists.	08/29/2025 - Amended <u>HTML PDF</u>	08/29/2025 - Senate SECOND READING	Existing 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. Existing 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. Existing law provides that only a person who meets those educational and experience requirements is eligible for admission to the environmental health specialist examination. Existing law prohibits an applicant who fails to pass the written examination twice from taking the examination additional times unless specified time periods have elapsed. Existing law prohibits a person from taking the examination more than once in a 2-year period. Existing law requires the department to maintain a current registry of all registered environmental health specialist trainees in the state. 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		3/11/25- Letter of Support submitted and sent to all cc's. 6/20/2025 - Memo filed - Sen Health 7/9/2025 Memo filed Sen Appropriations

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					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. The bill would require the department to make its registry of registered specialists and trainees publicly available on its internet website within 90 days of the administration of an exam. (Based on 08/29/2025 text)		
AB 1413		Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: groundwater adjudication.	07/17/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	08/25/2025 - Senate APPR. SUSPENSE FILE	The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act requires all groundwater basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the Department of Water Resources to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans, except as specified. Current law requires the department to periodically review the groundwater sustainability plans developed by groundwater sustainability agencies pursuant to the act to evaluate whether a plan conforms with specified laws and is likely to achieve the sustainability goal for the basin covered by the plan. Current law authorizes a groundwater sustainability agency that adopts a groundwater sustainability agency that adopts a groundwater sustainability plan to file a court action to determine the validity of the plan no sooner than 180 days following the adoption of the plan, as provided. Current law provides that actions by a groundwater sustainability agency are subject to judicial review, except as provided. This bill would instead authorize groundwater sustainability agencies to file those actions within 180 days following the adoption of the plan. The bill would also authorize, for any groundwater basin in which a comprehensive groundwater adjudication was filed prior to January 1, 2025, a party that has timely appeared in that adjudication to file an action on or before March 2, 2026, under specified circumstances. (Based on 07/17/2025 text)	Oppose Unless Amended	8/18/2024 Letter filed Sen Appropriations
<u>ABX1 1</u>	Gabriel, D	Budget Act of 2024.	01/10/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	01/09/2025 - Assembly BUDGET	Would amend the Budget Act of 2024 by making changes to existing appropriations, as	Support	12/5/24 letter of support to Governor Newsom, Senator

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					provided. This bill contains other related provisions. (Based on 01/10/2025 text)		Laird, Assembly Speaker Rivas Assemblymember Addis, Senator Scott Weiner, Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel, Senate Budget Committee, Assembly Budget Committee.
ABX1 2	<u>Gabriel, D</u>		01/10/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	01/09/2025 - Assembly BUDGET	Would amend the Budget Act of 2024 by making changes to existing appropriations, as provided. This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as a Budget Bill. (Based on 01/10/2025 text)	Support	12/5/24 general letter of support sent to Governor Newsom, Senator Laird, Assembly Speaker Rivas, Assemblymember Addis, Senator Scott Wiener, Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel, Senate Budget Committee, Assembly Budget Committee, CSAC and RCRC. 1/24/25 letter of support sent to Governor Newsom, Senator Laird, Assembly Speaker Rivas, Assemblymember Addis, Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel, Assembly Budget Committee, CSAC and RCRC.
SB 23	<u>Valladares,</u> <u>R</u>	Property taxation: exemption: disabled veteran homeowners.	03/05/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	03/12/2025 - Senate M. & V. A.	The California Constitution provides that all property is taxable, and requires that it be assessed at the same percentage of fair market value, unless otherwise provided by the California Constitution or federal law. The California Constitution and existing property tax law provide various exemptions from taxation, including, among others, a disabled veterans' exemption and a veterans' organization exemption. This bill would exempt from taxation, property owned by, and that constitutes the principal place of residence of, a veteran, the veteran's spouse, or the veteran and the veteran's spouse jointly, if the veteran is 100% disabled. The bill would provide an unmarried surviving spouse a property exemption in the same amount that they would have been entitled to if the veteran was alive and if certain conditions are met. The bill would require certain documentation to be provided to the county assessor to receive the exemption and would prohibit any other real	Support	2/11/25 support letter filed and sent to the delegation and CSAC and RCRC.

