



## **AGENDA**

March 24, 2021

CITY COUNCIL  
LAW & REGULATION COMMITTEE MEETING  
4:00 p.m.  
Council Chambers  
311 Vernon Street  
Roseville, California  
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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. SILENT ROLL CALL**

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**5. MINUTES**

**6. REPORTS/COMMENTS/COMMITTEE/STAFF**

**6.1. Electric Department Priority Legislation - March 2021**

Memo from Utility Government Relations Administrator Amber Blixt and Electric Utility Director Michelle Bertolino with an overview of energy-related legislation and other activities that staff has been monitoring.

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**6.2. Environmental Utilities Priority Legislation - March 2021**

Memo from Utility Government Relations Administrator Marisa Tricas and Environmental Utilities Director Richard Plecker with an update on the Environmental Utilities Staff Report. This staff report provides updates to the Law and Regulation Committee on priorities outlined in the 2021 City of Roseville Legislative Platform. This includes state and federal legislative, regulatory, and other relevant activities being tracked by the Environmental Utilities Department.

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**6.3. Priority Legislation - March 2021**

Memo from Government Relations Administrator and Deputy City Manager Megan MacPherson Scheid with an update on the State Legislature. The State Legislature has introduced a full slate of bills since returning to the Capitol in January. The following report includes an overview of some of the key priority bills with a particular focus on public safety and homelessness.

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**7. ADJOURNMENT**



## CITY COUNCIL Law & Regulation Committee

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**Title:** Electric Department Priority Legislation - March 2021

**Contact:** Amber Blixt 916-774-5693 aablixt@roseville.ca.us

Meeting Date: 3/24/2021

Item #: 6.1.

### RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

Discuss and provide input on any state or federal legislation presented to the committee.

### BACKGROUND

Staff has been reviewing newly introduced legislation to determine potential impacts to the Electric Department. Below is a list of key bills and related issues that staff has been monitoring:

#### State Legislation:

**AB 433 (Chen) – California Wildfire Mitigation Financial Assistance Program: Electrical Utilities: Voluntary Contributions (Watch):** This bill requires each publicly owned utility to include as a part of the billing statement to its customers a line item allowing the customer to designate a voluntary contribution, in support of the California Wildfire Mitigation Financial Assistance Program. This bill establishes the Wildfire Mitigation Financial Assistance Fund in the State Treasury as a repository for money and other donations collected. A local publicly owned utility shall remit, on a monthly basis, the voluntary contributions collected to the state for deposit in the CA Wildfire Mitigation Financial Assistance Fund. The Energy Commission may conduct an audit of the local publicly owned electric utility regarding the voluntary contributions. These requirements would remain in effect until July 1, 2025. ***This bill places the responsibility of administering and collecting voluntary wildfire mitigation contributions on the electric utility without any funding or support to administer the program. In addition, there is no requirement that funds collected be used in the collecting agency's jurisdiction. The City is concerned that this bill will increase administrative costs to the Electric Department as well as staffing needs without any commensurate benefit. The City, working with our trade partners, will address the administrative and financial burden that this bill poses in the hopes of finding an alternate solution. The City will reassess our position on this bill pending the outcome of those discussions.***

**AB 847 (Quirk) Electrically Conductive Balloons (Watch):** This bill would require on or before September 1, 2022 the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety with the Office of Emergency Services to adopt regulations governing the sale or manufacture of celebratory

balloons constructed of electrically conductive material. The regulations shall require that these balloons pass a standard test without causing a fault at high-voltage electric distribution levels, which could cause an outage or ignition. After September 1, 2023, a business shall not sell or offer for sale and a manufacturer shall not manufacture for sale in this state, any celebratory balloon made of electrically conductive material unless it complies with the requirements of this bill. ***The City is watching to see how this bill is received by the state legislature this year as these new standards and regulations could be helpful in reducing the potential for electric outages caused by celebratory balloons.***

**AB 1161 (E. Garcia) – Electricity: eligible renewable energy and zero-carbon resources: state agencies: procurement (Oppose):** This bill requires the Department of Water Resources (DWR) to procure newly developed eligible energy resources and energy storage facilities in an amount that satisfies 100% of the electricity procured to serve all state agencies by December 31, 2030. These eligible renewable energy and storage resources need to be new and begin initial operation after January 1, 2023. The eligible resources must be located in state and interconnected in the front of the customer meter. This bill includes provisions to permit the assignment of the procurement obligation of any executed contracts to a central procurement entity if one is established by law. DWR shall invite load-serving entities and local publicly owned electric utilities to voluntarily subscribe to a portion of any procurement commitments made pursuant to this division. ***The City is opposed to this bill because AB 1161 puts the Department of Water Resources in charge of contracting to serve the energy needs of state agencies that otherwise would be served by publicly owned utilities. This creates regulatory uncertainty for utilities that are currently procuring into the future to meet their expected customer demand.***

**SB 437 (Wieckowski) - Local Publicly Owned Electric Utilities: Integrated Resource Planning: Transportation Electrification (Watch):** This bill would require that each publicly owned utility's updated integrated resource plan include details of the utility's electrical service rate design that supports transportation electrification. The rate design should apply across all transportation sectors to incentivize the purchase of zero-emission vehicles and provide utility customers the ability, through a cost calculator, to readily and accurately predict the cost of paying for electricity for these vehicles. ***The Electric Department has been active in customer education and outreach as well as providing rebates and incentives for zero-emission vehicles to our customers. Accordingly, the City is in the process of finding out more information regarding the specific rate design component and requirements of this bill. The City will update our position as more specific details become known.***

**SB 67 (Becker) – Clean Energy: California 24/7 Clean Energy Standard Program (Oppose):** The bill establishes the California 24/7 Clean Energy Standard Program, which would require that 85% of retail sales annually and at least 60% of retail sales within certain subperiods be served by eligible clean energy resources by December 31, 2030. Similarly, the bill requires 90% of retail sales annually and at least 75% of retail sales within certain subperiods to be supplied by eligible clean energy resources by December 31, 2035. The bill would require the Energy Commission to establish clean energy procurement requirements for each compliance period and subperiod for each local publicly owned electric utility. ***The City previously had a watch position on this bill; however, the bill has been amended to mandate new procurement requirements to meet certain conditions during specific subperiods of the day. Consequently, this bill adds an additional layer to energy resource procurement practices on top of what already exists. The Electric Department is concerned that this could lead to significant, unnecessary cost increases for our customers and***

***operationally may be very difficult to implement.***

**SB 556 (Dodd) – Utility Poles and Support Structures: Attachments (Oppose)** This bill revises the definition of a utility pole to include an electrical transmission tower. Existing law requires a local publicly owned utility to make appropriate space and capacity on utility poles and support structures for use by communication companies. This bill expands the definition of where communication companies can use utility infrastructure for their communication attachments. ***This City of Roseville has begun to receive complaints from residents about communication attachments on our utility poles. Accordingly, the City of Roseville opposes SB 556 as it could expand the availability of communications equipment on City infrastructure.***

### **Conclusion**

Staff will continue to actively advocate on key legislation this year along with its coalition partners. Staff will continue to keep the committee apprised of these important legislative proposals and request any direction as needed.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The costs of these activities are contained within the City's current budget.

### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT / JOBS CREATED**

The activities detailed in this report will not result in job development or creation.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) does not apply to activities that will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, or is otherwise not considered a project as defined by CEQA Statute §21065 and CEQA State Guidelines §15060(c)(3) and §15378.

The action of reviewing legislation meets the above criteria and is not subject to CEQA. No additional environmental review is required.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amber Blixt, Utility Government Relations Administrator

Michelle Bertolino, Electric Utility Director



## CITY COUNCIL Law & Regulation Committee

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File #: 0103-32-02

**Title:** Environmental Utilities Priority Legislation - March 2021

**Contact:** Marisa Tricas 916-774-5553 mtricas@roseville.ca.us

Meeting Date: 3/24/2021

Item #: 6.2.

### RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

This staff report provides updates to the Law and Regulation Committee on priorities outlined in the 2021 City of Roseville Legislative Platform. This includes state and federal legislative, regulatory, and other relevant activities being tracked by the Environmental Utilities Department (EU).

### BACKGROUND

#### General (Universal - Cross-Department Activities)

##### **State**

##### Legislation

The deadline for the introduction of new legislation was on February 19. EU has identified approximately 175 bills of interest. The City has taken an Oppose position on two bills, an Oppose Unless Amended Position on two bills, and a Support position on six bills. Staff continues to review and analyze about 30 bills to determine if they require direct engagement by the City as opposed to the various associations of which the City is a member, including the Water Utility Council of the California-Nevada Section of the American Water Works Association, California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA), Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA), California Municipal Utilities Association (CMUA), Sacramento Regional Water Authority (RWA), California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC), and the Solid Waste Industry Group (SWIG).

##### Regulation

##### **Implementation of SB 1383 Short-Lived Climate Pollutants**

In September 2016, Governor Brown signed into law SB 1383 establishing methane emissions reduction targets in a statewide effort to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants in various sectors of California's economy. SB 1383 establishes targets to achieve a 50 percent reduction in the level of the statewide disposal of organic waste from the 2014 level by 2020, and a 75 percent reduction by 2025. The law provides CalRecycle the regulatory authority required to achieve the organic waste disposal reduction targets and establishes an additional target that not less than 20 percent of edible food that is currently disposed of is recovered for human

consumption by 2025.

**Staff Comment:** *EU staff continues to work with industry associations like the California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA) and the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) who are in close communication with CalRecycle to understand these approved regulations and a path forward for implementation. Additionally, staff is closely watching this regulation from the biosolids perspective regarding organic waste disposal as Roseville was approved for beneficial reuse under the purview of the EPA, which has set up regulations defining biosolids and what they can be used for.*

## **Federal**

### Legislation

#### **H.R. 1319 (Yarmuth) American Rescue Plan - Funding for Water Assistance Program**

On March 10, 2021, the House passed H.R. 1319 - the next wave of federal COVID stimulus - as amended by the Senate on March 6. The President signed the bill to law on March 11. The legislation adds \$500 million to the existing \$638 million in funding for grants to states and tribes to assist low-income households to pay owners or operators of public water systems or treatment works for drinking water and wastewater services. In addition, the legislation includes:

- \$21.55 billion for rental assistance payments which can also be used for utility payments.
- A \$9.96 billion Homeowner Assistance Fund to prevent defaults and foreclosures.
- Funds could be used to reduce mortgage principal and assist homeowners with mortgage, insurance, tax, and utility payments.

**Staff Comment:** *EU is tracking the legislation as it contains several provisions that could provide the City and its residents with additional financial relief from effects of the pandemic. Additionally, EU staff is coordinating on this item to ensure all relevant city departments are aware of these potential funding opportunities.*

#### **The Climate Leadership and Environmental Action for our Nation's Future Act (CLEAN Future Act)**

In early March, the House Democrat members of the Committee on Energy and Commerce reintroduced the CLEAN Future Act of 2021. The yet-to-be-numbered legislation compiles various clean energy and climate proposals from the past year and includes new environmental justice (EJ) provisions. The legislation would establish ambitious climate goals, such as achieving net zero greenhouse gas emissions no later than 2050, and an interim goal of reducing emissions by 50% from 2005 levels by 2030. The bill provides \$565 billion in both sector-specific and economy-wide solutions to help reduce the nation's greenhouse gas emissions and increase use of renewable energies.

**Staff Comment:** *EU staff is reviewing the draft legislation and has initially identified the following key provisions in the bill that pertain to the Environmental Utilities (EU) Department. The proposed legislation would:*

- Require 40% of overall federal funding assistance to go to disadvantaged communities.
- Establish new "buy clean" standards for federally funded infrastructure projects.

### **Wastewater Division**

- Addresses product labelling including wet wipe packaging to include the statement 'Do Not

*Flush.'*

*- Allows existing projects to replace, expand, or establish a facility for the manufacture of clean energy systems including renewable energy technologies for wastewater treatment plants and agricultural applications.*

### **Water Division**

*- Increase and extend authorization of the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund by \$14.44 billion through 2031.*

*- Increase and extend the authorization of the Drinking Water System Resilience Funding Program by \$25 million through 2031.*

*- Establish a grant program, authorized at \$500 million per year from FY 2022-2030, under the Safe Drinking Water Act to help water utilities pay capital costs for the treatment of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).*

*- Authorize \$4.5 billion per year, for fiscal years 2022-2031, to replace lead service lines with a priority for replacing lines in disadvantaged and environmental justice communities.*

### **Waste Services Division**

*- Establish an EPA grant program to support community-level zero-waste initiatives: such as, organics recycling infrastructure, electronic waste recycling, source reduction, market development and the purchase of zero-emissions vehicles or recycling and composting collection.*

*- Establish an EPA grant program to encourage states to reduce the amount of waste that ends up in landfills.*

*- Establish new recycled product standards and producer responsibility systems.*

*- Establish new post-consumer recycled content standards for beverage containers and establish a national bottle deposit program.*

*- Mandate EPA to establish guidelines to standardize labeling for recycling and composting receptacles.*

*- Direct EPA to work with stakeholders to issue guidance standardizing recycling and composting collection on a community or state level basis. - Establish a task force to develop and propose recommendations on the design of a national extended producer responsibility system for products.*

*- Establish a Department of Energy (DOE) grant program to assist state and local governments in establishing or enhancing existing collection, recycling, reprocessing and proper disposal of battery programs.*

*- Establish various new grant programs in EPA for education and outreach.*

### **Wastewater/Recycled Water Division**

#### **State**

#### Legislation

#### **AB 377 (Rivas) Impaired Waters & Limitations on NPDES Permitting – (Oppose unless amended)**

This bill would prevent the state board or regional boards from issuing NPDES permits for discharges that would cause an exceedance of existing water quality standards.

**Staff Comment:** *The primary focus of this legislation is on traditional sources of pollution, such as a chemical company disposing of waste into the State's waterways. It is not clear the*

*extent to which the authors or the Coastkeeper Alliance supporting the legislation know how much the legislation could negatively affect water, wastewater, and stormwater utilities. To be sure, every major water-related association will be engaging on this legislation. Staff was also asked to comment on bill language requested by the California Association of Sanitation Agencies (CASA).*

#### **AB 818 (Bloom) Pre-Moistened Nonwoven Disposable Wipes – (Support)**

This bill prohibits the sale or advertisement of any disposable wipe product labeled as “flushable” or “sewer or septic safe.” Flushable wipes are made of material that does not break apart, causing blockages within wastewater systems. During the pandemic, the Wastewater Utility saw a drastic increase in use of non-flushable wipes and their impacts in the wastewater system.

**Staff Comment:** *Roseville’s 700 miles of collections system and treatment plant equipment requires intensive manual labor and resources to remove and clear flushable wipes. They tend to get caught in the system and then create disruptive blockages that cost the City’s ratepayers money.*

#### **Water Division**

*State*

##### Legislation

#### **AB 59 (Gabriel) Mitigation Fee Act: Fees Notices and Timelines - (Oppose)**

This measure would repeal the 120-day statute of limitations for legal challenges to new or increased connection fees or capacity charges currently in section 66022 of the Government Code. Under AB 59, the statute of limitations would begin to run once the agency actually charges the fee on the applicant for a new connection, meaning the agency could be sued years after adopting its fee structure.

**Staff Comment:** *AB 59 is a reintroduction of AB 3147 (Gabriel, 2020) and is reportedly sponsored by the housing industry. It is designed to benefit developers before, during, and after litigation against a public agency.*

*There are three aspects of the bill that impact our ability to adequately plan for future water supply needs and invest in our infrastructure:*

- Extending the statute of limitations for challenging connection fees or capacity charges.*
- Creates financial incentives for developers to bring lawsuits against agencies.*
- Places new limitations on data that a public agency can use to defend a protest or in defense of a lawsuit.*

*Because this measure has citywide impacts, Environmental Utilities staff is coordinating our response and efforts with the City Manager’s Office.*

#### **SB 323 (Caballero) Local Government: Legal Actions – (Support)**

This measure would authorize a local agency or interested person to bring a validation action in a superior court to determine the validity of a fee or charge for water and sewer services.

**Staff Comment:** *As seen with the introduction of AB 59, above, the fees and charges levied for*

*water and sewer service have been increasingly under attack. It is important for utilities to have fiscal stability and certainty so they can provide essential services and plan to meet the needs of residents today and into the future. This measure does not require an agency to validate their fees and charges but rather provides Roseville the ability to do so. As Roseville invests in maintaining our infrastructure and assuring Roseville has adequate supplies to meet the needs of future development and embark on large infrastructure projects like the Aquifer Storage and Recovery Program where we are acquiring debt, having stable revenue is important. SB 323 would provide agencies, like Environmental Utilities, with an opportunity to help prevent lawsuits that threaten the City's fiscal stability.*

#### **SB 427 (Eggman) Water Theft Enhanced Penalties – (Support)**

This measure would provide cities and counties the ability to increase fines and penalties for violations of an ordinance pertaining to water theft.

**Staff Comment:** *Current law sets the fine/penalty for water theft at \$100 for the first violation, \$200 for a second violation of the same ordinance within 12 months and \$500 for each additional violation of the same ordinance. This measure would increase the fines to \$1,000, \$2,000, and \$5,000 respectively. The current fine amounts are not enough to deter people from illegally connecting to a water system. Water agencies are not only losing revenue and face regulatory fines for not meeting conservation goals. In addition, illegally connecting to the water system has the potential to introduce contaminants into the water system. This measure is sponsored by the Elk Grove Water District and is being supported by the Regional Water Authority, Association of California Water Agencies and California Municipal Utilities Association.*

#### **Waste Services (Solid Waste) Division**

*State*

##### Legislation

#### **AB 318 (Levine) Hazardous Waste: Green Waste – (Review)**

This measure would exclude from classification as a hazardous waste, green waste that has not been contaminated by a chemical that the Department of Toxic Substances Control determines to be hazardous or toxic during the production, harvest, or processing stage. Additionally, this bill would require green waste to be disposed of in a permitted class I, II, or III disposal facility or at a compostable materials handling operation. This measure imposes a new state-mandated local program and creates a new crime for the disposal of green waste in violation of this new requirement.

**Staff Comment:** *Staff is working to determine the impact, if any, of these new requirements and to determine if there are any barriers to implementation. The California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC) has already identified this measure, and staff will work with CPSC and the Solid Waste Industry Group (SWIG) to determine if any amendments are needed.*

#### **AB 1086 (Aguilar-Curry) Organic Waste: Implementation Strategy – (Review)**

California has adopted many goals related to organic waste, but does not have a detailed implementation strategy that identifies specific measures needed to achieve the goals. This measure would require the Natural Resources Agency to prepare and submit to the Legislature,

by January 1, 2023, a report that provides a coordinated implementation strategy to achieve the state's organic waste, and related climate change and air quality, mandates, goals, and targets.

**Staff Comment:** *Staff's initial reaction to this legislation is supportive. Currently, there are numerous state departments, boards and commissions all working to address greenhouse gases, methane, and other short-lived climate pollutants. There is not a coordinated approach in achieving the State's goals. If this report can help to coordinate the State's efforts that could be very helpful. Additionally, with the report going to the Legislature we would have the opportunity to work with them on issues we have already identified where regulations adopted by different State Boards are in conflict.*

### **SB 289 (Newman) Recycling Household Batteries – (Support)**

This measure would add nickel metal hydride and lithium-ion batteries to the definition of household batteries for the purpose of allowing the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery to conduct a study on the disposal and recyclability of household batteries.

**Staff Comment:** *This measure is sponsored by the California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC) and is a positive step forward in determining how best to handle the disposal and recycling of the newer battery technologies. In our last legislative call, Roseville staff made the suggestion that they add additional language to capture future innovations in batteries so they do not need to continually amend the code to address new battery types.*

### FISCAL IMPACT

The costs of these activities are contained within the City's current budget.

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT / JOBS CREATED

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### ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

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Respectfully Submitted,

Marisa R. Tricas, Utility Government Relations Administrator

Richard D. Plecker, Environmental Utilities Director





## CITY COUNCIL Law & Regulation Committee

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**Title:** Priority Legislation - March 2021

**Contact:** Mark Wolinski 916-774-5179 mwolinski@roseville.ca.us

**Meeting Date:** 3/24/2021

**Item #:** 6.3.

### RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

Staff requests comments and input on any bills and or issues that are of particular importance to the committee.