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					property tax exemption from being granted to the claimant if receiving the exemption provided by the provisions of this bill. (Based on 03/05/2025 text)		
SB 48	Gonzalez, D	Immigration enforcement: schoolsites: prohibitions on access and sharing information.		07/02/2025 - Assembly JUD.	Would prohibit school districts, county offices of education, or charter schools and their personnel, to the extent possible, from granting permission to an immigration authority to access the nonpublic areas of a schoolsite, producing a pupil for questioning by an immigration authority at a schoolsite, or consenting to a search of any kind of the nonpublic areas of a schoolsite by an immigration authority, unless the immigration authority presents a valid judicial warrant or court order. The bill would require a local educational agency and its personnel, when presented with a valid judicial warrant or court order to carry out the above-described actions, to (1) request valid identification and a written statement of purpose from the immigration authority and retain copies of those documents and (2), as early as possible, notify the designated local educational agency administrator of the request and advise the immigration authority that the local educational agency administrator is required to provide direction before access to the nonpublic areas of a schoolsite or pupil may be granted. The bill would require a local educational agency and its personnel, if an immigration authority does not present a valid judicial warrant or court order, to (1), as early as possible, notify the designated local educational agency administrator of the request, (2) deny the immigration authority access to the nonpublic areas of the schoolsite, and (3) make a reasonable effort to have the denial witnessed and documented. The bill would also prohibit a local educational agency and its personnel from disclosing or providing, in writing, verbally, or in any other manner, the education records of or any information about a pupil, pupil's family and household, school employee, or teacher to an immigration authority without a valid judicial warrant or court order directing the local educational		1/16 - Filed letter of support on portal (portal sent to author) and emailed cc's. 4/14/25 support memo filed and sent to delegation, CSAC and RCRC. 6/18/2025 Support memo filed Assembly -Education, Sent to cc's, CSAC and RCRC 7/7/2025 Support memo filed -Assembly Judiciary , cc's, CSAC, RCRC

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					agency or its personnel to do so. The bill would also require the Attorney General to publish model policies to assist K–12 schools in responding to immigration issues pursuant to the above-described requirements. By imposing additional duties on local educational agencies, the bill would impose a statemandated local program. (Based on 07/09/2025 text)		
SB 72	_		04/10/2025 - Amended <u>HTML PDF</u>	07/16/2025 - Assembly SECOND READING	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	Support	2/11/25 support letter filed and sent to the delegation and CSAC and RCRC. 4/22/25 support memorandum to senate appropriations filed. 6/20/2025 memo filed Asm Water, Parks & wildlife 7/11/2025 Memo filed Asm Appropriations

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					plan that could help achieve the water supply targets. (Based on 04/10/2025 text)		
SB 74	Seyarto, R	Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation: Infrastructure Gap-Fund Program.	04/07/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	07/02/2025 - Assembly APPR. SUSPENSE FILE	Current law establishes the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation in the Governor's office for the purpose of serving the Governor and the Governor's cabinet as staff for longrange planning and research and constituting the comprehensive state planning agency. Current law authorizes a local agency to finance infrastructure projects through various means, including by authorizing a city or county to establish an enhanced infrastructure financing district to finance public capital facilities or other specified projects of communitywide significance that provide significant benefits to the district or the surrounding community. This bill would require the office, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to establish the Infrastructure Gap-Fund Program to provide grants to local agencies for the development and construction of infrastructure projects, as defined, facing unforeseen costs after starting construction. The bill would authorize the office to provide funding for up to 20% of a project's additional projected cost, as defined, after the project has started construction, subject to specified conditions, including, among other things, that the local agency has allocated existing local tax revenue for at least 45% of the initially budgeted total cost of the infrastructure project. When applying to the program, the bill would require the local agency to demonstrate challenges with completing the project on time and on budget and how the infrastructure project helps meet state and local goals, as specified. (Based on 04/07/2025 text)		3/11/25- Letter of Support submitted and sent to all cc's. 4/14/25 support memo filed and sent to delegation, CSAC and RCRC. 6/10/25 Memo filed to ASM Local Gvt 6/10/2025 Memo filed Asm Appropriations
<u>SB 239</u>	Arreguín, D	Open meetings: teleconferencing: subsidiary body.	04/07/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	06/05/2025 - Senate 2 YEAR	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	Support	2/11/25 support letter filed and sent to the delegation and CSAC and RCRC. 4/14/25 support memo filed and sent to delegation, CSAC and RCRC.

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					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)		
SB 283	<u>Laird, D</u>	Energy storage systems.	07/17/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	08/21/2025 - Assembly THIRD READING	The California Building Standards Law establishes the California Building Standards Commission (building commission) within the Government Operations Agency and sets forth its powers and duties, including approval and adoption of building standards and codification of those standards into the California Building Standards Code. Current law requires the State Fire Marshal, before the next triennial edition of the California Building Standards Code adopted after January 1, 2025, to propose to the building commission updates to the fire standards relating to requirements for lithium-based battery systems, as provided. This bill would require the building commission		4/16/25 - Letter of support submitted and shared with delegation, RCRC and CSAC. 6/16/2025 - Memo of Support filed Asm U and E, LG and Appropriations, sent to CC's, RCRC and CSAC 7/24/2025 Support Memo filed Assembly Appropriations

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					and the Office of the State Fire Marshal to adopt provisions that are at least as protective as the most recently published edition of the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 855, Standard for the Installation of Stationary Energy Storage Systems, (NFPA 855 Standard) in the next update of the California Building Standards Code adopted after July 1, 2026. (Based on 07/17/2025 text)		
SB 296	Archuleta, D	Property taxation: exemption: disabled veteran homeowners.	07/03/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	07/15/2025 - Assembly REV. & TAX SUSPENSE FILE	The California Constitution provides that all property is taxable, and requires that it be assessed at the same percentage of fair market value, unless otherwise provided by the California Constitution or federal law. The California Constitution and existing property tax law provide various exemptions from taxation, including, among others, a disabled veterans' exemption and a veterans' organization exemption. This bill would exempt from taxation, as provided, property owned by, and that constitutes the principal place of residence of, a veteran, the veteran's spouse, or the veteran and the veteran's spouse jointly, if the veteran is blind in both eyes, has lost the use of 2 or more limbs, or is totally disabled, as defined, as a result of injury or disease incurred in military service. The bill would provide an unmarried surviving spouse a property exemption in the same amount that they would have been entitled to if the veteran was alive and if certain conditions are met. The bill would require certain documentation to be provided to the county assessor to receive the exemption and would prohibit any other real property tax exemption from being granted to the claimant if receiving the exemption provided by the provisions of this bill. (Based on 07/03/2025 text)	Support	3/11/25- Letter of Support submitted and sent to all cc's. 6/20/2025 Support Memo filed - Assembly Committee on Military and Veterans Affairs, Assembly Committee on Revenue and Taxation Assembly Appropriations Committee, cc's CSAC and RCRC
SB 346	<u>Durazo, D</u>	Local agencies: transient occupancy taxes: short-term rental facilitator.	07/07/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	08/29/2025 - Senate CONCURRENCE	Current law authorizes a local authority, by ordinance or resolution, to regulate the occupancy of a room or rooms, or other living space, in a hotel, inn, tourist home or house, motel, or other lodging for a period of less than 30 days. This bill would authorize a local agency, defined to mean a city, county, or city and county, to enact an ordinance to require a	Support	3/11/25- Letter of Support submitted and sent to all cc's. 6/18/2025 Support memo filed Assembly Local Govt, Judiciary, Sent to CC's, RCRC and CSAC