### BACKGROUND

The Legislature continues to focus on addressing the state's homeless crisis by building on the efforts that have been undertaken by the state over the past two years. It is understood that homelessness is not just an issue for big cities, rather it is an issue that impacts communities of all sizes. Furthermore, homelessness doesn't just affect the people who are experiencing it, but it also matters to businesses, large and small, and has implications to all Californians. With more than 100,000 people living on the streets, the Legislature recognizes this is a serious problem that remains at the forefront of issues the state must continue to address.

The following bills relate to public safety and homelessness:

#### **Public Safety**

As part of the City's Government Relations Team, the Police Department is closely monitoring and tracking public safety legislation. There are currently 183 bills identified with a potential impact to law enforcement operations.

In coordination with our partners at California Police Officers Association, the California Police Chiefs Association, the Peace Officers Research Association of California, and the League of California Cities we're analyzing proposed legislation to measure those impacts and determine where we should focus our advocacy resources.

Although the 183 bills represent a significant number of sweeping changes to the hiring, operations, restrictions, and tactics of police work; there's considerably fewer bills impacting public safety in the 2021 legislative cycle, compared to the previous cycle.

The following three pieces of legislation have been identified as items of interest and are being tracked:

• **CAAB 89 (Jones-Sawyer) Peace officers: minimum qualifications (Watch)** - This bill would increase the minimum qualifying age for employment as a peace officer from 18 to 25 years of age. This bill would permit an individual under 25 years of age to qualify for employment as a peace officer if the individual has a bachelor's or advanced degree from an accredited college or university. The bill would specify that these requirements do not apply to individuals 18 to 24 years of age who are already employed as a peace officer as of the effective date of this act. *Staff comments: Existing law requires peace officers in this state to meet specified minimum standards, including age and education requirements. Recruitment for the best and brightest police officers is a dynamic challenge. Although we support the idea of professional development and standardized qualifications, raising the age and/or educational requirements to this level would likely amplify the challenge to recruit law enforcement professionals. The Department has taken a Watch position to better understand the implications the bill would have to the organization.*

• **SB 98 (McGuire) Public peace: media access (Watch)** - This bill would require that media, news service, online news service, newspaper, or radio or television station or network be allowed to enter specified closed areas and prohibits a peace officer or other law enforcement officer from intentionally assaulting, interfering with, or obstructing a duly authorized representative who is gathering, receiving, or processing information for communication to the public. Prohibits a duly authorized representative who is in a closed area from being cited for the failure to disperse, a violation of a curfew, or a violation of other specified laws. *Staff comments: Existing law authorizes peace officers to close an area where public health or safety is at risk. Officers can also close the immediate area surrounding a crime scene or an emergency field command post. Under California Penal Code section 409.5(d) the media has the right to enter certain closed areas in an effort to perform their function. Under certain circumstances, police officers can deny access to the media e.g. the interference with emergency crews or an active crime scene. This bill adjusts the reasons for denying access and puts additional burden on police officers to verify with supervisory officers if someone is detained who claims to be a member of the media. The Department has taken a Watch position to better understand the implications the bill would have to the organization.*

• **CA SB 387 (Portantino) Peace officers: certification, education, and recruitment (Support)** - Requires the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training to work with stakeholders from law enforcement, the University of California, the California State University, the California Community Colleges, and community organizations to develop a list of courses to include as requirements for obtaining a basic certificate. Requires an applicant for a basic certificate to complete those courses before obtaining the certificate. *Staff comments: Existing law requires the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training to establish a certification program for peace officers. Current law requires the commission to establish basic, intermediate, advanced, supervisory, management, and executive certificates for the purpose of fostering the education and experience necessary to perform general police service duties. Existing law also requires certificates to be awarded on the basis of a combination of training, education, experience, and other prerequisites, as determined by the commission. The Department has taken a Support position because we believe the proposed collaborative approach to amplify the profession of law enforcement will help to recruit and retain the best police officers.*

Staff will continue to analyze and track the proposed legislation in an effort to measure the impacts on the City of Roseville Police Department.

## Homelessness

Given the need to address homelessness in California the Legislature introduced more than 50 bills focused specifically on homelessness. The following are several bills that may have a noteworthy impact if they were signed into law:

• **AB 411 (Irwin) - Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Bond Act (Watch)** - This bill would enact the Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Bond Act of 2022 to authorize the issuance of bonds in an amount not to exceed \$600,000,000 to provide additional funding for the VHPA. The bill would provide for the handling and disposition of the funds in the same manner as the 2014 bond act. *Staff Comment: The City has taken a watch position on this bill to understand the full outcomes if the bond was passed and the types of resources, funding and programs it would provide to local governments and homeless service providers in our region.*

• **AB 816 (Caballero) - State and Local Agencies: Homelessness Plan (Watch)** - This bill would require the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to conduct, or contract with an entity to conduct, a statewide needs and gaps analysis to, among other things, identify state programs that provide housing or services to persons experiencing homelessness and create a financial model that will assess certain investment needs for the purpose of moving persons experiencing homelessness into permanent housing. *Staff Comments: The City has taken a watch position on this bill to understand what the state will do with this information, what new requirements the City might need to fulfill and what implications this might have on the City's efforts to address homelessness.*

• **SB 678 (Rubio) - Unaccompanied Women Experiencing Homelessness Act (Watch)** - This bill would require the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to assume additional responsibilities, including setting specific, measurable goals aimed at preventing and ending homelessness among unaccompanied women in the state and defining outcome measures and gathering data related to those goals. The bill would also require the council, in order to coordinate a spectrum of funding, policy, and practice efforts related to unaccompanied women experiencing homelessness, to coordinate with certain stakeholders and, to the extent that funding is made available, provide technical assistance and program development support. *Staff Comment: The City has taken a watch position on this bill to understand what programs and resources might become available to help women experiencing homelessness and how the City and its partners could access these new resources.*

## Other Areas of Interest

• **AB 339 (Lee) - State and Local Government: Open Meetings (Oppose)** – This bill would require all meetings of the Legislature and local governments, including gatherings using teleconference technology, to include an opportunity for all persons to attend via a call-in option or an internet-based service option that provides closed captioning services and requires both a call-in and an internet-based service option to be provided to the public. Requires all meetings to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on proposed legislation, and requires translation services to be provided, as specified. *Staff Comments: The City has taken an oppose position on this bill as it would be very costly to implement the new requirements for all City Council, board and commission meetings and public workshops and limit options for where meetings could be held in the event technology-intensive sites were unavailable if the bill was signed into law. The bill also creates other issues regarding translators and translation services during in-person and/or virtual meetings.*

• **SB 278 (Leyva) PERS: Disallowed Compensation: Benefit Adjustments (Oppose)** - The California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA) generally requires a public retirement system, as defined, to modify its plan or plans to comply with the act. PEPRA, among other things, establishes new defined benefit formulas and caps on pensionable compensation. This bill would establish new procedures under PERL for cases in which PERS determines that the benefits of a member or annuitant are, or would be, based on disallowed compensation that conflicts with PEPRA and other specified laws and thus impermissible under PERL. The bill would also apply these procedures retroactively to determinations made on or after January 1, 2017, if an appeal has been filed and the employee member, survivor, or beneficiary has not exhausted their administrative or legal remedies. At the threshold, after determining that compensation for an employee member reported by the state, school employer, or a contracting agency is disallowed, the bill would require the applicable employer to discontinue the reporting of the disallowed compensation. *Staff Comments: The City has taken an oppose position on this bill as it would require public agencies to directly pay retirees and/or their beneficiaries, disallowed retirement benefits using General Fund dollars. This change would eliminate any incentive CalPERS has to properly calculate benefit payments and would place 100 percent of the total liability for disallowed retirement benefits on public agencies—abdicating all responsibility previously held by CalPERS to ensure that retirement benefits are calculated and administered correctly.*

• **SB 341 (McGuire) Telecommunications Service: Outages (Support)** - This bill would require each provider of telecommunications service to maintain on its internet website a public outage map showing that provider's outages, and would require the office, in consultation with the Public Utilities Commission, on or before July 1, 2022, to adopt by regulation requirements for those maps, as specified. The bill would require the office to provide the commission with all of the information provided to it as part of a telecommunications service provider's community isolation outage notification and to aggregate that data and post that aggregated data on its internet website. *Staff Comments: The City is supporting this bill as it would require telecommunications providers to maintain public outage maps on their websites, which would increase transparency around the frequency of outages and where they are occurring. As California faces a nearly year-round fire season, bills such as this are essential to better protect communities in high-risk areas and promote the availability of critical information during an emergency.*

## **COVID-19 Recovery**

### **Coronavirus Relief Bill: American Rescue Plan**

Earlier this month, President Biden signed the \$1.9 trillion American Rescue Plan Act into law. The bill is focused on changing the course of the pandemic and bringing economic relief to families and all sectors of the economy. The measure includes about \$360 billion to help state, local, tribal, and territorial governments mitigate the fiscal impacts of the COVID-19 emergency. The following information relates specifically to state and local aid that is included in the bill.

### **State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds**

- \$195.3 billion for states and Washington, D.C.
- \$130.2 billion for local governments.
- \$20 billion for federally recognized tribal governments.
- \$4.5 billion for territories.

The measure sets 60-day deadlines to distribute most funds to state and local recipients. A

second tranche of funds would be distributed to localities 12 months after the initial allocation.

- The Treasury Department could also withhold up to half of a state or territory's allocation for as long as 12 months based on its unemployment rate and require an updated certification of its funding needs.
- States would have to distribute funds to smaller cities/towns within 30 days of receiving a payment from the department, with extensions permitted. A city/town could not receive more than 75% of its budget as of Jan. 27, 2020.

**Use of Funds:** State and local recipients could use the funds to cover costs incurred by Dec. 31, 2024, to:

- Respond to the COVID-19 emergency and address its negative economic impacts, including through aid to households, small businesses, nonprofits, and industries such as tourism and hospitality.
- Provide premium pay to essential employees or grants to their employers. Premium pay could not exceed \$13 per hour or \$25,000 per worker.
- Provide government services affected by a revenue reduction during the pandemic (relative to revenues collected by the local government in the most recent full fiscal year prior to the emergency).
- Make investments in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure.
- No funds can be used to deposit into pension funds or to offset revenue resulting from a tax cut.
- State and local recipients could transfer funds to private nonprofit groups, public benefit corporations involved in passenger or cargo transportation, and special-purpose units of state or local governments.

**Capital Projects:**

- The measure includes \$10 billion for the Treasury Department to make separate payments to states, territories, and tribal governments to fund capital projects to support work, education, and health monitoring, including remote options, in response to the COVID-19 emergency.

**Additional Local Aid:**

- The measure creates a \$2 billion "Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund" directing \$750M to eligible revenue sharing counties; and \$250M to eligible Tribes for any government purpose except lobbying, to be obligated in 2022 and 2023.
- This Fund is intended to assist counties that are reliant on the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) and Sure Rural Schools (SRS) programs, among other revenue sharing programs. The provision of funds will be based on economic conditions rather than historic payments.

There are other programs in the relief package that will provide additional help to state and local governments, residents and businesses in in our community and the region as well.

**Infrastructure**

With the passage of the American Rescue Plan Act, Congress will now begin working on the possibility of passing a massive infrastructure package. The administration has outlined a very aggressive spending in the "Build Back Better" plan. An infrastructure package has been hinted at over the past two years in Washington, but no action was ultimately taken by Congress.

However, there is wide-spread agreement that funding for infrastructure projects is a critical need throughout the nation. While the COVID-19 relief package was passed and signed into law halfway through the new administration's first 100 days, sending an infrastructure bill to the president's desk is expected to take many months to accomplish.

The comprehensive “Build Back Better” infrastructure plan is already taking shape in public committee hearings and conversations with members of Congress. Along with the infrastructure investment, the package could be much more expansive to include items such as water issues to broadband to the energy grid and more. At this time, it's not clear how those ideas might be brought together in a final bill, but staff will closely monitor the progress of the infrastructure discussions to understand the funding opportunities that would exist for Roseville if a bill is ultimately signed into law.

## **Conclusion**

Government relations staff is finalizing the development of advocacy strategies on priority legislation and other bills being tracked for departments city-wide. Staff is working closely with the City's state lobbyists and industry associations to ensure the City's interests and positions are supported effectively. Staff will continue to provide the L&R Committee with a comprehensive overview of the bills and regulations being tracked and the City's advocacy positions as the legislative session progresses.

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The costs of these activities are contained within the City's current budget.

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT / JOBS CREATED**

The activities detailed in this report will not result in job development or creation.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) does not apply to activities that will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, or is otherwise not considered a project as defined by CEQA Statute §21065 and CEQA State Guidelines §15060(c)(3) and §15378. The action of reviewing legislation meets the above criteria and is not subject to CEQA. No additional environmental review is required.

Respectfully Submitted,

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## **ATTACHMENTS:**

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## 1. CA AB 2

**Author:** [Fong \(R\)](#)

**Title:** [Regulations: Legislative Review: Regulatory Reform](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Accountability and Administrative Review Committee

**Code Section:** An act to amend Sections 11343.4 and 11349.3 of, and to add and repeal Chapter 3.6 (commencing with Section 11366) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of, the Government Code, relating to state government.

**Summary:** Requires the Office of Administrative Law to submit to each house of the Legislature for review a copy of each major regulation that it submits to the Secretary of State. Requires each state agency to review that agency's regulations, identify any regulations that are duplicative, overlapping, inconsistent, or out of date, to revise those identified regulations, and report to the Legislature and Governor.

**Digest:** This bill would require the office to submit to each house of the Legislature for review a copy of each major regulation that it submits to the Secretary of State. The bill would add another exception to those currently provided that specifies that a regulation does not become effective if the Legislature enacts a statute to override the regulation.

This bill would require each state agency to, on or before January 1, 2023, review that agency's regulations, identify any regulations that are duplicative, overlapping, inconsistent, or out of date, to revise those identified regulations, as provided, and report to the Legislature and Governor, as specified. The bill would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2024.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Status:** 01/11/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on ACCOUNTABILITY AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW.

**Department:** Building, CityAttorney, Clerk, DevelopmentSvcs, EconDevelop, Facilities, Finance, Fire, HR, Housing, IT, PD, PW, Parks, Planning, Transit

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 2. CA AB 17

**Author:** [Cooper \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Peace Officers: Disqualification from Employment](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Public Safety Committee

**Code Section:** [An act relating to employment, to amend Section 1029 of the Government Code, and to amend Sections 832.7, 13503, 13506, 13510, and 13510.1 of, to amend the heading of Article 2 \(commencing with Section 13510\) of Chapter 1 of Title 4 of Part 4 of, and to add Sections 13509.5, 13510.8 and 13510.9 to, the Penal Code, relating to peace officers.](#)

**Summary:** Disqualifies a person from being a peace officer if the person has been discharged from the military for committing an offense that would have been a felony if committed in the state or if the person has been certified as a peace officer and has had that certification revoked by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training.

**Digest:** This bill would disqualify a person from being a peace officer if the person has been discharged from the military for committing an offense that would have been a felony if committed in California or if the person has been certified as a peace officer and has had that certification revoked by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training.

This bill would include in the above exception investigations and proceedings by the commission.

This bill would grant the commission the authority to investigate and determine the fitness of a person to serve as a peace officer in the state and to audit any law enforcement agency that employs peace officers without cause and at any time. The bill would authorize the commission to suspend, revoke, or cancel a certificate issued to a peace officer because the person is ineligible to be a peace officer or because the person has been subject to a sustained termination for serious misconduct, as defined, on or after January 1, 2022. The bill would make each law enforcement agency responsible for investigation, findings, and actions by the agency on allegations of serious misconduct and would give the commission access to the agency files. The bill would require the commission to be notified of and to review a peace officer's file after 3 allegations of serious misconduct within 5 years.

The bill would establish the Peace Officer Standards Accountability Advisory Board, as specified, to make recommendations on the decertification of peace officers to the commission.

The bill would require every law enforcement agency to notify the commission when a peace officer employed by that agency separates from employment. When a peace officer resigns or retires with a pending complaint, charge, or investigation of serious misconduct, the bill would require the law enforcement agency to complete the investigation into the serious misconduct within 90 days and report to the commission whether the complaint of serious misconduct was sustained, not sustained, unfounded, frivolous, or exonerated. The bill would require the commission to refer the

files of peace officers whose termination for serious misconduct was sustained to the board to make a recommendation regarding the status of the officer's certificate and would require the commission to accept that recommendation or set forth the analysis and reasons for reaching a different result in writing.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Last Amend:** 01/12/2021

**Status:** 01/12/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY with author's amendments.  
01/12/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY.

**Department:** CityAttorney, HR, PD

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

### 3. CA AB 26

**Author:** [Holden \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Peace Officers: Use of Force](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Committee:** Assembly Public Safety Committee

**Hearing:** 03/23/2021 1:30 pm, State Capitol, Room 4202

**Code Section:** An act to amend Sections 1029 and 7286 of the Government Code, and to add Section 34 to the Penal Code, relating to peace officers.

**Summary:** Requires law enforcement use-of-force policies to require peace officers to immediately report potential excessive force, and to intercede when present and observing an officer using excessive force. Requires those policies to, among other things, prohibit retaliation against officers that report violations of law or regulation of another officer to a supervisor, and requires that an officer who fails to intercede be disciplined in the same manner as the officer who used excessive force.

**Digest:** This bill would require those law enforcement policies to require those officers to immediately report potential excessive force, and to intercede when present and observing an officer using excessive force, as defined. The bill would additionally require those policies to, among other things, prohibit retaliation against officers that report violations of law or regulation of another officer to a supervisor, as specified, and to require that an officer

who fails to intercede be disciplined in the same manner as the officer who used excessive force. By imposing additional duties on local agencies, this bill would create a state-mandated local program.

This bill would also disqualify a person from being a peace officer if they have been found by a law enforcement agency that employees them to have either used excessive force that resulted in great bodily injury or death or to have failed to intercede in that incident as required by a law enforcement agency's policies.

This bill would make a peace officer who is present and observes another peace officer using excessive force, and fails to report the use of excessive force to a superior officer, an accessory in any crime committed by the other officer during the use of excessive force. By creating a new crime, this bill would create a state-mandated local program.

This bill would provide that with regard to certain mandates no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020  
**Status:** 01/11/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY.  
**Department:** CityAttorney, HR, PD  
**Position:** Watch  
**Priority:** StatePriority

#### 4. CA AB 59

**Author:** [Gabriel \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Mitigation Fee Act: Fees: Notice and Timeliness](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** Assembly Local Government Committee  
**Code Section:** An act to amend Sections 66013, 66014, 66016, 66019, and 66020 of, and to repeal Section 66022 of, the Government Code, relating to land use.  
**Summary:** Relates to the Mitigation Fee Act. Increases, for fees and service charges and for fees for specified public facilities, the time for mailing the notice of the time and place of the meeting to at least 45 days before the meeting. Requires the local agency to make that information available to the public at least 30 days before the meeting.  
**Digest:** This bill would increase, for fees and service charges and for fees for specified public facilities, the time for mailing the notice of the time and place of the meeting to at least 45 days before the meeting. The bill would require the local agency to make that information available to the public at least 30 days before the meeting. The bill would require a local agency to additionally

make available to the public all of the data demonstrating the requisite relationship between the amount of a fee for public facilities and the need for the public facilities. The bill would require the data to also be made available to the public on the local agency's internet website. The bill would authorize interested parties to file an electronic request to receive the notice of the meeting time and place, and would require the local agency to mail or electronically send the notice as requested by the party. The bill would prohibit the legislative body of a local agency from establishing a reasonable annual charge for sending electronic notices. The bill would prohibit a local agency, when defending a protest or action filed for a fee or service charge, or for fees for specified public facilities, from using as evidence, or relying on in any way, data not made available to the public pursuant to these provisions. The bill would require revenues in excess of actual cost to be used to reimburse the payor of the fee or service charge.

This bill would also delete the provisions requiring a judicial action or proceeding to attack, review, set aside, void, or annul an ordinance within 120 days of the effective date of the ordinance or increase, as applicable. The bill would instead require a judicial action or proceeding to be conducted in accordance with other procedures that, among other things, require a protest to be filed within 90 days after the imposition of the fees and an action to attack, review, set aside, void, or annul the imposition of the fees to be filed within 180 days after delivery of a specified notice by the local agency.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020  
**Status:** 01/11/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on LOCAL GOVERNMENT and HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.  
**Department:** CityAttorney, Clerk, DevelopmentSvcs, EU, EconDevelop, Finance, Housing, PW, Parks, Planning  
**Position:** Oppose  
**Priority:** StatePriority

## 5. CA AB 61

**Author:** [Gabriel \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Business Pandemic Relief](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Governmental Organization Committee

**Code Section:** [An act to add Section 25750.5 to, to add Article 7 \(commencing with Section 23520\) to Chapter 3 of Division 9 of, and to add Article 6 \(commencing with Section 24100\) to Chapter 6 of Division 9 of, the Business and Professions Code, to add and repeal Section 65907 of the Government Code, to amend Sections 113980, 114069, and 114266 of the Health and Safety Code, and to amend Section 22358.4 of the Vehicle Code, relating to local government business pandemic relief.](#)

**Summary:** Authorizes the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to issue a third-party delivery license to a third-party delivery service for delivery to a consumer of alcoholic beverages from a licensee under the act who is authorized to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption off the licensed premises.

**Digest:** This bill would authorize the department to issue a third-party delivery license to a third-party delivery service for delivery to a consumer of alcoholic beverages from a licensee under the act who is authorized to sell alcoholic beverages for consumption off the licensed premises. The bill would require delivery by a third-party delivery licensee to be consistent with deliveries by licensees who are permitted by license privileges or by regulatory relief adopted by the department to sell off-sale and deliver those alcoholic beverages to consumers. Because the violation of a provision of a license is punishable as a misdemeanor and the bill would create a new category of license, the bill would expand the definition of a crime, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program.

The bill would authorize the department to adopt rules to establish procedures for the imposition of a reasonable condition, or the suspension of the operation and enforcement of a condition, in a license for a period not to exceed an unspecified number of days from the date of imposition or suspension. The bill would limit the purpose of such temporary license modification to specified and unspecified purposes.

The bill would require the department to adopt rules to extend certain temporary regulatory relief measures relating to expanded outdoor dining areas and outdoor to-go sales privileges. The bill would also require the department to adopt rules to remove a hard barrier requirement for outdoor alcohol service in order to streamline the creation of permanent outdoor dining areas in the public right-of-way. The bill would require these rules to operate for a period of 2 years following the expiration of local emergency declarations pursuant to the California Emergency Services Act relating to the COVID-19 pandemic.

This bill would, until January 1, 2024, prohibit a city, county, or city and county, from taking discretionary actions that would have the effect of delaying the final decision on an application for a parking zone variance or conditional use permit, including, but not limited to, a discretionary review, in connection with the outdoor expansion of a business to mitigate COVID-19 pandemic restrictions on indoor dining.

This bill would additionally exempt kitchens and outdoor coffee bars from these provisions.

This bill would exempt outdoor coffee bars from these provisions.

This bill would provide that a local authority may, by ordinance or resolution, determine and declare prima facie speed limits of 15 or 20 miles per hour in an area where outdoor dining has been authorized. This bill would provide that the ordinance or resolution is not effective until appropriate signage is erected, as specified.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Last Amend:** 02/16/2021

**Status:** 02/16/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION with author's amendments.  
02/16/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION.

**Department:** Building, COVID-19, CityAttorney, EconDevelop, Finance, Planning

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 6. CA AB 68

**Author:** [Salas \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Affordable Housing: California State Auditor's Report](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** no

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** ASSEMBLY

**Code Section:** An act relating to housing.

**Summary:** States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would implement recommendations made in the California State Auditor's Report 2020-108, issued on November 17, 2020, relating to affordable housing.

**Digest:** This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would implement recommendations made in the California State Auditor's Report 2020-108, issued on November 17, 2020, relating to affordable housing.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Status:** 12/07/2020 INTRODUCED.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, Planning

**Position:** Watch  
**Priority:** StatePriority

## 7. CA AB 71

**Author:** [Rivas \(D\)](#)  
**Coauthor:** [Bloom \(D\)](#), [Chiu \(D\)](#), [Wicks \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** Homelessness Funding: Bring California Home Act  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee  
**Code Section:** [An act to amend Section 23151 of, and to add Sections 17087.7 and 25110.1 to, the Revenue and Taxation Code, and to amend Sections 8255 and 8257 of, to add Sections 8257.1, 8257.2, 8258, and 14133.5 to, and to add Chapter 5.2 \(commencing with Section 13050\) to Part 3 of Division 9 of, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to ~~homelessness~~, homelessness, and making an appropriation therefor.](#)  
**Summary:** Makes various changes to the Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law and designates that any resulting revenue be used for purposes of the Bring California Home Act, as described.  
**Digest:** This bill, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2022, would include a taxpayer's global low-taxed income in their gross income for purposes of the Personal Income Tax Law, in modified conformity with the above-described federal provisions. The bill would exempt any standard, criterion, procedure, determination, rule, notice, or guideline established or issued by the Franchise Tax Board to implement its provisions from the rulemaking provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act.  
  
This bill, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2022, and with respect to taxpayers with taxable income under the Corporation Tax Law greater than \$5,000,000 for the taxable year, would increase these tax rates from 8.84% to 9.6%, or 10.84% to 11.6% for financial institutions, unless the minimum franchise tax is greater.  
  
This bill would require that a taxpayer that makes a water's-edge election under these provisions take into account 50% of the global low-taxed income and 40% of the repatriation income of its affiliated corporations, as those terms are defined. The bill would allow a taxpayer, for calendar year 2022 only, the opportunity to revoke a water's-edge election. The bill would prohibit the total of all business credits, as defined, from reducing the additional tax liability added by this bill's provisions by more than \$5,000,000, as provided. The bill would exempt any standard, criterion, procedure, determination, rule, notice, or guideline established or issued by

the Franchise Tax Board to implement its provisions from the rulemaking provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature that any revenue resulting from the above-described changes to the Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law be used for purposes of the Bring California Home Act, as described below.

This bill would delete the provisions relating to the appointment authority of the Governor and the Legislature, and would instead restructure the council, including requiring the council to be composed of prescribed individuals, including the directors of specified state agencies and departments, such as the State Department of Public Health. The bill would require the council to seek guidance from, and meet with, an advisory committee composed of specified individuals, including a survivor of gender-based violence who formerly experienced homelessness and a formerly homeless person who lives in California.

This bill would require the council, its technical services provider, or an entity with which the council contracts to identify, analyze, and collect various data in regards to homelessness in this state, including identifying state programs that provide housing or housing-based services to persons experiencing homelessness, as provided. The bill would require the council to report on this information to specified committees of the Legislature by July 31, 2022. The bill would require the council to seek technical assistance offered by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, if available, for purposes of conducting this statewide needs and gaps analysis. The bill would require a state department or agency with a member on the council to assist in data collection for the analysis by responding to data requests within 180 days, as specified.

The bill would require the council to convene a funder's workgroup, composed of specified individuals, including staff of the council and staff working for agencies or departments represented on the council, to accomplish prescribed goals, and would authorize that workgroup to invite philanthropic organizations focused on ending homelessness, reducing health disparities, ending domestic violence, or ensuring Californians do not exit foster care or incarceration to homelessness to participate in specific meetings. The bill would require the workgroup to perform specified duties, including collaborating with state agency staff to develop a universal application for developers, service providers, and other entities to apply to agencies and departments represented on the council for funding for homeless services and housing, and to coordinate state agencies and departments to reduce the risk of long-term homelessness by developing specific protocols and procedures that accomplish prescribed goals, such as assisting individuals reentering communities from jails and prisons with housing navigation, housing acquisition support, and obtaining permanent housing.

This bill would delete the exclusion for programs that fund emergency shelters from this definition of "state programs," thereby expanding the scope of programs required to incorporate core components of Housing First, as described above.

This bill would enact the Bring California Home Act, which would establish the Bring California Home Fund in the State Treasury and continuously appropriate moneys in that fund for the purpose of implementing that act. The bill would require the Controller to annually transfer specified amounts, determined as provided by the Franchise Tax Board based on the above-described changes made by this bill to the Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law, to the Bring California Home Fund. The bill would require the council and the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) to jointly administer the fund pursuant to a memorandum of understanding, as provided. The bill would require that recipients and subrecipients under the program ensure that any expenditure of moneys allocated to them serve the eligible population, unless otherwise expressly provided in the bill. The bill would define various terms for these purposes.

The bill would require the council to administer allocations to counties and continuums of care that apply jointly and to large cities, and would require HCD to administer allocations to developers, as provided. The bill would require HCD to allocate \$400,000,000 to developers and require the council to set aside \$200,000,000 for bonus awards, as provided. Of the remaining amount in the fund, the bill would require the council to allocate 60% to counties and continuums of care applying jointly and 40% to large cities, in accordance with a specified formula and subject to certain requirements. The bill would establish eligibility criteria for a county and continuum of care or a large city to receive an allocation under these provisions and specify the eligible uses for those moneys. The bill would exempt specified activities by a large city under the program relating to the development of a low barrier interim intervention, affordable housing project, or supportive housing project from the California Environmental Quality Act. The bill, upon the request of a jointly applying county and continuum of care, would require the State Department of Social Services to act as a fiscal agent for the county and continuum of care, as provided. The bill would require HCD to allocate moneys to developers in the same manner as deferred payment loans provided under the Multifamily Housing Program, subject to certain requirements, including a requirement that HCD ensure that at least 25% of the moneys allocated under these provisions be awarded to projects located in unincorporated areas and cities that are not large cities. The bill would require that any project that uses funds received under the program for the purposes specified in connection with the allocations made by HCD be allowed as a permitted use, within the zone in which the structure is located, and not be subject to a conditional use permit, discretionary permit, or any other discretionary review or approval.

The bill would require the council and HCD to allocate available funding in 2-year cycles, with the first round allocated no later than March 31, 2023, and

to develop a simple application that an eligible entity may use to apply for funding, as well as common standards for recipients to monitor, report, and ensure accountability, provide services, and subsidize housing. The bill would require the council and each recipient to establish performance outcomes for the initial cycle and to establish outcome goals before each subsequent grant cycle, as provided, and require the council to award bonus funding to a recipient, if the recipient has achieved those performance outcomes, or reduce or deny that bonus funding if the recipient has not achieved those performance outcomes.

The bill, except as otherwise provided, would require each recipient to contractually obligate 100% of the amount allocated to it within 3 years, for the first grant cycle, or 1 year, for each subsequent cycle, and to expend the entirety of that amount within 4 years, for the first grant cycle, or 2 years, for each subsequent cycle. If a county and continuum of care or a large city fails to comply with these deadlines, uses moneys allocated to it for an unauthorized purpose, or fails to apply for an allocation within the initial award cycle, the bill would require the council to either select an alternative entity to administer the recipient's allocation in accordance with specified requirements or solely establish performance outcomes and program priorities for that recipient jurisdiction and work with local, regional, or statewide entities to administer the allocation on behalf of the recipient. If a developer fails to comply with these deadlines, the bill would require that the moneys awarded to that recipient revert to the fund.

The bill would require each recipient to annually report to the council and HCD specified information relating to allocations made under these provisions. The bill would require the council to conduct regular monitoring and audits of the activities and outcomes of recipients that are joint county-continuum of care applicants or large cities. No later than January 1, 2024, and every 5th January 1 thereafter, the bill would require the council to evaluate the outcomes of this program and submit a report, containing specified information, to specified committees of the Legislature. The bill would require the council and HCD to each establish an advisory committee to inform state and local policies, practices, and programs with respect to the experiences of specified demographic groups experiencing homelessness.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Last Amend:** 01/12/2021

**Status:** 01/15/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Suspend Assembly Rule 96.

Re-referred to ASSEMBLY Committees on REVENUE AND  
01/15/2021 TAXATION and HOUSING AND COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Finance, Housing, PAC, PD, Parks

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Homelessness

## 8. CA AB 80

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| <b>Title:</b>            | Tax: Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Fiscal Committee:</b> | yes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Urgency Clause:</b>   | yes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Disposition:</b>      | Pending                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Committee:</b>        | Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Hearing:</b>          | 03/15/2021 10:00 am, Senate Chamber                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Code Section:</b>     | <a href="#">An act to amend Sections 789.4, 1942.5, and 3273.1 of, to add Sections 1785.20.4, 1788.66, and 1942.9 to, and to add and repeal Section 1788.65 of, the Civil Code, to amend Sections 116.223, 1161.2, 1161.2.5, 1179.01, 1179.02, 1179.03, 1179.03.5, 1179.04, 1179.05, and 1179.07 of, to amend the heading of Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 1179.01) of Title 3 of Part 3 of, to add Section 1179.04.5 to, and to add and repeal Chapter 11 (commencing with Section 871.10) of Title 10 of Part of, the Code of Civil Procedure, to amend Section 925.6 of the Government Code, and to add Chapter 17 (commencing with Section 50897) to Part 2 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to tenancy, and making an appropriation therefor, to take effect immediately, bill related to the budget. An act to amend Sections 17131.8 and 24308.6 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to taxation, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Summary:</b>          | Excludes, on or after a certain date, from gross income any advance grant amount, as defined, issued pursuant to specified provisions of the CARES Act or the Consolidated Appropriations Act, and covered loan amounts forgiven pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act. Adopts the provisions of the Consolidated Appropriations Act prohibiting any reduction in tax deductions, denials of basis adjustments, and reductions in tax attributes based on the exclusion from gross income, as specified.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Digest:</b>           | This bill would exclude, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2019, from gross income any advance grant amount, as defined, issued pursuant to specified provisions of the CARES Act or the Consolidated                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

Appropriations Act, 2021, and covered loan amounts forgiven pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021.

This bill would adopt, except as provided, the provisions of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, prohibiting any reduction in tax deductions, denials of basis adjustments, and reductions in tax attributes based on the exclusion from gross income provided for any loan amount forgiven in modified conformity with the federal CARES Act and its subsequent amendments.

This bill would provide findings to comply with the additional information requirement for any bill authorizing a new tax expenditure.

This bill would also make findings and declarations related to a gift of public funds.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Last Amend:** 02/17/2021

**Status:** 03/15/2021 **In SENATE Committee on BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW:  
Not heard.**

**Department:** Budget, COVID-19, CityAttorney, Housing, PAC

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 9. CA AB 89

**Author:** [Jones-Sawyer \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor** [Wicks \(D\)](#), [Lee \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Peace Officers: Minimum Qualifications](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** no

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Public Safety Committee

**Code Section:** An act to amend Section 1031 of the Government Code, relating to peace officers.

**Summary:** Increases minimum qualifying age to become a peace officer. Permits an individual under a specified age to qualify for employment as a peace officer if the individual has a bachelor's or advanced degree from an accredited college or university. Specifies that these requirements do not apply to individuals of a certain age who are already employed as a peace officer as of the effective date of this act.

**Digest:** This bill would increase the minimum qualifying age from 18 to 25 years of age. This bill would permit an individual under 25 years of age to qualify for

employment as a peace officer if the individual has a bachelor's or advanced degree from an accredited college or university. The bill would specify that these requirements do not apply to individuals 18 to 24 years of age who are already employed as a peace officer as of the effective date of this act. The bill would provide legislative findings in support of the measure.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Last Amend:** 02/17/2021

**Status:** 02/17/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY with author's amendments.

02/17/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY.

**Department:** CityAttorney, HR, PD

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 10. CA AB 115

**Author:** [Bloom \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Planning and Zoning: Housing Development](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee

**Code Section:** An act to add and repeal Section 65583.7 of the Government Code, relating to land use.

**Summary:** Requires that a housing development be an authorized use on a site designated in any local agency's zoning code or maps for commercial uses if certain conditions apply. Provides that among these conditions, the bill would require that the housing development be subject to a recorded deed restriction requiring that at least 20% of the units have an affordable housing cost or affordable rent for lower income households, as those terms are defined, and located on a site that satisfies specified criteria.

**Digest:** This bill, notwithstanding any inconsistent provision of a city's or county's general plan, specific plan, zoning ordinance, or regulation, would require that a housing development be an authorized use on a site designated in any local agency's zoning code or maps for commercial uses if certain conditions apply. Among these conditions, the bill would require that the housing development be subject to a recorded deed restriction requiring that at least 20% of the units have an affordable housing cost or affordable rent for lower income households, as those terms are defined, and located on a site that satisfies specified criteria.

The bill would require the city or county to apply certain height, density, and floor area ratio standards to a housing development that meets these

criteria. The bill would deem a housing development consistent, compliant, and in conformity with local development standards, zoning codes or maps, and general plan if it meets the requirements of the bill. The bill would require a jurisdiction to comply with these requirements only until it has completed the rezoning, required as described above, for the 6th revision of its housing element. The bill would repeal these provisions as of January 1, 2031.

The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 12/18/2020

**Status:** 01/11/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT and LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, Planning

**Position:** Oppose

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Housing

## 11. CA AB 215

**Author:** [Chiu \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Housing Element](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee

**Code Section:** An act to amend Section 65585 of the Government Code, relating to housing.

**Summary:** Adds the Housing Crisis Act of 2019 to specified provisions of the Planning and Zoning Law.

**Digest:** This bill would add the Housing Crisis Act of 2019 to those specified provisions of law.

**Introduced:** 01/11/2021

**Status:** 01/28/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, Planning

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Housing

## 12. CA AB 303

**Author:** [Rivas R \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Aquaculture: Mariculture](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Committee:** Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee  
**Hearing:** 04/08/2021 2:30 pm, State Capitol, Room 4202  
**Code Section:** An act to add Sections 831 and 832 to the Public Resources Code, relating to aquaculture.  
**Summary:** Requires Department of Fish and Wildlife to consider, and, if appropriate, investigate whether and how to seek state verification authority from the United States Army Corps of Engineers to streamline the review and approval of federal permits issued by the United States Army Corps of Engineers that may be required by a mariculture project intending to operate in this state.  
**Digest:** This bill would require the department to consider, and, if appropriate, investigate whether and how to seek state verification authority from the United States Army Corps of Engineers to streamline the review and approval of federal permits issued by the United States Army Corps of Engineers that may be required by a mariculture project intending to operate in this state. The bill would define "mariculture" for purposes of this provision.  
**Introduced:** 01/25/2021  
**Status:** 02/12/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.  
**Department:** CityAttorney, DevelopmentSvcs  
**Position:** Watch  
**Priority:** StatePriority

## 13. CA AB 318

**Author:** [Levine \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Hazardous Waste: Classification: Exclusion: Green Waste](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Committee:** Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee

**Hearing:** 04/07/2021 9:00 am, State Capitol, Room 4202

**Code Section:** An act to add Section 25141.4 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to hazardous waste.

**Summary:** Excludes from classification as a hazardous waste green waste, as defined, that has not been contaminated by a chemical that the Department of Toxic Substances Control determines is hazardous or toxic during the production, harvest, or processing stage. Requires that green waste to be disposed of in a permitted class I, II, or III disposal unit or in a compostable materials handling operation.

**Digest:** This bill would exclude from classification as a hazardous waste green waste, as defined, that has not been contaminated by a chemical that the department determines is hazardous or toxic during the production, harvest, or processing stage. The bill would require that green waste to be disposed of in a permitted class I, II, or III disposal unit or in a compostable materials handling operation, as defined. Because disposal of green waste in violation of this requirement would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 01/26/2021

**Last Amend:** 03/09/2021

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**Department:** EU

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 14. CA AB 325

**Author:** [Irwin \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Veterans: Discharge Upgrades](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Military and Veterans Affairs Committee

**Code Section:** An act to add Section 885 to the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans.

**Summary:** Requires the Department of Veterans Affairs to establish the Veterans Military Discharge Upgrade Grant Program to help fund service providers

who will educate veterans about discharge upgrades and assist veterans in filing discharge upgrade applications, as specified.

**Digest:** This bill would, subject to an appropriation by the Legislature, require the department to establish the Veteran's Military Discharge Upgrade Grant Program to help fund service providers who will educate veterans about discharge upgrades and assist veterans in filing discharge upgrade applications, as specified.