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					short-term rental facilitator, as defined, to report, in the form and manner prescribed by the local agency, the physical address, including 9-digit ZIP Code, of each short-term rental, as defined, during the reporting period. The bill would also authorize a local agency to request additional information, as provided, when the physical address is not sufficient for the local agency to identify a specific short-term rental. The bill would authorize the local agency to impose an administrative fine or penalty for failure to file the report, and would authorize the local agency to initiate an audit of a short-term rental facilitator, as described. The bill would require a short-term rental facilitator, in a jurisdiction that has adopted an ordinance, to include in the listing of a short-term rental any applicable local license number associated with the short-term rental and any transient occupancy tax certification issued by a local agency. (Based on 07/07/2025 text)		
SB 496	Hurtado, D	Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation: appeals advisory committee: exemptions.	04/07/2025 - Amended <u>HTML PDF</u>	05/23/2025 - Senate 2 YEAR	,		3/18/25 - letter submitted to Senate Environmental Quality Committee.

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					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)		
SB 577	Laird, D			08/20/2025 - Assembly SECOND READING	Current law requires that specified actions for recovery of damages suffered as a result of childhood sexual assault that occurred before January 1, 2024, be commenced within 22 years of the date the plaintiff attains the age of majority or within 5 years of the date the plaintiff discovers or reasonably should have discovered that psychological injury or illness occurring after the age of majority was caused by the sexual assault, whichever period expires later. Current law provides that there is no time limit for commencement of such actions for recovery of damages suffered as a result of childhood sexual assault which occurred on or after January 1, 2024. Actions subject to these time limits include actions for liability against any person or entity who owed a duty of care to the plaintiff and an action for liability against any person or entity for an intentional act that was the legal cause of the childhood sexual assault. Current law provides that in actions against entities for violation of a duty of care, the plaintiff must establish that the entity acted wrongfully or negligently. This bill would shorten the amount of time a victim of childhood sexual assault that occurred before January 1, 2024, would have to file a specified action to 22 years from the date the plaintiff attains the age of majority or within 3 years of the date the plaintiff discovers or reasonably should have discovered that	Support	4/14/25 Letter of Support submitted and shared with delegates, RCRC and CSAC. 7/3/25 Support Memo filed Assembly Judiciary, cc's, CSAC, RCRC 7/24/2025 Support Memo filed Assembly Appropriations

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					psychological injury or illness occurring after the age of majority was caused by the sexual assault, whichever period expires later. This bill would, for actions filed on or after April 15, 2025, against a public entity, or one of its employees or agents, by a plaintiff who is 40 years of age or older, increase the standard of liability to gross negligence. (Based on 07/09/2025 text)		
SB 599	<u>Caballero,</u> <u>D</u>	Atmospheric rivers: research: forecasting methods: experimental tools.	04/24/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	07/16/2025 - Assembly SECOND READING	Current law establishes the Atmospheric Rivers Research and Forecast Improvement Program: Enabling Climate Adaptation Through Forecast-Informed Reservoir Operations and Hazard Resiliency (AR/FIRO) Program in the Department of Water Resources. Current law requires the department to operate reservoirs in a manner that improves flood protection, and to reoperate flood control and water storage facilities to capture water generated by atmospheric rivers. This bill would, for novel forecasting methods researched, developed, and implemented by the department, require the department to include the use of experimental tools that produce seasonal and subseasonal atmospheric river forecasts, as defined. (Based on 04/24/2025 text)		4/14/25 Letter of Support submitted and shared with delegates, RCRC and CSAC. 6/18/2025 Support memo filed - Assembly - Water, Parks, and Wildlife, Cc's RCRC and CSAC 7/11/2025 Support memo filed Assembly Appropriations
SB 601	Allen, D	Water: waste discharge.	07/10/2025 - Amended <u>HTML</u> <u>PDF</u>	08/20/2025 - Assembly APPR. SUSPENSE FILE	The State Water Resources Control Board and the 9 California regional water quality control boards regulate water quality and prescribe waste discharge requirements in accordance with the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (act) and the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit program. Under the act, the State Water Resources Control Board is authorized to adopt water quality control plans for waters for which quality standards are required by the federal Clean Water Act, as specified, and that in the event of a conflict, those plans supersede regional water quality control plans for the same waters. This bill would authorize the state board to adopt water quality control plans for nexus waters, which the bill would define as all waters of the state that are not also navigable, except as specified. The bill would		4/14/25 Letter of opposition submitted and shared with delegates, RCRC and CSAC. 6/24/2025 Opposition Memo filed Assembly Judiciary and ESTM, Sent to cc's, and CSAC and RCRC 7/24/2025 Opposition Memo filed Assembly Appropriations