**Introduced:** 01/26/2021

**Status:** 02/12/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS.

**Department:** Housing, PAC, PD

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 15. CA AB 339

**Author:** [Lee \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor:** [Garcia \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [State and Local Government: Open Meetings](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** ASSEMBLY

**Code Section:** An act to amend Sections 9027, 54953, 54954.2, 54954.3, 11122.5, 11123, 11125.7 of, and to add Sections 9027.1 and 9028.1 to, the Government Code, relating to state and local government.

**Summary:** Requires all meetings of the Legislature, including gatherings using teleconference technology, to include an opportunity for all persons to attend via a call-in option or an internet-based service option that provides closed captioning services and requires both a call-in and an internet-based service option to be provided to the public. Requires all meetings to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on proposed legislation, and requires translation services to be provided, as specified.

**Digest:** This bill would require all meetings, including gatherings using teleconference technology, to include an opportunity for all persons to attend via a call-in option or an internet-based service option that provides closed captioning services and requires both a call-in and an internet-based service option to be provided to the public. The bill would require all meetings to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on proposed legislation, as provided, and requires translation services to be provided for the 10 most-spoken languages, other than English, in California, and would require those persons commenting in a language other than English to have double the amount of time as those giving a comment in English, if time restrictions on public comment are utilized, except as specified. The bill would require

instructions on how to attend the meeting to be posted at the time notice of the meeting is publicized, as specified.

This bill would require all meetings to include an opportunity for all persons to attend via a call-in option or an internet-based service option that provides closed captioning services and requires both a call-in and an internet-based service option to be provided to the public. The bill would require, even in the case of a declared state or local emergency, teleconferenced meetings to include an in-person public comment opportunity. The bill would require all meetings to provide the public with an opportunity to address the legislative body remotely via call-in or internet-based service, as provided, and would require instructions on how to attend the meeting to be posted at the time notice of the meeting is publicized, as specified. The bill would also require the legislative bodies of the local agency to employ a sufficient amount of qualified bilingual persons to provide translation during the meeting in the language of a non-English-speaking person, in jurisdictions which govern a substantial number of non-English-speaking people, as defined.

This bill would require all meetings, as defined, to include an opportunity for all persons to attend via a call-in option or an internet-based service option that provides closed captioning services and requires both a call-in and an internet-based service option to be provided to the public. The bill would require instructions on how to attend the meeting via call-in or internet-based service to be posted online along with the meeting agenda in an easily accessible location at least 72 hours before all regular meetings and at least 24 hours before all special meetings. The bill would require all meetings to provide the public with an opportunity to address the legislative body remotely via call-in or internet-based service, as provided, and would require those persons commenting in a language other than English to have double the amount of time as those giving a comment in English, if time restrictions on public comment are utilized, except as specified.

This bill would require legislative bodies of local agencies, and state bodies, as defined, to translate agendas and instructions for accessing the meeting to be translated into all languages for which 5% of the population in the area governed by the local agency, or state body's jurisdiction, are speakers.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.

**Introduced:** 01/28/2021  
**Status:** 01/28/2021 INTRODUCED.  
**Department:** CityAttorney, Clerk, PAC  
**Position:** Oppose  
**Priority:** StatePriority

## 16. CA AB 343

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| <b>Author:</b>           | <a href="#">Fong (R)</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Title:</b>            | California Public Records Act Ombudsperson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Fiscal Committee:</b> | yes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Urgency Clause:</b>   | no                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Disposition:</b>      | Pending                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Location:</b>         | Assembly Accountability and Administrative Review Committee                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Code Section:</b>     | An act to add Article 5 (commencing with Section 8549) to Chapter 6.5 of Division 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code, relating to public records, and making an appropriation therefor.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Summary:</b>          | Establishes, within the California State Auditor's Office, the California Public Records Act Ombudsperson. Requires the California State Auditor to appoint the Ombudsperson subject to certain requirements. Requires the Ombudsperson to receive and investigate requests for review, determine whether the denials of original requests complied with the California Public Records Act, and issue written opinions of its determination.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Digest:</b>           | This bill would establish, within the California State Auditor's Office, the California Public Records Act Ombudsperson. The bill would require the California State Auditor to appoint the ombudsperson subject to certain requirements. The bill would require the ombudsperson to receive and investigate requests for review, as defined, determine whether the denials of original requests, as defined, complied with the California Public Records Act, and issue written opinions of its determination, as provided. The bill would require the ombudsperson to create a process to that effect, and would authorize a member of the public to submit a request for review to the ombudsperson consistent with that process. The bill would require the ombudsperson, within 30 days from receipt of a request for review, to make a determination, as provided, and would require the ombudsperson to require the state agency to provide the public record if the ombudsperson determines that it was improperly denied. The bill would authorize the ombudsperson to require any state agency determined to have improperly denied a request to reimburse the ombudsperson for its costs to investigate the request for review. The bill would require the ombudsperson to report to the Legislature, on or before January 1, 2022, and annually thereafter, on, among other things, the number of requests for review the ombudsperson has received in the prior year. |
| <b>Introduced:</b>       | 01/28/2021                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Status:</b>           | 02/12/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on ACCOUNTABILITY AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW and JUDICIARY.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Department:</b>       | CityAttorney, Clerk, PAC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Position:</b>         | Watch                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Priority:</b>         | StatePriority                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

## 17. CA AB 361

**Author:** [Rivas R \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Open Meetings: Local Agencies: Teleconferences](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** no

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Local Government Committee

**Code Section:** An act to amend Section 54953 of the Government Code, relating to local government.

**Summary:** Authorizes a local agency to use teleconferencing without complying with the teleconferencing requirements imposed by the Ralph M. Brown Act when a legislative body of a local agency holds a meeting for the purpose of declaring or ratifying a local emergency, during a declared state or local emergency, when state or local health officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, and during a declared local emergency.

**Digest:** This bill would authorize a local agency to use teleconferencing without complying with the teleconferencing requirements imposed by the Ralph M. Brown Act when a legislative body of a local agency holds a meeting for the purpose of declaring or ratifying a local emergency, during a declared state or local emergency, as those terms are defined, when state or local health officials have imposed or recommended measures to promote social distancing, and during a declared local emergency provided the legislative body makes certain determinations by majority vote. The bill would require legislative bodies that hold teleconferenced meetings under these abbreviated teleconferencing procedures to give notice of the meeting and post agendas, as described, to allow members of the public to access the meeting and address the legislative body, to give notice of the means by which members of the public may access the meeting and offer public comment, as provided, to conduct the meeting in a manner that protects the statutory and constitutional rights of the parties and the public appearing before the legislative body.

This bill would declare the Legislature's intent, consistent with the Governor's Executive Order No. N-29-20, to improve and enhance public access to local agency meetings during the COVID-19 pandemic and future emergencies by allowing broader access through teleconferencing options.

This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.

**Introduced:** 02/01/2021

**Status:** 02/12/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Clerk

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 18. CA AB 377

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| <b>Author:</b>           | <a href="#">Rivas R (D)</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Coauthor</b>          | <a href="#">Lee (D), Hertzberg (D)</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Title:</b>            | <a href="#">Water Quality: Impaired Waters</a>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Fiscal Committee:</b> | yes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Urgency Clause:</b>   | no                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Disposition:</b>      | Pending                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Location:</b>         | Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Code Section:</b>     | An act to add <a href="#">Chapter Article</a> 3.5 (commencing with Section 13150) to Chapter 3 of Division 7 of the Water Code, relating to water quality.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Summary:</b>          | Requires all California surface waters to be fishable, swimmable, and drinkable by a specified date. Prohibits the state board and regional boards from authorizing an NPDES discharge, waste discharge requirement, or waiver of a waste discharge requirement that causes or contributes to an exceedance of a water quality standard, or from authorizing a best management practice permit term to authorize a discharge that causes or contributes to an exceedance of a water quality standard, as specified.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Digest:</b>           | <p>This bill would require all California surface waters to be fishable, swimmable, and drinkable by January 1, 2050, as prescribed. The bill would prohibit the state board and regional boards from authorizing an NPDES discharge, or a waste discharge requirement or waiver of a waste discharge requirement for a discharge, to surface water that causes or contributes to an exceedance of an applicable water quality standard in receiving waters, or from authorizing a best management practice permit term to authorize a discharge to surface water that causes or contributes to an exceedance of an applicable water quality standard in receiving waters. The bill would prohibit, on or after January 1, 2030, a regional water quality control plan from including a schedule for implementation for achieving a water quality standard that was adopted as of January 1, 2021, and would prohibit a regional water quality control plan from including a schedule for implementation of a water quality standard that is adopted after January 1, 2021, unless specified conditions are met. The bill would prohibit an NPDES permit, waste discharge requirement, or waiver of a waste discharge requirement from being renewed, reissued, or modified to contain effluent limitations or conditions that are less stringent than those in the previous permit, requirement, or waiver, except as specified.</p> <p>This bill would require, by January 1, 2030, the state board and regional boards to develop an Impaired Waterways Enforcement Program to enforce all remaining water quality standard violations that are causing or contributing to an exceedance of a water quality standard. To ensure any water segments impaired by ongoing pollutants are brought into attainment with water quality standards, the bill would require the state board and regional boards, by January 1, 2040, to evaluate the state's remaining impaired waters using a specified report. The bill would require, by January</p> |

1, 2040, the state board and regional boards to report to the Legislature a plan to bring the final impaired water segments into attainment by January 1, 2050. The bill would create the Waterway Attainment Account in the Waste Discharge Permit Fund and would make moneys in the Waterway Attainment Account available for the state board to expend, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to bring remaining impaired water segments into attainment in accordance with the plan. The bill would create in the Waterway Attainment Account the Waterway Attainment Penalty Subaccount, composed of penalties obtained pursuant to the Impaired Waterways Enforcement Program, and would make moneys in the subaccount available for the state board to expend, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for purposes of the program. The bill would require, by January 1, 2040, and subject to a future legislative act, 50% of the annual proceeds of the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account to be annually transferred to the Waterway Attainment Account. The bill would require the state board, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to expend 5% of the annual proceeds of the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account to fund a specified state board program.

**Introduced:** 02/01/2021

**Last Amend:** 03/08/2021

**Status:** 03/08/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS with author's amendments.  
In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to  
03/08/2021 Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.

**Department:** DevelopmentSvcs, EU

**Position:** Oppose

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 19. CA AB 411

**Author:** [Irwin \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Bond Act](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Committee:** Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee

**Hearing:** 03/15/2021, State Capitol, Room 4202

**Code Section:** An act to add Article 5aa (commencing with Section 998.700) to Chapter 6 of Division 4 of the Military and Veterans Code, relating to veterans' housing, by providing the funds necessary therefor through an election for the issuance and sale of bonds of the State of California and for the handling and disposition of those funds.

**Summary:** Enacts the Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Bond Act of 2022 to authorize the issuance of bonds in an amount not to exceed a specified sum to provide additional funding for the Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Act of 2014 (VHHPA). Provides for the handling and disposition of the funds in the same manner as the 2014 bond act.

**Digest:** This bill would enact the Veterans Housing and Homeless Prevention Bond Act of 2022 to authorize the issuance of bonds in an amount not to exceed \$600,000,000 to provide additional funding for the VHHPA. The bill would provide for the handling and disposition of the funds in the same manner as the 2014 bond act.

The bill would provide for the submission of the bond act to the voters at the June 7, 2022, statewide primary election.

**Introduced:** 02/03/2021

**Last Amend:** 03/01/2021

**Status:** 03/01/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT with author's amendments.

03/01/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

**Department:** Finance, Housing, PAC, PD

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Homelessness

## 20. CA AB 433

**Author:** [Chen \(R\)](#)

**Coauthor:** [Lackey \(R\)](#)

**Title:** [Wildfire Mitigation Financial Assistance Program](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Utilities and Energy Committee

**Code Section:** An act to amend Section 8654.7 of, to amend and renumber 8654.10 of, and to add Section 8654.10 to, the Government Code, and to add and repeal Section 8389.5 to the Public Utilities Code, relating to wildfire mitigation.

**Summary:** Authorizes the joint powers authority implementing the Wildfire Mitigation Financial Assistance Program to accept voluntary contributions and would require the contributions be deposited in the California Wildfire Mitigation Financial Assistance Fund, which the bill would establish in the State Treasury.

**Digest:** This bill would authorize the joint powers authority implementing the above-described program to accept voluntary contributions and would require the

contributions be deposited in the California Wildfire Mitigation Financial Assistance Fund, which the bill would establish in the State Treasury. The bill would provide that moneys in the fund are available, upon appropriation by the Legislature for purpose of the program.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for specified reasons.

**Introduced:** 02/04/2021

**Status:** 02/12/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on UTILITIES AND ENERGY and EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

**Department:** Electric, Fire

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 21. CA AB 537

**Author:** [Quirk \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Wireless Telecommunications and Broadband Facilities](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Local Government Committee

**Code Section:** An act ~~relating to local permitting~~ [to amend Section 65964.1 of the Government Code, relating to communications.](#)

**Summary:** Removes an exemption for certain eligible facilities requests. Requires that the time periods be determined pursuant to specified FCC rules. Requires that the city, county, or city and county notify the applicant of the incompleteness of an application within the time periods established by applicable FCC rules.

**Digest:** This bill would remove the exemption for eligible facilities requests defined above. The bill would require that the time periods described above be determined pursuant to specified FCC rules. The bill would require that the city, county, or city and county notify the applicant of the incompleteness of an application within the time periods established by applicable FCC rules. The bill would require that the time period for a city or county to approve or disapprove a collocation or siting application commence when the applicant takes the first procedural step that the city or county requires as part of its applicable regulatory review process. The bill would require that where a traffic control plan or other permit related to safety is required by the construction, the applicant shall obtain the permit, which the city or county shall issue without delay.

The bill would require that a city or county shall not prohibit or unreasonably discriminate in favor of, or against, any particular technology. By imposing

new duties on cities and counties, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

**Introduced:** 02/10/2021  
**Last Amend:** 03/11/2021  
**Status:** 03/11/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on LOCAL GOVERNMENT and COMMUNICATIONS AND CONVEYANCE.  
03/11/2021 From ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT with author's amendments.  
03/11/2021 In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.  
**Department:** CityAttorney, IT, Planning  
**Position:** Watch  
**Priority:** StatePriority

## 22. CA AB 703

**Author:** [Rubio \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Open Meetings: Local Agencies: Teleconferences](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** no  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** Assembly Local Government Committee  
**Code Section:** An act to amend Section 54953 of the Government Code, relating to local government.  
**Summary:** Removes the requirements of the Ralph M. Brown Act particular to teleconferencing and allows for teleconferencing subject to existing provisions regarding the posting of notice of an agenda and the ability of the public to observe the meeting and provide public comment.  
**Digest:** This bill would remove the requirements of the act particular to teleconferencing and allow for teleconferencing subject to existing provisions regarding the posting of notice of an agenda and the ability of the public to observe the meeting and provide public comment. The bill would require that, in each instance in which notice of the time of the teleconferenced meeting is otherwise given or the agenda for the meeting is otherwise posted, the local agency also give notice of the means by which members of the public may observe the meeting and offer public comment and that the legislative body have and implement a procedure for receiving and swiftly resolving requests for reasonable accommodation for individuals with

disabilities, consistent with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act, as provided.

This bill would declare the Legislature's intent, consistent with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, to improve and enhance public access to local agency meetings into the future, and considering the digital age, by allowing broader access through teleconferencing options.

This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.

**Introduced:** 02/12/2021

**Status:** 02/25/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Clerk, IT, PAC

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 23. CA AB 816

**Author:** [Chiu \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor** [Bloom \(D\)](#), [Bonta \(D\)](#), [Quirk-Silva \(D\)](#), [Santiago \(D\)](#), [Wicks \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [State and Local Agencies: Homelessness Plan](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee

**Code Section:** An act to amend Section 11552 of the Government Code, and to add Sections 8257.1 and 8257.2 to, and to add Chapter 6.6 (commencing with Section 8258) to Division 8 of, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to homelessness.

**Summary:** Requires the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to conduct, or contract with an entity to conduct, a statewide needs and gaps analysis to, among other things, identify state programs that provide housing or services to persons experiencing homelessness and create a financial model that will assess certain investment needs for the purpose of moving persons experiencing homelessness into permanent housing.

**Digest:** This bill, upon appropriation by the Legislature or upon receiving technical assistance offered by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), if available, would require the coordinating council to conduct, or contract with an entity to conduct, a statewide needs and gaps analysis to, among other things, identify state programs that provide housing or services to persons experiencing homelessness and create a financial model that will assess certain investment needs for the purpose of moving persons experiencing homelessness into permanent housing. The bill would provide that the council's obligation to conduct the statewide needs and gaps analysis is fulfilled if a technical assistance provider from HUD conducts the

analysis on behalf of the council. The bill would require the council to work with the technical assistance provider to complete the analysis. The bill would authorize local governments to collaborate with the coordinating council or other entity conducting the analysis upon an appropriation by the Legislature to cover costs of the collaboration or upon provision of technical assistance by HUD. The bill would also require the coordinating council or any other entity conducting the analysis to seek input from the coordinating council's members on the direction of, design of data collection for, and items to be included in the statewide needs and gaps analysis. The bill would require the council to report on the analysis to specified committees in the Legislature by July 31, 2022. The bill would require the coordinating council or other entity conducting the analysis to evaluate all available data, including, among other things, data from other state departments and agencies. The bill would require a state department or agency with a member on the coordinating council to assist in data collection for the analysis by responding to data requests within 180 days, as specified.

This bill would require the Department of Housing and Community Development (department) to set a benchmark goal in reducing homelessness by January 1, 2029, for the state pursuant to the statewide needs and gaps analysis. The bill would require the department to approve or work with local agencies, as defined, to identify, as provided, appropriate benchmark goals to reduce homelessness for each local agency and cities within each local agency. The bill would also require the department to set annual benchmarks to meet these benchmark goals. The bill, on or before January 1, 2023, would require each local agency to submit to the department an actionable county-level plan for meeting specific annual benchmarks, with the goal of achieving the state-identified benchmark goal. The bill would require each city in the local agency's jurisdiction to participate in the plan, and each local agency would be required to request and actively seek the participation of all homeless continuums of care that serve the local agency's jurisdiction. The bill would require the plan to include, among other things, a description and the amount of all funding sources the local agency, and any incorporated jurisdiction and continuum of care, has earmarked or committed to addressing homelessness, mental illness, and substance abuse within its jurisdiction. The bill would require the state and each local agency to submit an annual progress report to the department that details the progress and implementation of the adopted plan and any amendments proposed to the plan.

This bill would require the department to review submitted plans and provide feedback and recommended revisions. The bill would require the state or a local agency to either adopt those recommended revisions, or adopt findings as to why the recommended revisions are not needed. The bill would require the department to monitor the implementation and progress of state and local agency plans. The bill would require the department to notify the state or the local agency and the inspector general if the agency fails, within a reasonable time, to make progress in accordance with their plan. The bill would provide that an innovative project to test new programs, as described, shall be deemed approved by the department if the department approves a

plan or plan amendment with the innovative project and the local agency or city establishes and documents outcomes upon implementation of the project.

This bill would establish an independent state officer, named the Housing and Homelessness Inspector General, within the department. The bill would require the Governor to appoint the Housing and Homelessness Inspector General, subject to confirmation by the Senate. The bill would, on and after January 1, 2023, authorize the inspector general to bring an action against the state, a local agency, or a city that fails to adopt a plan or fails, within a reasonable time, to make progress in accordance with their adopted plan. The bill, if the court finds that the state or applicable local agency or city has not substantially complied, would authorize the Housing and Homelessness Inspector General to request the court to issue an order or judgment directing the state, local agency, or city to substantially comply, as provided.

The bill would authorize the inspector general to impose a civil penalty on the state, a local agency, or a city that is found to have deliberately and intentionally transported a homeless individual to a different jurisdiction in order to reduce the number of homeless individuals within their jurisdiction, as specified.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

**Introduced:** 02/16/2021  
**Status:** 02/25/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.  
**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, PAC, PD, Parks  
**Position:** Watch  
**Priority:** StatePriority  
**Subject:** Homelessness

## 24. CA AB 818

**Author:** [Bloom \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Solid Waste: Premoistened Nonwoven Disposable Wipes](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Committee:** Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee  
**Hearing:** 04/07/2021 9:00 am, State Capitol, Room 4202

**Code Section:** An act to add Part 9 (commencing with Section 49650) to Division 30 of, and to repeal Section 49652 of, the Public Resources Code, relating to solid waste.

**Summary:** Requires, except as provided, certain premoistened nonwoven disposable wipes manufactured on or after July 1, 2022, to be labeled clearly and conspicuously with the phrase Do Not Flush and a related symbol. Prohibits a covered entity, as defined, from making a representation about the flushable attributes, benefits, performance, or efficacy of those premoistened nonwoven disposable wipes.

**Digest:** This bill would require, except as provided, certain premoistened nonwoven disposable wipes manufactured on or after July 1, 2022, to be labeled clearly and conspicuously with the phrase "Do Not Flush" and a related symbol, as specified. The bill would prohibit a covered entity, as defined, from making a representation about the flushable attributes, benefits, performance, or efficacy of those premoistened nonwoven disposable wipes, as provided. The bill would establish enforcement provisions, including authorizing a civil penalty not to exceed \$2,500 per day, up to a maximum of \$100,000 per violation, to be imposed on a covered entity who violates those provisions.

The bill would establish, until January 1, 2027, the California Consumer Education and Outreach Program, under which covered entities would be required, among other things, to participate in a collection study conducted in collaboration with wastewater agencies for the purpose of gaining understanding of consumer behavior regarding the flushing of premoistened nonwoven disposable wipes and to conduct a comprehensive multimedia education and outreach program in the state. The bill would require covered entities to annually report to specified legislative committees and the State Water Resources Control Board on their activities under the program and would require the state board to post the reports on its internet website.

**Introduced:** 02/16/2021

**Status:** 02/25/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS and JUDICIARY.

**Department:** EU

**Position:** Support

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 25. CA AB 845

**Author:** [Rodriguez \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Disability Retirement: COVID-19: Presumption](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Public Employment and Retirement Committee

**Code Section:** An act to add and repeal Article 5 (commencing with Section 7523) to Chapter 21 of Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code, relating to retirement.

**Summary:** Creates a presumption, applicable to the retirement systems that the Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA) regulates and to specified members in those systems, that would be applied to disability retirements on the basis, in whole or in part, of a Coronavirus 2019-related illness. Requires, in this circumstance, that it be presumed the disability arose out of, or in the course of, the member's employment.

**Digest:** This bill, until January 1, 2023, would create a presumption, applicable to the retirement systems that PEPRA regulates and to specified members in those systems, that would be applied to disability retirements on the basis, in whole or in part, of a COVID-19-related illness. In this circumstance, the bill would require that it be presumed the disability arose out of, or in the course of, the member's employment. The bill would authorize the presumption to be rebutted by evidence to the contrary, but unless controverted, the board of administration of the applicable retirement system would be required to find in accordance with the presumption. The bill would apply this presumption to members employed in specified firefighter, public safety officer, and health care job classifications, or their functional equivalents, and to members in other job classifications who test positive for COVID-19 during an outbreak of the disease at their places of employment, as defined.

**Introduced:** 02/17/2021

**Status:** 02/25/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT.

**Department:** COVID-19, CityAttorney, Electric, HR

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 26. CA AB 1086

**Author:** [Aguiar-Curry \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Organic Waste: Implementation Strategy](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Natural Resources Committee

**Code Section:** An act to add and repeal Section 42649.88 of the Public Resources Code, relating to organic waste.

**Summary:** Requires the Natural Resources Agency, in coordination with specified state agencies, and in consultation with stakeholders and relevant permitting agencies, to prepare and submit to the Legislature, by January 1, 2023, a report that provides an implementation strategy to achieve the states organic

waste, and related climate change and air quality, mandates, goals, and targets.

**Digest:** This bill would require the Natural Resources Agency, in coordination with specified state agencies, and in consultation with stakeholders and relevant permitting agencies, to prepare and submit to the Legislature, by January 1, 2023, a report that provides an implementation strategy to achieve the state's organic waste, and related climate change and air quality, mandates, goals, and targets. The bill would authorize the Natural Resources Agency to, by July 1, 2022, contract with outside entities, including the California Council on Science and Technology and the University of California, to prepare the report. The bill would require the implementation strategy to include, among other things, recommendations on policy and funding support for the beneficial reuse of organic waste.

**Introduced:** 02/18/2021

**Status:** 03/04/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

**Department:** EU

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 27. CA AB 1166

**Author:** [Grayson \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Broadband Access](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** no

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** ASSEMBLY

**Code Section:** An act relating to communications.

**Summary:** States the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation to streamline cell tower permitting to expand broadband access.

**Digest:** This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation to streamline cell tower permitting to expand broadband access.

**Introduced:** 02/18/2021

**Status:** 02/18/2021 INTRODUCED.

**Department:** CityAttorney, IT, Planning

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 28. CA AB 1207

**Author:** [Rivas \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [COVID-19 Relief: State Processes](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** no  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** ASSEMBLY  
**Code Section:** An act relating to COVID-19 relief.  
**Summary:** States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to streamlining state processes to help recover from the COVID-19 crisis.  
**Digest:** This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to streamlining state processes to help recover from the COVID-19 crisis.  
**Introduced:** 02/19/2021  
**Status:** 02/19/2021 INTRODUCED.  
**Department:** COVID-19, DevelopmentSvcs, PAC, PAC, Planning  
**Position:** Watch  
**Priority:** StatePriority

## 29. CA AB 1209

**Author:** [McCarty \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Transportation Planning: Green Means Go Grant Program](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** Assembly Transportation Committee  
**Code Section:** An act to add Section 65080.7 to the Government Code, relating to transportation.  
**Summary:** Requires the Sacramento Area Council Of Government, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to develop and administer the Green Means Go Grant and Loan Program to award competitive grants and revolving loans to cities, counties, and special districts within the Sacramento region for qualifying projects within and benefitting green zones, as defined.  
**Digest:** This bill would require SACOG, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to develop and administer the Green Means Go Grant and Loan Program to award competitive grants and revolving loans to cities, counties, and special districts within the Sacramento region for qualifying projects within and benefitting green zones, as defined. The bill would require SACOG, on or before November 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, to submit a report to the Legislature describing the development and administration of that program, amount of moneys awarded pursuant to that program, and status of projects for which that program's moneys were awarded.

This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Sacramento Area Council of Governments.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 02/19/2021

**Status:** 03/04/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on TRANSPORTATION and HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

**Department:** Development Svcs, EconDevelop, PAC, PW, Planning

**Position:** Support

**Priority:** StatePriority

### 30. CA AB 1220

**Author:** [Rivas \(D\)](#)

**Title:** Homelessness: Office to End Homelessness.

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee

**Code Section:** [An act to amend Section 65915 of the Government Code, relating to housing, add Chapter 1.5 \(commencing with Section 12095\) to Part 2 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code, and to amend Sections 8256 and 8257 of, and to add Section 8257.5 to, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to state government.](#)

**Summary:** Creates the Office to End Homelessness, which would be administered by the Secretary on Homelessness appointed by the Governor.

**Digest:** This bill would create the Office to End Homelessness, which would be administered by the Secretary on Homelessness appointed by the Governor. The bill would require that the office serve the Governor as the lead entity for ending homelessness in California and would task the office with coordinating homeless programs, services, data, and policies between federal, state, and local agencies, among other responsibilities. The bill would require the office to exercise various powers and duties, including, among others, making recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature regarding new state policies, programs, and actions on homelessness. The bill would require the office to be comprised of specified employees serving within the state civil service and to oversee and carry out the existing mandates of the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council, as defined and described below.

This bill would require that the coordinating council be under the supervision of the Secretary on Homelessness of the Office to End Homelessness. The bill would further require that the Secretary on Homelessness, or the

secretary's designee, serve as chair of the council in place of the Secretary of Business, Consumer Services, and Housing. The bill would also change the composition of the council by reducing the overall number of members to 13, replacing representatives of specified state agencies with directors and secretaries of those agencies, adding the Director of Public Health to the council membership, making certain positions part of an advisory committee to the council, and making other related changes. The bill would provide for the transfer of specified duties, powers, employees, assets, and liabilities of the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency and the office of the Governor to the Office to End Homelessness with respect to the council, as specified.

The bill would provide that the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act does not apply to a meeting of a working group, task force, or other structure of the council if only a minority of the members of the council participate in that working group, task force, or other structure. The bill would specify that, except under those circumstances, the council and its meetings are subject to the act.

This bill would require that statewide data system or warehouse to be known as the Homeless Data Integration System. The bill would require all Continuums of Care, as defined, which are currently operating in California, to provide collected data elements, as provided, to the Homeless Management Information System. The bill would prohibit any health information or personal identifying information provided to, or maintained within, that system from being subject to public inspection or disclosure under the California Public Records Act.

This bill would require, upon the request of the coordinating council, an agency or department that administers one or more state programs to furnish to the coordinating council any relevant information regarding those state programs.

This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.

**Introduced:** 02/19/2021

**Last Amend:** 03/11/2021

**Status:**

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| 03/11/2021 | To ASSEMBLY Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.                                               |
| 03/11/2021 | From ASSEMBLY Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT with author's amendments.                    |
| 03/11/2021 | In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. |

**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, Planning

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Housing

## 31. CA AB 1226

**Author:** [McCarty \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** Capitol Corridor Rail Line: Capital Improvements  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** Assembly Transportation Committee  
**Code Section:** An act to add Section 14076.9 to the Government Code, relating to transportation, and making an appropriation therefor.  
**Summary:** Appropriates an unspecified amount from the General Fund without regard to fiscal years to the Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority to invest in capital improvements for the Capitol Corridor.  
**Digest:** This bill would appropriate an unspecified amount from the General Fund without regard to fiscal years to the Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority to invest in capital improvements for the Capitol Corridor.  
**Introduced:** 02/19/2021  
**Status:** 03/04/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on TRANSPORTATION.  
**Department:** DevelopmentSvcs, PW, Transit  
**Position:** Watch  
**Priority:** StatePriority

## 32. CA AB 1322

**Author:** [Bonta \(D\)](#)  
**Coauthor:** [Ting \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** Land Use: Charter Cities: Single-Family Homes  
**Fiscal Committee:** no  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** Assembly Local Government Committee  
**Code Section:** An act to add Section 65850.02 to the Government Code, relating to land use.  
**Summary:** Prohibits enforcement of single-family zoning provisions in a charter city's charter if more than 90 percent of residentially zoned land in the city is for single-family housing or if the city is characterized by a high degree of zoning that results in excluding persons based on their rate of poverty, their race, or both.  
**Digest:** This bill, commencing January 1, 2022, would prohibit enforcement of single-family zoning provisions in a charter city's charter if more than 90% of

residentially zoned land in the city is for single-family housing or if the city is characterized by a high degree of zoning that results in excluding persons based on their rate of poverty, their race, or both. The bill would also include findings and declarations with regard to, among other things, the lack of adequate and affordable housing available in this state being a matter of statewide concern.

The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, applies to charter cities.

**Introduced:** 02/19/2021

**Status:** 03/04/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on LOCAL GOVERNMENT and HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

**Department:** CityAttorney, DevelopmentSvcs, Housing, Planning

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Housing

### 33. CA AB 1360

**Author:** [Santiago \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Homelessness Issues](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** no

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** ASSEMBLY

**Code Section:** An act relating to homelessness.

**Summary:** Declares the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to homelessness.

**Digest:** This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation relating to homelessness.

**Introduced:** 02/19/2021

**Status:** 02/19/2021 INTRODUCED.

**Department:** CityAttorney, EconDevelop, Housing, PAC, PD, Parks

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Homelessness

### 34. CA AB 1370

**Author:** [Quirk-Silva \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Affordable Housing](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** no  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** ASSEMBLY  
**Code Section:** An act relating to housing.  
**Summary:** Expresses the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would relate to affordable housing development.  
**Digest:** This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would relate to affordable housing development.  
**Introduced:** 02/19/2021  
**Status:** 02/19/2021 INTRODUCED.  
**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, PAC, Planning  
**Position:** Watch  
**Priority:** StatePriority  
**Subject:** Housing

### 35. CA AB 1372

**Author:** [Muratsuchi \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Right to Temporary Shelter](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee  
**Code Section:** An act to add Chapter 7.9 (commencing with Section 8699) to Division 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code, relating to homelessness.  
**Summary:** Requires every city to provide every person who is homeless with temporary shelter, mental health treatment, resources for job placement, and job training until the person obtains permanent housing if the person has actively sought temporary shelter in the jurisdiction for at least 3 consecutive days and has been unable to gain entry into all temporary shelters they sought for specified reasons.  
**Digest:** This bill would require every city, or every county in the case of unincorporated areas, to provide every person who is homeless, as defined, with temporary shelter, mental health treatment, resources for job placement, and job training until the person obtains permanent housing if the person has actively sought temporary shelter in the jurisdiction for at least 3 consecutive days and has been unable to gain entry into all temporary shelters they sought for specified reasons. The bill would require the city or county, as applicable, to provide a rent subsidy, as specified, if it is unable to provide temporary shelter. The bill would authorize a person who is

homeless to enforce the bill's provisions by bringing a civil action. The bill would require a court to award specified remedies and penalties upon finding a violation of the bill's provisions, including by requiring the city or county, as applicable, to provide the person who is homeless with temporary shelter, mental health treatment, resources for job placement, and job training until the person obtains permanent housing.

This bill would require every city, county, and city and county to adopt a plan, subject to approval by the Department of Housing and Community Development, to provide for temporary shelter for persons who are homeless in its jurisdiction, as specified. By imposing additional duties on cities and counties, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

**Introduced:** 02/19/2021

**Status:** 03/04/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT and JUDICIARY.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, PD, Parks, Planning

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Homelessness, Housing

## 36. CA AB 1398

**Author:** [Bloom \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Housing Issues](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** no

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** ASSEMBLY

**Code Section:** An act relating to housing.

**Summary:** Declares the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would promote housing production by requiring cities and counties to rezone in a timely manner to meet their housing needs.

**Digest:** This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would promote housing production by requiring cities and counties to rezone

in a timely manner to meet their housing needs. The bill would also make related findings.

**Introduced:** 02/19/2021  
**Status:** 02/19/2021 INTRODUCED.  
**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, PAC, Planning  
**Position:** Watch  
**Priority:** StatePriority  
**Subject:** Housing

### 37. CA AB 1401

**Author:** [Friedman \(D\)](#)  
**Coauthor:** [Skinner \(D\)](#), [Wiener \(D\)](#), [Lee \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** Residential And Commercial Development: Parking  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** Assembly Local Government Committee  
**Code Section:** An act to add Section 65863.3 to the Government Code, relating to land use.  
**Summary:** Relates to residential and commercial development. Relates to parking requirements. Prohibits a local government from imposing a minimum parking requirement, or enforcing a minimum parking requirement, on residential, commercial, or other development if the development is located on a parcel that is within one-half mile walking distance of public transit, as defined, or located within a low-vehicle miles traveled area, as defined.  
**Digest:** This bill would prohibit a local government from imposing a minimum parking requirement, or enforcing a minimum parking requirement, on residential, commercial, or other development if the development is located on a parcel that is within one-half mile walking distance of public transit, as defined, or located within a low-vehicle miles traveled area, as defined.  
  
The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.  
  
This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.  
**Introduced:** 02/19/2021  
**Status:** 03/11/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committees on LOCAL GOVERNMENT and HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.  
**Department:** CityAttorney, Planning  
**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

### 38. CA AB 1575

**Author:** [Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee](#)

**Title:** Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee

**Code Section:** An act to add Sections 8257.1 and 8257.2 to the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to homelessness.

**Summary:** Requires the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to conduct, or contract to conduct, a specified statewide needs and gaps analysis regarding homelessness. Identifies and describes state programs that provide housing or services to persons experiencing homelessness and create a financial model that will assess certain investment needs for the purpose of moving persons experiencing homelessness into permanent housing.

**Digest:** This bill, upon appropriation by the Legislature, or upon receiving technical assistance offered by the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), would require the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to conduct, or contract to conduct, a specified statewide needs and gaps analysis regarding homelessness. Among other things, the analysis would identify and describe state programs that provide housing or services to persons experiencing homelessness and create a financial model that will assess certain investment needs for the purpose of moving persons experiencing homelessness into permanent housing. The bill would provide that the obligation to conduct the analysis is fulfilled if a technical assistance provider from HUD conducts the analysis on behalf of the council and would require the council to work with the technical assistance provider to complete the analysis. The bill would authorize local governments to collaborate with the coordinating council or other entity conducting the analysis upon an appropriation by the Legislature to cover costs of the collaboration or upon provision of technical assistance by HUD. The bill would require the council to report on the analysis to specified committees of the Legislature by July 31, 2022. The bill would require a state department or agency with a member on the coordinating council to assist in data collection for the analysis by responding to data requests within 180 days, as specified.

**Introduced:** 03/08/2021

**Status:** 03/11/2021 To ASSEMBLY Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

**Department:** Housing, PAC

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Homelessness

### 39. CA ACA 1

**Author:** [Aguiar-Curry \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor** [Levine \(D\), Quirk \(D\), Stone \(D\), Ting \(D\), Weber \(D\), Burke \(D\), Berman \(D\), Kalra \(D\), Rubio \(D\), Rivas R \(D\), Wicks \(D\), Gonzalez \(D\), Chiu \(D\), Wiener \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Local Government Financing: Affordable Housing](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** no

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** ASSEMBLY

**Code Section:** A resolution to propose to the people of the State of California an amendment to the Constitution of the State, by amending Sections 1 and 4 of Article XIII A thereof, by amending Section 2 of, and by adding Section 2.5 to, Article XIII C thereof, by amending Section 3 of Article XIII D thereof, and by amending Section 18 of Article XVI thereof, relating to local finance.

**Summary:** Creates an additional exception to the 1% ad valorem tax rate limit on real property that would authorize a city, county, or special district to levy an ad valorem tax to service bonded indebtedness incurred to fund the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of public infrastructure, affordable housing, or permanent supportive housing, if the proposition proposing the tax is approved by 55% of the voters of the city or county, and the proposition includes accountability requirements.

**Digest:** This measure would create an additional exception to the 1% limit that would authorize a city, county, city and county, or special district to levy an ad valorem tax to service bonded indebtedness incurred to fund the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of public infrastructure, affordable housing, or permanent supportive housing, or the acquisition or lease of real property for those purposes, if the proposition proposing that tax is approved by 55% of the voters of the city, county, or city and county, as applicable, and the proposition includes specified accountability requirements. The measure would specify that these provisions apply to any city, county, city and county, or special district measure imposing an ad valorem tax to pay the interest and redemption charges on bonded indebtedness for these purposes that is submitted at the same election as this measure.

This measure would authorize a local government to impose, extend, or increase a sales and use tax or transactions and use tax imposed in accordance with specified law or a parcel tax, as defined, for the purposes of funding the construction, rehabilitation, or replacement of public infrastructure, affordable housing, or permanent supportive housing if the proposition proposing that tax is approved by 55% of its voters voting on the proposition and the proposition includes specified accountability

requirements. This measure would also make conforming changes to related provisions. The measure would specify that these provisions apply to any local measure imposing, extending, or increasing a sales and use tax, transactions and use tax, or parcel tax for these purposes that is submitted at the same election as this measure.

This measure would expressly prohibit a special district, other than a board of education or school district, from incurring any indebtedness or liability exceeding any applicable statutory limit, as prescribed by the statutes governing the special district. The measure would also similarly require the approval of 55% of the voters of the city, county, city and county, or special district, as applicable, to incur bonded indebtedness, exceeding in any year the income and revenue provided in that year, that is in the form of general obligation bonds issued to fund the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of public infrastructure, affordable housing, or permanent supportive housing projects, if the proposition proposing that bond includes specified accountability requirements. The measure would specify that this 55% threshold applies to any proposition for the incurrence of indebtedness by a city, county, city and county, or special district for these purposes that is submitted at the same election as this measure.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020  
**Status:** 12/07/2020 INTRODUCED.  
**Department:** CityAttorney, Finance, Housing, PAC, Planning  
**Position:** Watch  
**Priority:** StatePriority  
**Subject:** Housing

#### 40. CA SB 5

**Author:** [Atkins \(D\)](#)  
**Coauthor** [Caballero \(D\), Skinner \(D\), McGuire \(D\), Wiener \(D\), Rubio \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Affordable Housing Bond Act](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** Senate Rules Committee  
**Code Section:** [An act relating to housing. An act to add Part 17 \(commencing with Section 54050\) to Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to housing, by providing the funds necessary therefor through an election for the issuance and sale of bonds of the State of California and for the handling and disposition of those funds.](#)  
**Summary:** Enacts the Affordable Housing Bond Act. Authorizes the issuance of bonds pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law. Requires proceeds from the sale of these bonds to be used to fund affordable rental housing and

homeownership programs. States the intent of the Legislature to determine the allocation of those funds to specific programs.