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					require any water quality standard that was submitted to, and approved by, or is awaiting approval by, the United States Environmental Protection Agency or the state board that applied to nexus waters as of May 24, 2023, to remain in effect, as provided. (Based on 07/10/2025 text)		

Chaptered Bills/ Position Changes

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AB 470	McKinnor, Tina S.	Telephone corporations: carriers of last resort.	Existing law grants the Public Utilities Commission authority over public utilities, such as telephone companies, to set reasonable rates and charges. It also required an investigation into definitions of universal service for telecommunications by 1995. Under this bill, the commission, with the Office of Emergency Services, must develop a process for telephone companies acting as carriers of last resort to be relieved of obligations in unpopulated census blocks and well-served areas. By December 15, 2026, the commission must create a map showing these well-served areas and include notice and challenge provisions in this process. Telephone corporations must meet specific requirements after their status is amended. The bill would also establish the Public Safety Agency Technology Upgrade Grant Fund for technology upgrades, funded by continuous appropriations and donations. Certain services and locations are exempt from the bill's provisions. Violations of the commission's actions related to the bill would be a crime, instituting a state-mandated local program. The bill specifies no reimbursement is necessary under this act, adhering to California's constitutional reimbursement mandates.	Oppose moved to Watch	4/14/25 oppose letter, 7/1/25 memo to remove opposition (no position)
SB 16	Blakespear, Catherine	Ending Street Homelessness Act.	Existing law requires counties and cities to create a comprehensive general plan, including a housing element that assesses housing needs and sets goals. This is regularly revised, with the Department of Housing and Community Development determining housing needs and councils allocating regional shares, including units for low-income households. This bill requires interim housing to count towards acutely low income needs until 2032, imposing additional responsibilities on local governments. The Homeless Housing Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) program provides one-time grants to tackle homelessness. A proposed bill introduces round 7 of HHAP, requiring eligible applicants to submit a "housing now action"	Oppose moved to Watch	4/11/25 submitted opposition comments to CSAC 4/15/25 oppose letter 5/12/25 memo to remove