**Digest:** This bill would enact the Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2022, which, if adopted, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$6,500,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law. Proceeds from the sale of these bonds would be used to fund affordable rental housing and homeownership programs. The bill would state the intent of the Legislature to determine the allocation of those funds to specific programs.

This bill would provide for submission of the bond act to the voters at the November 8, 2022, statewide general election in accordance with specified law.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Last Amend:** 03/10/2021

**Status:** 03/10/2021 From SENATE Committee on RULES with author's amendments.  
03/10/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on RULES.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Finance, Housing, PAC, Planning

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Housing

## 41. CA SB 6

**Author:** [Caballero \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor:** [Hueso \(D\), Quirk-Silva \(D\), Cooper \(D\), Gipson \(D\), McGuire \(D\), Arambula \(D\), Carrillo \(D\), Rivas R \(D\), Cortese \(D\), Hertzberg \(D\), Atkins \(D\), Eggman \(D\), Wiener \(D\), Durazo \(D\), Rubio \(D\), Gonzalez \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Local Planning: Housing: Commercial Zones](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Senate Housing Committee

**Code Section:** An act to amend Section 65913.4 of, and to add [and repeal](#) Section 65852.23 ~~to~~, [of](#), the Government Code, relating to land use.

**Summary:** Deems a housing development project, as defined, an allowable use on a neighborhood lot, which is defined as a parcel within an office or retail commercial zone that is not adjacent to an industrial use. Requires the density for a housing development under these provisions to meet or exceed the density deemed appropriate to accommodate housing for lower income households according to the type of local jurisdiction, including a density of a certain number of units per acre for a suburban jurisdiction.

**Digest:**

This bill, the Neighborhood Homes Act, would deem a housing development project, as defined, an allowable use on a neighborhood lot, which is defined as a parcel within an office or retail commercial zone that is not adjacent to an industrial use. The bill would require the density for a housing development under these provisions to meet or exceed the density deemed appropriate to accommodate housing for lower income households according to the type of local jurisdiction, including a density of at least 20 units per acre for a suburban jurisdiction. The bill would require the housing development to meet all other local requirements for a neighborhood lot, other than those that prohibit residential use, or allow residential use at a lower density than that required by the bill. The bill would provide that a housing development under these provisions is subject to the local zoning, parking, design, and other ordinances, local code requirements, and procedures applicable to the processing and permitting of a housing development in a zone that allows for the housing with the density required by the act. If more than one zoning designation of the local agency allows for housing with the density required by the act, the bill would require that the zoning standards that apply to the closest parcel that allows residential use at a density that meets the requirements of the act would apply. If the existing zoning designation allows residential use at a density greater than that required by the act, the bill would require that the existing zoning designation for the parcel would apply. The bill would also require that a housing development under these provisions comply with public notice, comment, hearing, or other procedures applicable to a housing development in a zone with the applicable density. The bill would require that the housing development is subject to a recorded deed restriction with an unspecified affordability requirement, as provided. The bill would require that a developer either certify that the development is a public work, as defined, or is not in its entirety a public work, but that all construction workers will be paid prevailing wages, as provided, or certify that a skilled and trained workforce, as defined, will be used to perform all construction work on the development, as provided. The bill would require a local agency to require that a rental of any unit created pursuant to the bill's provisions be for a term longer than 30 days. The bill would authorize a local agency to exempt a neighborhood lot from these provisions in its land use element of the general plan if the local agency concurrently reallocates the lost residential density to other lots so that there is no net loss in residential density in the jurisdiction, as provided. The bill would specify that it does not alter or affect the application of any housing, environmental, or labor law applicable to a housing development authorized by these provisions, including, but not limited to, the California Coastal Act, the California Environmental Quality Act, the Housing Accountability Act, obligations to affirmatively further fair housing, and any state or local affordability laws or tenant protection laws. The bill would require an applicant of a housing development under these provisions to provide notice of a pending application to each commercial tenant of the neighborhood lot. The bill would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2029.

The bill would include findings that changes proposed by the Neighborhood Homes Act address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.

The bill would provide that for purposes of the Housing Accountability Act, a proposed housing development project is consistent, compliant, and in conformity with an applicable plan, program, policy, ordinance, standard, requirement, or other similar provision if the housing development project is consistent with the standards applied to the parcel pursuant to specified provisions of the Neighborhood Homes Act and if none of the square footage in the project is designated for hotel, motel, bed and breakfast inn, or other transient lodging use, except for a residential hotel, as defined.

This bill would permit the development to be proposed for a site zoned for office or retail commercial use if the site has had no commercial tenants on 50% or more of its total usable net interior square footage for a period of at least 3 years prior to the submission of the application. The bill would also provide that a project located on a neighborhood lot, as defined, shall be deemed consistent with objective zoning standards, objective design standards, and objective subdivision standards if the project is consistent with the applicable provisions of the Neighborhood Homes Act.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for specified reasons.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Last Amend:** 03/08/2021

**Status:** 03/11/2021 From SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE:  
Do pass to Committee on HOUSING. (5-0)

**Department:** CityAttorney, EconDevelop, Housing, PAC, Planning

**Position:** Oppose

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Housing

## 42. CA SB 7

**Author:** [Atkins \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor** [Rivas R \(D\)](#), [Rubio \(D\)](#), [Gonzalez \(D\)](#), [Cortese \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Jobs and Economic Improvement Environmental Leadership](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** yes

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** ASSEMBLY

**Code Section:** An act ~~to add Section 21157.8 to, and~~ to add and repeal Chapter 6.5 (commencing with Section 21178) of Division 13 ~~of, of~~ the Public Resources

Code, relating to environmental quality, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

**Summary:**

Enacts the Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act. Reenacts the former leadership act, with certain changes. Authorizes the Governor to certify projects that meet specified requirements for streamlining benefits related to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Includes housing development projects, as defined, meeting certain conditions as projects eligible for certification.

**Digest:**

This bill would enact the Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2021, which would reenact the former leadership act, with certain changes, and would authorize the Governor, until January 1, 2024, to certify projects that meet specified requirements for streamlining benefits related to CEQA. The bill would additionally include housing development projects, as defined, meeting certain conditions as projects eligible for certification. The bill would, except for those housing development projects, require the quantification and mitigation of the impacts of a project from the emissions of greenhouse gases, as provided. The bill would revise and recast the labor-related requirements for projects undertaken by both public agencies and private entities. The bill would provide that the Governor is authorized to certify a project before the lead agency certifies the final EIR for the project. The bill would provide for the certification by the Governor of a project alternative described in an EIR for a certified project, as provided. The bill would additionally require an applicant for certification of a project for which the environmental review has begun to demonstrate that the record of proceedings for the project is being prepared concurrently with the administrative process. The bill would require the project applicant, as a condition of certification, to agree to pay the costs of the trial court in hearing and deciding a case challenging a lead agency's action on a certified project. The bill would authorize the Office of Planning and Research to charge a fee to an applicant seeking certification for costs incurred by the Governor's office in the implementation of the Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2021. The bill would require resolution, to the extent feasible, of judicial review of action taken by a lead agency within 270 days after the filing of the record of proceedings with the court. The bill would provide that if a lead agency fails to approve a project certified by the Governor under the Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2021 before January 1, 2025, the certification is no longer valid. The bill would repeal the Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2021 on January 1, 2026. Because the bill would require the lead agency to prepare concurrently the record of proceedings for projects that are certified by the Governor, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

This bill would further provide that projects certified by the Governor under the former leadership act before January 1, 2020, and that are approved by a lead agency on or before January 1, 2022, are entitled to the benefits of and are required to comply with the requirements set forth in the former leadership act as it read on January 1, 2020.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Last Amend:** 02/18/2021

**Status:** 03/01/2021 In SENATE. Read third time, urgency clause adopted. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To ASSEMBLY. (34-0)

**Department:** CityAttorney, DevelopmentSvcs, Housing, Planning

**Position:** Oppose

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Housing

### 43. CA SB 8

**Author:** [Skinner \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor** [Caballero \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Housing Crisis Act](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Senate Rules Committee

**Code Section:** An act to amend ~~Section 65915~~ [Sections 65589.5, 65905.5, 65913.10, 65940, 65941.1, 65943, 65950, 66300, and 66301](#) of the Government Code, [and to amend Section 2 of Chapter 654 of the Statutes of 2019](#), relating to housing.

**Summary:** Clarifies, for various purposes of the act, that housing development project includes projects that involve no discretionary approvals, projects that involve both discretionary and nondiscretionary approvals, and projects that include a proposal to construct a single dwelling unit. Specifies that this clarification is declaratory of existing law.

**Digest:** This bill would clarify, for various purposes of the act, that "housing development project" includes projects that involve no discretionary approvals, projects that involve both discretionary and nondiscretionary approvals, and projects that include a proposal to construct a single dwelling unit. The bill would specify that this clarification is declaratory of existing law.

This bill would define "commenced construction" for these purposes, to mean that construction pursuant to a building permit has progressed to the point that at least one required inspection has been requested, as specified.

This bill would expand that prohibition by prohibiting a development policy, standard, or condition that would impose or enforce general plan, zoning, and subdivision standards and criteria, including design review standards, established on or after January 1, 2020, that are not objective.

This bill would exempt certain protected units from the above requirement to provide a right of first refusal, including transitional housing or supportive housing units and affordable housing units that cannot be replaced because comparable replacement units in the same income category would fail to satisfy affordable income requirements imposed on the development, as specified.

This bill would define "concurrently" to mean at the same meeting or, if the action that would result in a net loss of residential capacity is requested by an applicant for a housing development project, within 180 days.

This bill would extend the operation of the act until January 1, 2030. By extending the duties of local officials and a crime with respect to housing, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

This bill would provide that with regard to certain mandates no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Last Amend:** 03/10/2021

**Status:** 03/10/2021 From SENATE Committee on RULES with author's amendments.

03/10/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on RULES.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, Planning

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Housing

#### 44. CA SB 9

**Author:** [Atkins \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor** [McGuire \(D\), Rivas R \(D\), Gonzalez \(D\), Caballero \(D\), Wiener \(D\), Rubio \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Housing Development: Approvals](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Senate Housing Committee

**Code Section:** An act to amend Section 66452.6 of, and to add Sections 65852.21 and 66411.7 to, the Government Code, relating to land use.

**Summary:** Requires a proposed housing development containing two residential units within a single-family residential zone to be considered ministerially, without discretionary review or hearing, if the proposed housing development meets certain requirements that the proposed housing development would not

require demolition or alteration of housing that is subject to a recorded covenant, ordinance, or law that restricts rents to levels affordable to persons and families of moderate or low income.

**Digest:**

This bill, among other things, would require a proposed housing development containing 2 residential units within a single-family residential zone to be considered ministerially, without discretionary review or hearing, if the proposed housing development meets certain requirements, including, but not limited to, that the proposed housing development would not require demolition or alteration of housing that is subject to a recorded covenant, ordinance, or law that restricts rents to levels affordable to persons and families of moderate, low, or very low income, that the proposed housing development does not allow for the demolition of more than 25% of the existing exterior structural walls, except as provided, and that the development is not located within a historic district, is not included on the State Historic Resources Inventory, or is not within a site that is legally designated or listed as a city or county landmark or historic property or district.

The bill would set forth what a local agency can and cannot require in approving the construction of 2 residential units, including, but not limited to, authorizing a city or county to impose objective zoning standards, objective subdivision standards, and objective design standards, as defined, unless those standards would have the effect of physically precluding the construction of up to 2 units, prohibiting the imposition of setback requirements under certain circumstances, and setting maximum setback requirements under all other circumstances.

This bill, among other things, would require a city or county to ministerially approve a parcel map or tentative and final map for an urban lot split that meets certain requirements, including, but not limited to, that the urban lot split would not require the demolition or alteration of housing that is subject to a recorded covenant, ordinance, or law that restricts rents to levels affordable to persons and families of moderate, low, or very low income, that the parcel is located within a residential zone, and that the parcel is not located within a historic district, is not included on the State Historic Resources Inventory, or is not within a site that is legally designated or listed as a city or county landmark or historic property or district.

The bill would set forth what a local agency can and cannot require in approving an urban lot split, including, but not limited to, authorizing a city or county to impose objective zoning standards, objective subdivision standards, and objective design standards, as defined, unless those standards would have the effect of physically precluding the construction of 2 units on either of the resulting parcels, prohibiting the imposition of setback requirements under certain circumstances, and setting maximum setback requirements under all other circumstances.

The bill would also extend the limit on the additional period that may be provided by ordinance, as described above, from 12 months to 24 months and would make other conforming or nonsubstantive changes.

This bill, by establishing the ministerial review processes described above, would thereby exempt the approval of projects subject to those processes from CEQA.

This bill would exempt a local government from being required to hold public hearings for coastal development permit applications for housing developments and urban lot splits pursuant to the above provisions.

The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Status:** 01/28/2021 To SENATE Committees on HOUSING and GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE and ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.  
In SENATE. Rescinds referral to Committee on  
01/28/2021 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY due to limitations concerning COVID-19 virus.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, PAC, Planning

**Position:** Oppose

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Housing

## 45. CA SB 10

**Author:** [Wiener \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor** [Caballero \(D\)](#), [Atkins \(D\)](#), [Rivas R \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Planning and Zoning: Housing Development: Density](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Committee:** Senate Housing Committee

**Hearing:** 03/18/2021, John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)

**Code Section:** An act to add Section 65913.5 to the Government Code, relating to land use.

**Summary:** Authorizes a local government to pass an ordinance to zone any parcel for up to 10 units of residential density per parcel, at a height specified in the

ordinance, if the parcel is located in a transit-rich area, a jobs-rich area, or an urban infill site, as those terms are defined. Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to determine jobs-rich areas and publish a map of those areas on a certain frequency.

**Digest:** This bill would, notwithstanding any local restrictions on adopting zoning ordinances, authorize a local government to pass an ordinance to zone any parcel for up to 10 units of residential density per parcel, at a height specified in the ordinance, if the parcel is located in a transit-rich area, a jobs-rich area, or an urban infill site, as those terms are defined. In this regard, the bill would require the Department of Housing and Community Development, in consultation with the Office of Planning and Research, to determine jobs-rich areas and publish a map of those areas every 5 years, commencing January 1, 2023, based on specified criteria. The bill would specify that an ordinance adopted under these provisions, and any resolution adopted to amend the jurisdiction's General Plan to be consistent with that ordinance, is not a project for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act. The bill would prohibit a residential or mixed-use residential project consisting of 10 or more units that is located on a parcel rezoned pursuant to these provisions from being approved ministerially or by right.

This bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Last Amend:** 02/24/2021

**Status:** 02/24/2021 From SENATE Committee on HOUSING with author's amendments.

02/24/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred Committee on HOUSING.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, PAC, Planning

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Housing

## 46. CA SB 32

**Author:** [Cortese \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Energy: General Plan: Building Decarbonization](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Senate Governance and Finance Committee

**Code Section:** An act to add Section 65302.0.5 to the Government Code, relating to energy.

**Summary:** Requires a city or county to amend, by January 1, 2023, the appropriate elements of its general plan to include goals, policies, objectives, targets, and feasible implementation strategies to decarbonize newly constructed commercial and residential buildings. Requires a city or county to submit these draft general plan amendments to the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission at least 45 days prior to the adoption of the amendments.

**Digest:** This bill would require a city or county to amend, by January 1, 2023, the appropriate elements of its general plan to include goals, policies, objectives, targets, and feasible implementation strategies, as specified, to decarbonize newly constructed commercial and residential buildings. The bill would require a city or county to submit these draft general plan amendments to the commission at least 45 days prior to the adoption of the amendments. The bill would require the legislative body of the city or county to consider the commission's advisory comments, if any, prior to adopting the amendments.

The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Status:** 01/28/2021 To SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.

**Department:** Building, DevelopmentSvcs, Planning

**Position:** Oppose

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 47. CA SB 67

**Author:** [Becker \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Clean Energy: 24/7 Clean Energy Standard Program](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee

**Code Section:** [An act relating to energy. An act to amend Section 25746 of the Public Resources Code, and to amend Sections 399.11, 399.12, 399.13, 399.21, 399.25, 399.26, 399.30, 399.31, 399.33, 454.52, and 454.53 of, to amend the heading of Article 16 \(commencing with Section 399.11\) of Chapter 2.3](#)

[of Part 1 of Division 1 of, and to add Section 399.15.1 to, the Public Utilities Code, relating to energy.](#)

**Summary:** Establishes a goal that the electrical load be supplied by eligible clean energy resources. Establishes the California 24/7 Clean Energy Standard Program to require that a certain percentage of retail sales be supplied by eligible clean energy resources. Requires the Energy Commission to establish compliance periods that meet certain criteria. Requires establishment of clean energy procurement requirements.

**Digest:** This bill would revise that policy to establish a goal that 100% of electrical load be supplied by eligible clean energy resources, as defined. The bill would establish the California 24/7 Clean Energy Standard Program, which would require that 85% of retail sales annually and at least 60% of retail sales within certain subperiods by December 31, 2030, and 90% of retail sales annually and at least 75% of retail sales within certain subperiods by December 31, 2035, be supplied by eligible clean energy resources, as defined. The bill would require the Energy Commission, in consultation with the PUC and California balancing authorities, to establish compliance periods and subperiods that meet certain criteria. The bill would require the PUC to establish for each retail seller, and the Energy Commission for each local publicly owned electric utility, clean energy procurement requirements for each compliance period and subperiod, as provided. Because the bill would impose additional duties on local publicly owned electric utilities, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for specified reasons.

**Introduced:** 12/07/2020

**Last Amend:** 03/03/2021

**Status:** 03/11/2021 Re-referred to SENATE Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS.

**Department:** Electric, Finance

**Position:** Oppose

**Priority:** StatePriority

#### 48. CA SB 91

**Author:** [Senate Budget & Fiscal Review Committee](#)

**Title:** COVID-19 Relief: Tenancy: Federal Rental Assistance

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Enacted

**Location:** Chaptered

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| <b>Code Section:</b> | An act to amend Sections 789.4, 1942.5, and 3273.1 of, to add Sections 1785.20.4, 1788.66, and 1942.9 to, and to add and repeal Section 1788.65 of, the Civil Code, to amend Sections 116.223, 1161.2, 1161.2.5, 1179.01, 1179.02, 1179.03, 1179.03.5, 1179.04, 1179.05, and 1179.07 of, to amend the heading of Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 1179.01) of Title 3 of Part 3 of, to add Section 1179.04.5 to, and to add and repeal Chapter 11 (commencing with Section 871.10) of Title 10 of Part of, the Code of Civil Procedure, to amend Section 925.6 of the Government Code, and to add Chapter 17 (commencing with Section 50897) to Part 2 of Division 31 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to tenancy, and making an appropriation therefor, to take effect immediately, bill related to the budget. [Approved by Governor January 29, 2021. Filed with Secretary of State January 29, 2021.] |
| <b>Summary:</b>      | Extends the imposition of additional damages, if a tenant has provided a declaration of COVID-19 financial distress, on a landlord who violates the prohibition from interrupting or terminating utility service furnished to a tenant with the intent to terminate the occupancy of the tenant. Relates to the evaluation of tenants using an alleged COVID-19 rental debt. Extends the prohibition from bringing an action for unlawful detainer based on a cause of action other than nonpayment of COVID-19 rent.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Digest:</b>       | This bill would extend the imposition of those additional damages from February 1, 2021, to July 1, 2021.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

This bill would prohibit a housing provider, tenant screening company, or other entity that evaluates tenants on behalf of a housing provider from using an alleged COVID-19 rental debt, as defined, as a negative factor for the purpose of evaluating a prospective housing application or as the basis for refusing to rent a dwelling unit to an otherwise qualified prospective tenant.

This bill, until July 1, 2021, would prohibit a person from selling or assigning unpaid COVID-19 rental debt, as defined, for the time period between March 1, 2020, and June 30, 2021. The bill would also prohibit a person from selling or assigning unpaid COVID-19 rental debt, as defined, for that same time period of any person who would have qualified for rental assistance funding, provided pursuant to specified federal law, where the person's household income is at or below 80% of the area median income for the 2020 calendar year.

This bill would extend this prohibition from February 1, 2021, to July 1, 2021. This bill would also prohibit a landlord, with respect to a tenant who has COVID-19 rental debt, as defined, and has submitted a specified declaration, from (A) charging or attempting to collect fees assessed for the late payment of COVID-19 rental debt or (B) increasing fees charged to a tenant or charging the tenant fees for services previously provided by the landlord without charge. The bill would also provide that a landlord who temporarily reduces or makes unavailable a service or amenity as the result of compliance with federal, state, or local public health orders or guidelines would not be deemed to have violated the rental or lease agreement, or to have provided different terms or conditions of tenancy or reduced services, as provided.

This bill would, instead, define "effective time period" for these purposes as the period between the operational date of the COVID-19 Small Landlord and Homeowner Relief Act of 2020 and September 1, 2021, thereby extending the duty of a mortgage servicer to provide written notice if the mortgage servicer denies a forbearance request.

This bill would extend these provisions from February 1, 2025, to July 1, 2025. The bill would also extend the above-described prohibition on commencing an action in small claims court to recover COVID-19 rental debt to August 1, 2021.

This bill, until July 1, 2027, and with specified exceptions, would require a plaintiff in an action seeking recovery of COVID-19 rental debt, as defined, to attach to the complaint documentation showing that the plaintiff has made a good faith effort to investigate whether governmental rental assistance is available to the tenant, seek governmental rental assistance for the tenant, or cooperate with the tenant's efforts to obtain rental assistance from any governmental entity or other third party, as provided. The bill would authorize the court to reduce the damages awarded for any amount of COVID-19 rental debt sought if the court determines that the landlord refused to obtain state rental assistance as provided by this bill, as described below, where the tenant met the eligibility requirements and funding was available. The bill would prohibit commencement of an action to recover COVID-19 rental debt subject to these provisions until July 1, 2021, and require that the court stay proceedings in any such action pending as of the operative date of this bill until that date.

The bill, until July 1, 2025, would prohibit a court from awarding attorneys' fees that exceed specified amounts, which vary based on whether the matter is contested or uncontested, in any action to recover COVID-19 rental debt, as defined, brought as a limited or unlimited civil case under normal circumstances, determined as provided.

This bill would extend this limitation on the access to court records from February 1, 2021, to July 1, 2021. The bill would revise this limitation to, instead, include actions filed between March 4, 2020, and June 30, 2021, based on the alleged default in the payment of rent.

This bill would extend this provision from February 1, 2021, to July 1, 2021.

This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.

This bill would recast these provisions as the COVID-19 Tenant Relief Act and extend the February 1, 2025, repeal date to July 1, 2025. The bill would instead define "COVID-19 rental debt" as unpaid rent or other unpaid financial obligation of a tenant that came due between March 1, 2020, and June 30, 2021. The bill would make various conforming changes to align with these extended dates. By extending operation of those provisions, the bill would expand the scope of the crime of perjury and thereby impose a state-mandated local program. This bill, for the duration of any tenancy that

existed between March 1, 2020, and June 30, 2021, would prohibit a landlord from applying a security deposit to satisfy COVID-19 rental debt, or applying a monthly rent payment to any COVID-19 rental debt other than the prospective month's rent, unless the tenant agrees in writing to allow the landlord to apply that security deposit or monthly rent payment in that manner.

This bill would extend operation of these requirements from January 31, 2021, to June 30, 2021. The bill, for notices provided on or after February 1, 2021, would revise the content of the text required to be included in the notice. The bill would also extend the duty of the Department of Real Estate to make available an official translation of that text to February 15, 2021.

This bill, on or before February 28, 2021, would require a landlord to provide an additional notice to tenants who, as of February 1, 2021, have not paid one or more rental payments that came due between March 1, 2020, and June 30, 2021. The bill would prohibit a landlord from serving specified notices demanding payment of rent until the landlord has provided this notice.

This bill would establish a program for providing rental assistance, using funding made available pursuant to the above-described federal law, administered by HCD. In this regard, the bill would appropriate \$1,500,000,000 from the federal Trust Fund to HCD for these purposes, permitting up to 10% of these funds to be used for administrative costs. The bill would specify eligible uses of funds allocated to grantees under these provisions, consistent with the above-described federal requirements. The bill would provide that assistance provided to an eligible household under these provisions would be deemed to be a "source of income" for purposes of the housing discrimination protections provided under the California Fair Employment and Housing Act, but would otherwise not be deemed to be income for purposes of the Personal Income Tax Law or used to determine the eligibility of an eligible household, or member of an eligible household, for any state program or local program financed wholly or in part by state funds. The bill would authorize HCD to adopt, amend, and repeal rules, guidelines, or procedures to implement these provisions and exempt those rules, guidelines, and procedures from the rulemaking provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act.

This bill would provide for the allocation of block grant funds to localities, as defined, that meet certain population requirements. The bill would require an eligible grantee under these provisions to request that allocation from HCD by February 12, 2021, and require HCD to complete the initial allocation of these funds no later than February 19, 2021. The bill would further require the grantee to contractually obligate 65% of those funds by June 1, 2021, and to expend the full amount of that allocation by August 1, 2021. If the grantee does not contractually obligate or expend the required amount of allocation by those dates, the bill would require the grantee to repay any

unused amount of block grant funds and would require HCD to reallocate those funds, as provided.

This bill would also provide for the allocation of funds to counties with a population less than or equal to 200,000 and to localities that were eligible for, but did not receive, a direct allocation of assistance under the above-described federal law, or that were eligible for, but did not receive, block grant funds from HCD under this bill's provisions. The bill would authorize a federally recognized tribe, as defined, that receives rental assistance funds under the above-described federal law to add that direct allocation to the funds administered by HCD, as provided. The bill would authorize HCD to contract with a vendor to serve as program implementer, in accordance with specified requirements, to manage and fund services and distribute emergency rental assistance resources, as provided. The bill would require an eligible grantee to contractually obligate those funds by July 31, 2021, and would, except with respect to any funds administered on behalf of a federally recognized tribe, authorize HCD to reallocate funds not contractually obligated by that date to other grantees that meet certain requirements.

This bill, in any legal action to recover rent or other financial obligations under a lease that accrued between April 1, 2020, and June 30, 2021, would require, before any entry of judgment in the plaintiff's favor, that the plaintiff verify certain information, under penalty of perjury, relating to state rental assistance. The bill, in any unlawful detainer action seeking possession of residential rental property based on nonpayment of rent or any other financial obligation under the lease, would similarly prohibit the court from entering judgment in favor of the landlord unless the landlord verifies certain information, under penalty of perjury, relating to state rental assistance. By expanding the scope of the crime of perjury, the bill would impose a state-local program.

This bill would require each grantee to provide HCD information relating to all applicable performance metrics. The bill would provide that funds provided are subject to the same reporting and verification requirements specified in the above-described federal law and, in addition, require the grantee to provide any other information HCD deems necessary for these purposes. The bill would require that a grantee ensure, to the extent feasible, that any assistance provided to an eligible household is not duplicative of any other state-funded assistance provided to that eligible household. The bill would require HCD to submit a monthly report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee, containing specified information, for the duration of the rental assistance program.

This bill, notwithstanding this limitation, would require the Controller to draw a warrant for any claim submitted by HCD to advance the payment of funds to a vendor selected to serve as program implementer for purposes of the above-described rental assistance program. The bill would require the vendor to serve as the fiscal agent on behalf of HCD and be responsible for maintaining all records of claims for audit purposes. The bill would specify

that these provisions would remain operative so long as funds are made available pursuant to the above-described rental assistance program or as otherwise provided under federal law.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 12/16/2020  
**Last Amend:** 01/25/2021  
**Status:** 01/29/2021 Signed by GOVERNOR.  
01/29/2021 Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 2021-002  
**Department:** Budget, COVID-19, CityAttorney, Finance, Housing, PAC  
**Position:** Watch  
**Priority:** StatePriority

#### 49. CA SB 98

**Author:** [McGuire \(D\)](#)  
**Coauthor** [Portantino \(D\), Wiener \(D\), Carrillo \(D\), Wicks \(D\), Gonzalez \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Public Peace: Media Access](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Committee:** Senate Appropriations Committee  
**Hearing:** 03/22/2021 9:00 am, John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)  
**Code Section:** An act to add Section 409.7 to the Penal Code, relating to public safety.  
**Summary:** Requires that specified media be allowed to enter specified closed areas and prohibits a peace officer or other law enforcement officer from intentionally assaulting, interfering with, or obstructing a duly authorized representative who is gathering, receiving, or processing information for communication to the public. Prohibits a duly authorized representative who is in a closed area from being cited for the failure to disperse, a violation of a curfew, or a violation of other specified laws.  
**Digest:** This bill would, if peace officers close the immediate area surrounding any emergency field command post or establish any other command post, police line, or rolling closure at a demonstration, march, protest, or rally where individuals are engaged primarily in constitutionally protected activity, as described, require that a duly authorized representative of any news service, online news service, newspaper, or radio or television station or network, as described, be allowed to enter those closed areas and would prohibit a peace officer or other law enforcement officer from intentionally assaulting, interfering with, or obstructing a duly authorized representative who is gathering, receiving, or processing information for communication to the public. The bill would also prohibit a duly authorized representative who is in

a closed area from being cited for the failure to disperse, a violation of a curfew, or a violation of other, specified law. The bill would require that if a representative is detained by a peace officer or other law enforcement officer, the representative be permitted to contact a supervisory officer immediately for the purpose of challenging the detention.

**Introduced:** 12/22/2020

**Status:** 03/09/2021 From SENATE Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS. (3-0)

**Department:** CityAttorney, PAC, PD

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 50. CA SB 106

**Author:** [Umberg \(D\)](#)

**Title:** Mental Health Services Act: Innovative Programs

**Fiscal Committee:** no

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Senate Rules Committee

**Code Section:** An act [to amend Section 5830 of, and to add Section 5831 to, the Welfare and Institutions Code](#), relating to mental health.

**Summary:** Amends the Mental Health Services Act by authorizing counties to expend funds for their innovative programs without approval by the commission if the program is establishing or expanding a program implementing the full-service partnership model, as defined.

**Digest:** This bill would amend the MHSA by authorizing counties to expend funds for their innovative programs without approval by the commission if the program is establishing or expanding a program implementing the full-service partnership model, as defined.

This bill would state the finding and declaration of the Legislature that this change is consistent with, and furthers the intent of, the MHSA.

**Introduced:** 01/05/2021

**Last Amend:** 03/10/2021

**Status:** 03/10/2021 From SENATE Committee on RULES with author's amendments.

03/10/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on RULES.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, PAC, PD, Parks

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Homelessness

## 51. CA SB 210

**Author:** [Wiener \(D\)](#)  
**Coauthor** [Wieckowski \(D\)](#), [Stone \(D\)](#), [Ting \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Automated License Plate Recognition Systems: Data Use](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Committee:** Senate Judiciary Committee  
**Hearing:** 03/23/2021 1:30 pm, Senate Chamber  
**Code Section:** An act to amend Sections 1798.90.51, 1798.90.52, and 1798.90.53 of, and to add ~~Section~~ [Sections](#) 1798.90.56 [and 1798.90.57](#) to, the Civil Code, relating to personal information.

**Summary:** Includes in usage and privacy policies a requirement that Automated License Plate Recognition (ALPR) data that does not match a hot list be destroyed within 24 hours. Provides an exception for public agencies subject to a provision relating to electronic toll and transit fare collection systems. Prohibits public agencies from accessing ALPR data that is more than 24 hours old. Provides record keeping and audit requirements.

**Digest:** This bill would include in those usage and privacy policies a requirement that, if the ALPR operator or ALPR end-user is a public agency and not subject to a specified provision relating to electronic toll collection and electronic transit fare collection systems, ALPR data that does not match a hot list be destroyed within 24 hours.

This bill would additionally require those procedures and practices to include an annual audit to review ALPR end-user searches during the previous year and, where the ALPR operator or ALPR end-user is a public agency and not subject to a specified provision relating to electronic toll collection and electronic transit fare collection systems, the destruction of all ALPR information that does not match information on a hot list within 24 hours. The bill would also prohibit, except as specified, an ALPR operator or an ALPR end-user that is a public agency from accessing an ALPR system that contains ALPR information that is more than 24 hours old.

This bill would extend the requirement to keep a record of access to ALPR information to an ALPR end-user. The bill would additionally require an ALPR operator or an ALPR end-user that accesses or provides access to ALPR information to conduct an annual audit to review ALPR end-user searches during the previous year and to confirm that, if the ALPR operator or ALPR end-user is a public agency and not subject to a specified provision relating to electronic toll collection and electronic transit fare collection systems, all ALPR information that does not match a hot list is routinely

destroyed in 24 hours or less. The bill would require these annual audits be made available to the public in writing, and, if the ALPR operator or ALPR end-user has an internet website, would require the annual audits be posted conspicuously on that internet website.

This bill would require the Department of Justice, on or before July 1, 2022, to draft and make available on its internet website a policy template and would permit local law enforcement agencies to use the template as a model for their ALPR policies. The bill would also require the Department of Justice to develop and issue guidance to help local law enforcement agencies identify and evaluate the types of data they are currently storing in their ALPR database systems.

**Introduced:** 01/12/2021

**Last Amend:** 03/05/2021

**Status:** 03/05/2021 From SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY with author's amendments.  
03/05/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on JUDICIARY.

**Department:** CityAttorney, IT, PD

**Position:** Oppose, Oppose

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 52. CA SB 222

**Author:** [Dodd \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor** [Bloom \(D\)](#), [Rivas R \(D\)](#), [Gonzalez \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Water Affordability Assistance Program](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee

**Code Section:** An act to add Chapter 6.5 (commencing with Section 116930) to Part 12 of Division 104 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to water.

**Summary:** Establishes the Water Affordability Assistance Fund in the State Treasury to help provide water affordability assistance, for both drinking water and wastewater services, to low-income ratepayers and ratepayers experiencing economic hardship in California.

**Digest:** This bill would establish the Water Affordability Assistance Fund in the State Treasury to help provide water affordability assistance, for both drinking water and wastewater services, to low-income ratepayers and ratepayers experiencing economic hardship in California. The bill would make moneys in the fund available upon appropriation by the Legislature to the state board to provide, as part of the Water Affordability Assistance Program established by the bill, direct water bill assistance, water bill credits, water crisis

assistance, affordability assistance, and short-term assistance to public water systems to administer program components. The bill would impose requirements on the state board in connection with the program, including, among others, developing guidelines and fund oversight procedures for implementation of the program by January 1, 2023, consulting with an advisory group, and adopting an annual fund expenditure plan.

The bill would require, by July 1, 2022, the Public Utilities Commission to establish a mechanism for electrical corporations and gas corporations to, and would authorize the state board to require local publicly owned electric utilities and local publicly owned gas utilities to, regularly share specified customer data with the state board, subject to certain confidentiality protections. To the extent this provision would impose new requirements on local publicly owned electric utilities and local publicly owned gas utilities, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 01/14/2021  
**Status:** 02/08/2021 Withdrawn from SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.  
02/08/2021 Re-referred to SENATE Committees on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS and ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.  
**Department:** EU  
**Position:** Watch  
**Priority:** StatePriority

### 53. CA SB 223

**Author:** [Dodd \(D\)](#)  
**Coauthor** [Bloom \(D\)](#), [Rivas R \(D\)](#), [Gonzalez \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Discontinuation of Residential Water Service](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee  
**Code Section:** An act to amend Sections 116902, 116904, 116906, 116908, 116910, 116912, 116914, 116916, 116918, 116920, 116922, and 116926 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to water.  
**Summary:** Revises the conditions under which urban and community water systems and very small community water systems are prohibited from discontinuing residential service for nonpayment. Prohibits these systems from discontinuing residential service for nonpayment during a state or local emergency.

**Digest:** This bill would apply those provisions, on and after July 1, 2022, to a very small community water system, defined as a public water system that supplies water to 200 or fewer service connections used by year-long residents. The bill would require the written policy on discontinuation of residential service for nonpayment to include an arrearage management plan, as specified, and, for those systems that provide water audits or have the capacity to do so, to include a free water audit offered to low-income households with water usage that is above the annual average volume usage of their customer class.

The bill would require the board to provide technical assistance to very small community water systems, as appropriate, to assist with compliance with these requirements and to establish a bridge loan program to assist very small community water systems that may suffer revenue loss or delayed collection while complying with these requirements. The bill would also require the board to develop a template for a written policy on discontinuation of residential service for nonpayment, on or before September 1, 2022, to aid very small community water systems in complying with the requirement to have a written policy on discontinuation of residential service for nonpayment.

This bill would revise the conditions under which urban and community water systems and very small community water systems are prohibited from discontinuing residential service for nonpayment. The bill would prohibit these systems from discontinuing residential service for nonpayment during a state or local emergency. The bill would prohibit these systems from discontinuing residential water service for nonpayment until a payment by a customer has been delinquent for at least 120, rather than 60, days and the total amount of the delinquency, exclusive of late charges and interest, is at least \$400. The bill would also prohibit these systems from discontinuing residential water service for nonpayment to a master-metered multifamily residence with at least 4 units or to a master-metered mobilehome park.

This bill would instead require an urban and community water system and very small community water system to waive fees for disconnection and reconnection of service for those customers.

This bill would additionally authorize the board to issue an order to an urban and community water system or very small community water system to enforce these requirements, or to seek an injunction, as specified.

**Introduced:** 01/14/2021

**Status:** To SENATE Committees on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND  
01/28/2021 COMMUNICATIONS and ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY and  
JUDICIARY.  
01/28/2021 In SENATE. Rescinds referral to Committee on JUDICIARY due  
to limitations concerning COVID-19 virus.

**Department:** EU

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 54. CA SB 261

**Author:** [Allen \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Regional Transportation Plans: Sustainable Communities](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Committee:** Senate Environmental Quality Committee

**Hearing:** 03/15/2021 9:00 am, John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)

**Code Section:** An act to amend Section 65080 of the Government Code, relating to transportation.

**Summary:** Requires that the sustainable communities strategy be developed to additionally achieve greenhouse gas emission reduction targets for the automobile and light truck sector for 2045 and 2050 and vehicle miles traveled reduction targets for 2035, 2045, and 2050 established by the State Air Resources Board.

**Digest:** This bill would require that the sustainable communities strategy be developed to additionally achieve greenhouse gas emission reduction targets for the automobile and light truck sector for 2045 and 2050 and vehicle miles traveled reduction targets for 2035, 2045, and 2050 established by the board. The bill would make various conforming changes to integrate those additional targets into regional transportation plans.

This bill would require, rather than encourage, the metropolitan planning organization to work with the state board for that purpose. The bill would require the metropolitan planning organization to, at least 90 days before adopting a sustainable communities strategy, submit to the state board for review a draft sustainable communities strategy, and to respond to any comments on the draft it receives from the state board.

This bill would require that the sustainable communities strategy be submitted within 60 days of adoption. The bill would require the state board to reject the metropolitan planning organization's determination that the strategy submitted would achieve the greenhouse gas emission vehicle miles traveled reduction targets if it determines that certain criteria are met.

This bill would require each city, county, or city and county to biennially report to its metropolitan planning organization the number of housing and jobs, and transit supportive infrastructure, existing and planned, that demonstrates implementation of strategies included in the applicable sustainable communities strategy, as specified.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

**Introduced:** 01/27/2021

**Status:** 03/15/2021 **From SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY:  
Do pass to Committee on TRANSPORTATION.**

**Department:** Development Svcs, Fleet, Housing

**Position:** Oppose

**Priority:** State Priority

## 55. CA SB 278

**Author:** [Leyva \(D\)](#)

**Title:** PERS: Disallowed Compensation: Benefit Adjustments

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Senate Judiciary Committee

**Code Section:** An act to add Section 20164.5 to the Government Code, relating to public employees' retirement.

**Summary:** Relates to the PERS (Public Employees' Retirement System). Establishes new procedures under PERL (Public Employees' Retirement Law) for cases in which PERS determines that the benefits of a member or annuitant are, or would be, based on disallowed compensation that conflicts with PEPRA (Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013) and other specified laws and thus impermissible under PERL.