			plan" and meet specific criteria. This plan is linked to additional funding opportunities and involves regional coordination to expand interim living spaces. The bill mandates compliance with new criteria and enacts an encampment resolution ordinance for funding allocation. Under California's property tax laws, a partial welfare exemption applies to properties used for religious, hospital, scientific, or charitable purposes. A proposed bill extends this exemption to interim housing for specified entities from 2026 to 2032. While typically local agencies receive state reimbursements for lost tax revenues, this bill does not provide for such reimbursement, implying increased duties for local tax officials.		opposition (no position) 5/14/25 support passing letter to senate appropriations
SB 694	Archuleta, Bob	Deceptive practices: service members and veterans.	The Consumers Legal Remedies Act prohibits certain unfair or deceptive practices in transactions involving the sale or lease of goods or services to consumers. This bill expands the definition of "public social services" to include all veterans benefits and redefines an "unreasonable fee" as one that exceeds what a VA-accredited attorney or agent could charge for federal veterans benefits. Additionally, existing law prevents the misuse of service members' Common Access Cards (CACs) in transactions. The bill extends these protections to prohibit anyone from accessing current or former service members' sensitive login credentials for U.S. government systems related to defense, veterans' affairs, or homeland security. It prohibits charging fees for services related to veterans' claims unless legally permissible, making such contracts void if they violate these rules, and designates violations as misdemeanors. Although the bill mandates new local crime prosecution activities, it declares no state reimbursement is required.	Support moved to Watch	8/14/25 support letter
SBX1-1	Wiener, Scott D.	Budget Act of 2024.	The Budget Act of 2024 made appropriations for the support of state government for the 2024–25 fiscal year. This bill would amend the Budget Act of 2024 by making changes to existing appropriations, as provided.	Support - Chaptered	2/3/25 signature request
SBX1-2	Wiener, Scott D.	Budget Act of 2024.	The Budget Act of 2024 made appropriations for the support of state government for the 2024–25 fiscal year. This bill would amend the Budget Act of 2024 by making changes to existing appropriations, as provided.	Support - Chaptered	1/24/25 letter supporting immigrant removal defense funding, and 2/3/25 signature request

Budget Items and Other Issues:

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MISCELLANEOUS		
San Lucas February 2025 Engineering Report	Comment letter from Board of Supervisors supporting Alternative 4 – Wellhead Treatment with New Well Drilling, specifically with Sub-Alternative B – Physical and/or Managerial Consolidation with Cal Water.	3/20/25 letter to the Division of Drinking Water
CPUC: Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Facilities Safety	Letter to CPUC to raise concerns about the safety and regulatory oversight of battery energy storage system (BESS) facilities in California.	5/7/25 letter to CPUC and cc'd to County State and Federal delegation.
AB 1439 Implementation Letter to CTCAC	Letter to CTCAC expressing support for the timely and effective implementation of AB 1439.	8/15/25 letter to CTCAC State Treasurer Fiona Ma and cc'd to County state delegation.
STATE BUDGET		
Budget Funding to Defend California Values.	County of Monterey Board of Supervisors letter supporting funding for any and all efforts to allocate state budget funding toward legal fees necessary to defend California against any threat from the incoming Trump Administration on immigration, abortion access, civil rights, and climate change.	12/5/24 letter to Governor Newsom, Senator Laird, Assembly Speaker Rivas Assemblymember Addis, Senator Scott Weiner, Assemblymember Jesse Gabriel, Senate Budget Committee, Assembly Budget Committee.
Budget Funding SB 72 (Caballero) California Water Plan Budget Request	County of Monterey Board of Supervisors letter supporting the Budget allocation of \$6.8 million in ongoing funds for 5 years, and \$3.4 million ongoing for the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to update and modernize the California Water Plan and develop long-term targets for the state's future water supply, in support of SB 72.	2/10/25 letter to Senators Weiner and Allen and Assemblymembers Gabriel and Bennett along with County delegation, CSAC and RCRC.
Budget CDPH: Future of Public Health & myCAvax	County of Monterey Board of Supervisors letter supporting the California State Association of Counties' (CSAC) request that the Legislature provide \$44 million ongoing in the General Fund for the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) California Vaccine Management System, also known as myCAvax.	3/12/25 letter to Senator Weber and Assemblymember Addis.
Budget CalWORKS	Letter from CAO of County of Monterey requesting support for a one-time investment of \$245 million for county administration of the CalWORKS program to address critical and persistent underfunding of the program.	4/7/25 letter sent to members of Senate and Assembly Budget Subcommittees on Health, with copies to County delegation, RCRC, CSAC, CWDA.
Budget In-Home Support Services (IHSS)	Letter from CAO of County of Monterey requesting that the budget methodology for county administration of the In-Home Support Services (IHSS) program be updated at the May Revision to address longstanding underfunding.	4/7/25 letter sent to members of Senate and Assembly Budget Subcommittees on Health, with copies to County delegation, RCRC, CSAC, CWDA.
Budget Support of 211 Services in the 2025-26 Budget	County of Monterey Board of Supervisors letter supporting \$20 million in one-time State General Funds to strengthen critical 211 services and access to essential resources for Californians in need.	5/13/25 letter to Governor Newsom, Senator Wiener, Senator Weber Pierson, Assemblymember Jackson, Assemblymember Gabriel, CSAC and RCRC.