**Digest:** This bill would establish new procedures under PERL for cases in which PERS determines that the benefits of a member or annuitant are, or would be, based on disallowed compensation that conflicts with PEPRA and other specified laws and thus impermissible under PERL. The bill would also apply these procedures retroactively to determinations made on or after January 1, 2017, if an appeal has been filed and the employee member, survivor, or beneficiary has not exhausted their administrative or legal remedies. At the threshold, after determining that compensation for an employee member reported by the state, school employer, or a contracting agency is disallowed, the bill would require the applicable employer to discontinue the reporting of the disallowed compensation. The bill would require that contributions made on the disallowed compensation, for active members, be credited against future contributions on behalf of the state, school employer, or contracting agency that reported the disallowed compensation and would require that the state, school employer, or contracting agency return to the member any contributions paid by the member or on the member's behalf.

The bill would authorize the state, a school employer, as specified, or a contracting agency, as applicable, to submit to the system an additional compensation item proposed to be included or contained in a memorandum of understanding or collective bargaining agreement on and after January 1, 2022, that is intended to form the basis of a pension benefit calculation in order for PERS to review its consistency with PEPRA and other laws, as specified, and would require PERS to provide guidance regarding the review within 90 days, as specified. The bill would require PERS to publish notices regarding proposed compensation language submitted to the system for review and the guidance given by the system that is connected with it. For educational entities that participate in the system, the final responsibility for funding payments to the system and to retired members, survivors, and beneficiaries would belong to the educational entity that is the actual employer of the employee. The bill would make related legislative findings and declarations.

This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.

**Introduced:** 01/29/2021

**Status:** From SENATE Committee on LABOR, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT  
03/08/2021 AND RETIREMENT: Do pass to Committee on JUDICIARY. (5-0)

**Department:** CityAttorney, Finance, HR

**Position:** Oppose

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 56. CA SB 289

**Author:** [Newman \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor:** [Becker \(D\)](#), [Mullin \(D\)](#), [Berman \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Recycling: Batteries and Battery-Embedded Products](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Senate Rules Committee

**Code Section:** [An act to ~~amend Section 42450 of~~ add Sections 42457 and 42499.5 to, to add Chapter 7.5 \(commencing with Section 42420\) to Part 3 of Division 30 of, to repeal Chapter 8.4 \(commencing with Section 42451\) of Part 3 of Division 30 of, and to repeal Chapter 8.6 \(commencing with Section 42490\) of Part 3 of Division 30 of, the Public Resources Code, relating to recycling.](#)

**Summary:** Repeals the Rechargeable Battery Recycling Act of 2006 and the Cell Phone Recycling Act of 2004 as of a certain date. Enacts the Battery and Battery-Embedded Product Recycling and Fire Risk Reduction Act of 2021. Requires certain producers to establish a stewardship program for batteries and battery-embedded products. Requires the Department of Resources

**Digest:**

Recycling and Recovery to make certain postings on its website. Establishes a certain Fund. Provides for expenditures, enforcement, and penalties.

This bill would make the Rechargeable Battery Recycling Act of 2006 and the Cell Phone Recycling Act of 2004 inoperative as of June 30, 2025, and would repeal those acts as of January 1, 2026. The bill would enact the Battery and Battery-Embedded Product Recycling and Fire Risk Reduction Act of 2021, which would require producers, as defined, either individually or through the creation of one or more stewardship organizations, to establish a stewardship program for batteries and battery-embedded products. The bill would require a stewardship organization or producer, on or before June 30, 2024, to submit to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery a stewardship plan for the collection, transportation, and recycling, and the safe and proper management, of batteries or battery-embedded products in the state. The bill would require the plan to include specified elements, including a collection system for batteries and battery-embedded products with a specified minimum distribution of collection sites and a funding mechanism to provide sufficient funding for implementation of the plan. The bill would provide for review and approval of the stewardship plan by the department and any other state agency with relevant jurisdiction and would require the stewardship organization or producer to fully implement its stewardship program on or before June 30, 2025.

The bill would require the department, on or before July 1, 2025, and each year thereafter, to post on its internet website a list of producers, brands, and batteries and battery-embedded products that are in compliance with the bill. The bill would prohibit a retailer or distributor from selling, distributing, offering for sale, or importing a battery or battery-embedded product in or into the state unless the producer of the battery or battery-embedded product is listed as in compliance on that list for that brand and battery or battery-embedded product, except as specified.

The bill would require a stewardship organization or producer to quarterly reimburse the department and any other relevant state agency for their respective reasonable regulatory costs that are directly related to implementing and enforcing the bill in relation to the stewardship organization's or producer's activities. The bill would require the department and each state agency to deposit those moneys into the Battery and Battery-Embedded Product Recycling Fund, which the bill would establish, and would authorize the department and any other relevant state agency to expend those moneys, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to administer and enforce the stewardship program.

The bill would provide for enforcement of its provisions, including authorizing the department to impose an administrative civil penalty on a stewardship organization, producer, manufacturer, distributor, retailer, importer, recycler, or collection site in violation of the bill not to exceed \$10,000 per day, unless the violation is intentional, knowing, or reckless, then in that case not to exceed \$50,000 per day. The bill would require the department to deposit those moneys into the Battery and Battery-Embedded Product Recycling Penalty Account, which the bill would establish in the fund, and would

require the department to expend those moneys, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to administer and enforce the stewardship program. The bill would require the department, by January 1, 2023, to adopt regulations to implement the bill.

This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 02/01/2021  
**Last Amend:** 03/07/2021  
**Status:** 03/07/2021 From SENATE Committee on RULES with author's amendments.  
03/07/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on RULES.  
**Department:** EU  
**Position:** Support  
**Priority:** StatePriority

## 57. CA SB 323

**Author:** [Caballero \(D\)](#)  
**Coauthor:** [Hurtado \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Local Government: Water or Sewer Service: Legal Actions](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** no  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Committee:** Senate Governance and Finance Committee  
**Hearing:** 03/25/2021, John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)  
**Code Section:** An act to add Article 4.7 (commencing with Section 53759) to Chapter 4 of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5 of the Government Code, relating to local government.  
**Summary:** Applies the same judicial action procedure and timelines, as stated in existing law, to ordinances, resolutions, or motions adopting, modifying, or amending water or sewer service fees or charges, except as provided.  
**Digest:** This bill would apply the same judicial action procedure and timelines, as stated above, to ordinances, resolutions, or motions adopting, modifying, or amending water or sewer service fees or charges, except as provided.  
**Introduced:** 02/05/2021  
**Status:** 02/22/2021 In SENATE. Article IV. Section 8(a) of the Constitution dispensed with.  
02/22/2021 In SENATE. Joint Rule 55 suspended.

02/22/2021 To SENATE Committees on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE  
and JUDICIARY.

**Department:** CityAttorney, EU, Finance

**Position:** Support

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 58. CA SB 341

**Author:** [McGuire \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor** [Nielsen \(R\), Dahle \(R\), Levine \(D\), Wood \(D\), Glazer \(D\), Berman \(D\), Dodd \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Telecommunications Service: Outages](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Committee:** Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee

**Hearing:** 03/15/2021, Senate Chamber

**Code Section:** An act to amend Section 53122 of the Government Code, and to add Sections 776.2 and 914.8 to the Public Utilities Code, relating to telecommunications.

**Summary:** Requires each provider of telecommunications service to maintain on its internet website a public outage map showing that provider's outages, and would require the Office of Emergency Services, in consultation with the Public Utilities Commission, on or before a date specified, to adopt by regulation requirements for those maps, as specified.

**Digest:** This bill would require each provider of telecommunications service to maintain on its internet website a public outage map showing that provider's outages, and would require the office, in consultation with the Public Utilities Commission, on or before July 1, 2022, to adopt by regulation requirements for those maps, as specified. The bill would require the office to provide the commission with all of the information provided to it as part of a telecommunications service provider's community isolation outage notification and to aggregate that data and post that aggregated data on its internet website. The bill would require the commission to annually report to the Legislature on the commission's actions taken based on that information provided by the office.

This bill would require the commission, in consultation with the office, to develop and implement backup electrical supply rules to require providers of telecommunications service to maintain backup electrical supply for their telecommunications infrastructure sufficient to maintain telecommunications service for at least 72 hours, except as provided.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 02/09/2021

**Status:** 02/22/2021 In SENATE. Article IV. Section 8(a) of the Constitution dispensed with.  
02/22/2021 In SENATE. Joint Rule 55 suspended.  
02/22/2021 To SENATE Committees on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS and GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION.

**Department:** IT

**Position:** Support

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 59. CA SB 378

**Author:** [Gonzalez \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor** [Hertzberg \(D\)](#), [Wiener \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Local Government: Broadband Infrastructure Development](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Senate Governance and Finance Committee

**Code Section:** An act to add Sections 65964.5 and 65964.6 to the Government Code, relating to local government.

**Summary:** Authorizes a provider of fiber facilities to determine the method of the installation of fiber. Prohibits a local agency from prohibiting, or unreasonably discriminating in favor of or against the use of, aerial installations, open trenching or boring, or microtrenching, but would authorize a local agency to prohibit aerial deployment of fiber where no aboveground utilities exist due to Electric Tariff Rule 20 or other existing underground requirements.

**Digest:** This bill would authorize a provider of fiber facilities to determine the method of the installation of fiber. The bill would prohibit a local agency, as defined, from prohibiting, or unreasonably discriminating in favor of or against the use of, aerial installations, open trenching or boring, or microtrenching, but would authorize a local agency to prohibit aerial deployment of fiber where no aboveground utilities exist due to Electric Tariff Rule 20 or other existing underground requirements.

This bill would require a local agency to allow fiber to be installed in the same fashion as the existing aboveground utilities where aboveground utilities are present. The bill would provide that this provision controls over any undergrounding ordinance adopted by the local agency that requires all utilities to bury existing overhead facilities pursuant the Overhead Conversion Program established by the commission pursuant to Electric

Tariff Rule 20. The bill would require a local agency to allow microtrenching for the installation of underground fiber if the installation in the microtrench is limited to fiber. By imposing new duties on local agencies with regard to the installation of fiber, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

This bill would authorize a city or county to impose on an applicant for a permit for a broadband infrastructure development project a reasonable fee for costs associated with the submission, and the expedited review, processing, and approval of an application, including, but not limited to, personnel costs as necessary, if the applicant elects for the expedited review and processing and agrees to pay that fee.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 02/10/2021

**Status:** 02/22/2021 In SENATE. Article IV. Section 8(a) of the Constitution dispensed with.

02/22/2021 In SENATE. Joint Rule 55 suspended.

02/22/2021 To SENATE Committees on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE and ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMERCE.

**Department:** CityAttorney, IT, Planning

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

## 60. CA SB 387

**Author:** [Portantino \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor** [Daly \(D\), Cooper \(D\), Low \(D\), O'Donnell \(D\), Grayson \(D\), Stern \(D\), Bauer-Kahan \(D\), Caballero \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Peace Officers: Certification, Education, Recruitment](#)

**Fiscal Committee:** yes

**Urgency Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Location:** Senate Public Safety Committee

**Code Section:** An act to amend Section 13510.1 of, and to add Section 13511.1 to, the Penal Code, relating to peace officers.

**Summary:** Requires the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training to work with stakeholders from law enforcement, the University of California, the California State University, the California Community Colleges, and community organizations to develop a list of courses to include as requirements for obtaining a basic certificate. Requires an applicant for a basic certificate to complete those courses before obtaining the certificate.

**Digest:** This bill would require the commission to work with stakeholders from law enforcement, the University of California, the California State University, the

California Community Colleges, and community organizations to develop a list of courses to include as requirements for obtaining a basic certificate, as specified. The bill would require an applicant for a basic certificate to complete those courses before obtaining the certificate. By imposing additional training costs on local law enforcement agencies, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

The bill would also establish the Statewide Law Enforcement Education Fund, and make moneys in the fund available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for providing financial support towards a higher education degree for individuals that commit to pursuing a law enforcement career. The bill would require the commission to establish statewide recruitment teams for purposes of actively recruiting elementary and secondary school pupils to pursue careers in law enforcement and performing education and outreach within schools.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.

**Introduced:** 02/11/2021  
**Status:** 02/25/2021 To SENATE Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY.  
**Department:** HR, PD  
**Position:** Support  
**Priority:** StatePriority

## 61. CA SB 427

**Author:** [Eggman \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Water Theft: Enhanced Penalties](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** no  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** Senate Governance and Finance Committee  
**Code Section:** An act to add Section 53069.45 to the Government Code, relating to local government.  
**Summary:** Authorizes the legislative body of a city or a county to make, by ordinance, any violation of an ordinance regarding water theft, as defined, subject to an administrative fine or penalty in excess of the limitations specified in existing law.  
**Digest:** This bill would authorize the legislative body of a city or a county to make, by ordinance, any violation of an ordinance regarding water theft, as defined, subject to an administrative fine or penalty in excess of the limitations above, as specified.

**Introduced:** 02/12/2021  
**Status:** 02/25/2021 To SENATE Committees on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE and PUBLIC SAFETY.  
**Department:** CityAttorney, EU  
**Position:** Support  
**Priority:** StatePriority

## 62. CA SB 556

**Author:** [Dodd \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Utility Poles and Support Structures: Attachments](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications Committee  
**Code Section:** An act to amend Section 9510.5 of the Public Utilities Code, relating to communications.  
**Summary:** Revises the definition of a utility pole to include an electrical transmission tower, while continuing to exclude an electrical pole, but not an electrical transmission tower, used solely for the transmission of electricity at 50 kilovolts or higher.  
**Digest:** This bill would revise the definition of a utility pole to include an electrical transmission tower, while continuing to exclude an electrical pole, but not an electrical transmission tower, used solely for the transmission of electricity at 50 kilovolts or higher. By placing additional requirements upon local publicly owned electric utilities, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.  
  
This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 02/18/2021  
**Status:** 03/03/2021 To SENATE Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS.  
**Department:** Electric, Fire, IT, PW, Planning  
**Position:** Oppose  
**Priority:** StatePriority

## 63. CA SB 621

**Author:** [Eggman \(D\)](#)  
**Coauthor** [Caballero \(D\)](#), [Quirk-Silva \(D\)](#), [Gipson \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Conversion of Motels and Hotels: Streamlining](#)

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| <b>Urgency Clause:</b>   | no                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Disposition:</b>      | Pending                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Location:</b>         | Senate Housing Committee                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Code Section:</b>     | An act to add Section 65913.5 to the Government Code, relating to land use.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Summary:</b>          | Authorizes a development proponent to submit an application for a development for the complete conversion, as defined, of a structure with a certificate of occupancy as a motel or hotel into multifamily housing units to be subject to a streamlined, ministerial approval process, provided that development proponent reserves an unspecified percentage of the proposed housing units for lower income households, unless a local government has affordability requirements that exceed these requirements.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Digest:</b>           | <p>This bill would authorize a development proponent to submit an application for a development for the complete conversion, as defined, of a structure with a certificate of occupancy as a motel or hotel into multifamily housing units to be subject to a streamlined, ministerial approval process, provided that development proponent reserves an unspecified percentage of the proposed housing units for lower income households, unless a local government has affordability requirements that exceed these requirements. The bill would require the structure proposed to be converted be vacant for at least 6 months prior to the submission of the application, except as provided. The bill would require the development proponent to comply with specified requirements regarding the payment of prevailing rate or per diem wages for construction work related to the part of the development that is a public work and the use of a skilled and trained workforce on the development, except as provided. The bill would not apply to a hotel or motel conversion on a site that is in a coastal zone, as defined. The bill would require a local government to notify the development proponent in writing if the local government determines that the development conflicts with any of these objective standards within 30 days of submitting a complete application; otherwise, the development would be deemed to comply with those standards.</p> <p>This bill would restrict a local government' s authority to impose automobile parking standards for a development subject to these provisions and would prohibit imposition of parking standards for a project that is located within specified areas. The bill would prohibit a local government from imposing any standard requiring a minimum or maximum unit size. The bill would prohibit a local government from imposing any density restriction on a development subject to these provisions, except that the total number of housing units created by the conversion shall not exceed the total number of units offered by the hotel or motel.</p> |

The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.

This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.

**Introduced:** 02/18/2021

**Status:** In SENATE. Rescinds referral to Committee on  
03/04/2021 ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY due to limitations concerning  
COVID-19 virus.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, PAC, Planning

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Homelessness, Housing

## 64. CA SB 678

**Author:** [Rubio \(D\)](#)

**Coauthor** [Caballero \(D\)](#), [Durazo \(D\)](#), [Santiago \(D\)](#)

**Title:** [Unaccompanied Women Experiencing Homelessness Act](#)

**Fiscal  
Committee:** yes

**Urgency  
Clause:** no

**Disposition:** Pending

**Committee:** Senate Human Services Committee

**Hearing:** 03/23/2021 1:30 pm, John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)

**Code  
Section:** An act to amend Section 8257 of, and to add Chapter 8 (commencing with  
Section 8270) to Division 8 of, the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to  
homelessness.

**Summary:** Requires the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to assume additional responsibilities, including setting specific, measurable goals aimed at preventing and ending homelessness among unaccompanied women in the state and defining outcome measures and gathering data related to those goals. Requires the council to coordinate with certain stakeholders and, to the extent that funding is made available, provide technical assistance and program development support.

**Digest:** This bill would require the council to assume additional responsibilities, including setting specific, measurable goals aimed at preventing and ending homelessness among unaccompanied women in the state and defining outcome measures and gathering data related to those goals. The bill would also require the council, in order to coordinate a spectrum of funding, policy, and practice efforts related to unaccompanied women experiencing homelessness, to coordinate with certain stakeholders and, to the extent that funding is made available, provide technical assistance and program development support.

**Introduced:** 02/19/2021  
**Status:** 03/03/2021 To SENATE Committees on HUMAN SERVICES and HOUSING.  
**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, PAC, PD  
**Position:** Watch  
**Priority:** StatePriority  
**Subject:** Homelessness

## 65. CA SB 809

**Author:** [Allen \(D\)](#)  
**Coauthor** [Garcia E \(D\)](#)  
**Title:** [Multijurisdictional Regional Agreements: Housing](#)  
**Fiscal Committee:** yes  
**Urgency Clause:** no  
**Disposition:** Pending  
**Location:** Senate Rules Committee  
**Code Section:** [An act ~~relating to regional housing trusts~~, to add and repeal Section 65583.4 of the Government Code, relating to land use.](#)  
**Summary:** Authorizes a city or county to satisfy part of its requirement to identify zones suitable for residential development by adopting and implementing a multijurisdictional regional agreement.  
**Digest:** This bill would authorize a city or county to satisfy part of its requirement to identify zones suitable for residential development by adopting and implementing a multijurisdictional regional agreement. The bill would require the multijurisdictional regional agreement to clearly establish the jurisdiction that is contributing suitable land for residential development and the jurisdiction or jurisdictions that are contributing funding for that development. The bill would require that a multijurisdictional regional agreement be between 2 or more cities or counties that are located within the same county or within adjacent counties.

This bill would require a jurisdiction that is a party to a multijurisdictional regional agreement under these provisions to provide specified information in its housing element, including how the multijurisdictional regional agreement will satisfy the jurisdiction's housing need for a designated income level. The bill would prohibit the jurisdictions that are a party to a multijurisdictional regional agreement from claiming an aggregate capacity in an amount greater than the actual capacity created by the housing development subject to the agreement.

The bill would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2030.

The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.

**Introduced:** 02/19/2021

**Last Amend:** 03/10/2021

**Status:** 03/10/2021 From SENATE Committee on RULES with author's amendments.

03/10/2021 In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on RULES.

**Department:** CityAttorney, Housing, PAC, Planning

**Position:** Watch

**Priority:** StatePriority

**Subject:** Housing