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Budget 2025-26 Budget Priorities	Letter to Governor detailing County of Monterey's Fiscal Year (FY) 2025–26 budget priorities, and in response to the May Revision and the projected effects on programs and services, warrant the following appropriations and inclusion in the 2025 Budget Act	6/4/25 letter to Governor Newsom.
Budget CalFresh Budget Investments Needed to Mitigate Dire Impacts from H.R. 1	County of Monterey Board of Supervisors letter urging immediate action in response to the damaging federal changes enacted under House Resolution 1 (H.R. 1) to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, also known as CalFresh in California).	8/29/25 letter to Assembly and Senate Budget Committee Chairs and Vice Chairs.
CPF/CDS REQUESTS		
FY26 CPF Request City of Seaside: Fort Ord National Monument Access Improvement Project	The County of Monterey provided a letter to the City of Seaside, addressed to Congressman Panetta, in support of their FY26 Community Project Funding request for the Fort Ord National Monument Access Improvement Project.	3/7/25 Board letter sent to the City of Seaside.
FY26 CPF Request TAMC: SR 156-Castroville Blvd Interchange Project	The County of Monterey provided letters to the Transportation Agency for Monterey County (TAMC) to Senator Padilla, Senator Schiff, Congressman Panetta, and Congresswoman Lofgren, in support of their FY26 Community Project Funding request for the State Route 156 -Castroville Boulevard Interchange Project.	3/7/25 Board letters sent to TAMC.
FY26 CPF Requests County of Monterey Support Letters by Senator Laird	Secured support letters from Senator Laird for eight (8) FY26 federal Community Project Funding (CPF) requests submitted by the County of Monterey to Senator Schiff, Senator Padilla, Congressman Panetta, and Congresswoman Lofgren.	3/11/25 and 4/1/25 letters from Senator Laird to Senators Schiff and Padilla and Representatives Lofgren and Panetta
FY26 CPF Requests County of Monterey Support by Assemblymember Addis	Secured support letters from Assemblymember Addis for four (4) FY26 federal Community Project Funding (CPF) requests submitted by the County of Monterey to Senator Schiff, Senator Padilla, Congressman Panetta, and Congresswoman Lofgren.	3/21/25 letters from Assemblymember Addis to Senator Schiff, Senator Padilla, Congressman Panetta and Congresswoman Lofgren.
FEDERAL		
Federal Issue: Impacts of Office of Management and Budget Federal Funding Pause	The County of Monterey letter respectfully urges opposition to any efforts to pause federal funding as noted in the recent memorandum from the White House Office of Management and Budget (OMB) stating that "Federal agencies must temporarily pause all activities related to obligation or disbursement of all Federal financial assistance." Although the memo was rescinded efforts persist.	2/14/25 letter to Senators Padilla and Schiff and Representatives Panetta and Lofgren – copies provided to County delegation, CSAC, RCRC.
Federal Issue: 2025 Budget Coalition: Stabilizing Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) Funding	Due to anticipated shortfalls in federal funding levels to support VOCA, the County of Monterey signed onto a coalition letter to support the delivery and sustainability of critical victim services across 58 counties.	2/14/25 coalition letter of support to Pro Tem McGuire, Speaker Rivas, Chair Wiener, Chair Gabriel, Chair Richardson, and Chair Ramos