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AB 1

Perez, John A. (D-46th)

Status: Assembly Inactive File

Description: Would appropriate \$60.0 million for CalWORKs Stage 3 Child Care services. The bill would also require that funds be directed to families that were receiving, or would have been eligible to receive, CalWORKs Stage 3 Child Care services, before or after October 31, 2010 and through March 31, 2011. The bill contains an urgency clause and would be effective immediately upon the Governor's signature.

County Position: **Support**

Support: Los Angeles County

State Update: 2/7/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1&sess=CUR&house=B&author=john_a._perez

AB 6

Fuentes, Felipe (D-39th)

Status: Set for hearing in the Senate Appropriation on 08/15/2011

Description: Would: 1) eliminate the Statewide Fingerprint Imaging System requirement for CalWORKs and CalFresh; 2) repeal the quarterly reporting requirement for CalWORKs and CalFresh and require semi-annual reporting for these programs; and 3) require the State to develop and implement a utility assistance initiative for CalFresh recipients.

County Position: **Oppose Unless Amended**

Support: California Food Policy Advocates; Western Center on Law and Poverty; Los Angeles Regional Food Bank; California Association of Food Banks; California Catholic Conference; California Grocers Association and others

State Update: 4/1/2011

Opposition: California District Attorneys Association

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_6&sess=CUR&house=B&author=fuentes

AB 19

Fong, Paul (D-22nd)

Status: Failed passage in Assembly Housing and Community Development

Description: Would require a water purveyor that provides water service to a newly constructed multiunit residential structure or newly constructed mixed-use residential and commercial structure, including a structure that is part of a common interest development, to require the installation of a water meter or submeter to measure the water supplied to each individual dwelling unit as a condition of new water service. This would apply to applications for a water connection after January 1, 2014.

County Position: **Support if Amended**

Support: Clean Water Action; Planning and Conservation League; Friends of the River; Sierra Club; Environmental Justice Coalition for Water

State Update: 4/28/2011

Opposition: Apartment Association of Greater Los Angeles; Apartment Association of Orange County; Apartment Association, California Southern Cities; San Francisco Association of Realtors; Utility Conservation Coalition

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_19&sess=CUR&house=B&author=fong

AB 25

Hayashi, Mary (D-18th)

Status: Senate Appropriations

Description: Would establish policies to mitigate the risk of concussions and head injuries for students participating in athletic activities.

County Position: **Support**

Support: The National Football League; Brain Injury Association of California; American Red Cross (California Chapters); California Teachers Association; California Parent Teachers Association; Others

State Update: 3/14/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_25&sess=CUR&house=B&author=hayashi

AB 36

Perea, Henry (D-31)

Status: Chapter 17 of 2011

Description: Would add technical language which would amend the State Personal Income and Corporation Income Tax laws to conform with the Federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010. Specifically, this bill would provide language related to an exclusion from wages of amounts expended for medical care.

County Position: **Support**

Support: Butte County; Merced County; California Chamber of Commerce; California Hospital Association; California Labor Federation; California School Employees Association

State Update: 3/9/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_36&sess=CUR&house=B&author=perea

AB 46

Perez, John A. (D-46th)

Status: Senate Floor

Description: Would require that every city with a population of less than 150 people, as of January 1, 2010, be disincorporated into the city's respective county. The bill would require the disincorporation to take effect 91 days after the effective date of this bill, and requires the local agency formation commission to oversee the terms and conditions of the disincorporation of the city.

County Position: **Support**

Support: Los Angeles County Sheriff; City of Los Angeles; Central City Association; City of Maywood; City of Huntington Park; Coalition for Clean air and others

Board Action: 12/14/2010

Opposition: City of Vernon; Contract Cities Association; League of California Cities Los Angeles County Division; Vernon Chamber of Commerce; Los Angeles County Business Federation; Teamsters Joint Council 42 and others

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_46&sess=CUR&house=B&author=john_a_perez

AB 66

Chesbro, Wesley (D-1st)

Status: Assembly Revenue and Taxation

Description: Would extend the temporary 0.65 percent increase to the Vehicle License Fee to fund local public safety programs. The increase is set to expire on June 30, 2011.

County Position: **Support**

Support: California State Association of Counties; League of California Cities; Urban Counties Caucus; Numerous law enforcement agencies; and others

State Update: 12/29/2010

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_66&sess=CUR&house=B&author=chesbro

AB 73

Feuer, Mike (D-42nd)

Status: Assembly Human Services

Description: As amended on April 14, 2011, establishes a four-year pilot project in three counties to create a presumption that juvenile court hearings in juvenile dependency cases be open to the public, unless the court finds that admitting the public would not be in a child's best interest; among other provisions.

County Position: **Support in Concept**

Support: Los Angeles County (in concept); Ventura County Board of Supervisors; Judicial Council of California; Children's Advocacy Institute; Alliance for Children's Rights and others

State Update: 3/31/2011

Opposition: California Youth Connection (unless amended); California Welfare Directors Association (unless amended); California Public Defenders Association; National Association of Social Workers, California Chapter; Service Employees International Union (SEIU) and others

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_73&sess=CUR&house=B&author=feuer

AB 168

Gorell, Jeff (R-37)

Status: Assembly Public Safety

Description: Would appropriate \$506.4 million from the State General Fund to the Local Safety and Protection Account (LSPA) to fund local public safety programs effective July 1, 2011, for FY 2011-12.

County Position: **Support**

Support: Association for Los Angeles Deputy Sheriffs; California District Attorneys Association; California Peace Officers Association; California Police Chiefs Association; California State Sheriffs' Association

State Update: 4/7/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_168&sess=CUR&house=B&author=gorell

AB 171

Beall, Jim Jr. (D-24th)

Status: Assembly Appropriations Suspense File

Description: Would require that health care service plan contracts and health insurance policies issued, amended, or renewed after January 1, 2012, that provide hospital, medical, or surgical coverage shall provide coverage for the screening, diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorders.

County Position: **Support**

Support: Alliance of California Autism Organizations (sponsor); American Association of University Women California; California Association of Marriage and Family Therapists; California Association of School Psychologists; San Francisco Unified School District and others

Board Action: 4/19/2011

Opposition: America's Health Insurance Plans; Association of California Life & Health Insurance Companies; California Association of Health Plans; California Chamber of Commerce

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_171&sess=CUR&house=B&author=beall

AB 182

Davis, Mike (D-48th)

Status: Governor's Desk

Description: Would amend the Political Reform Act of 1974 to continue an existing pilot program authorizing filing officers for Statements of Economic Interest (Form 700) in the counties of Los Angeles, Merced, Orange, Santa Clara, Stanislaus and Ventura to permit the electronic filing (e-filing) of the form until December 31, 2012. Additionally, this bill would permit the acceptance of electronic filings of Form 700 by all government agencies, starting on January 1, 2013.

County Position: **Support**

Support: California Association of Clerks and Election Officials (sponsor)
Los Angeles County; City of Long Beach;
Orange County Board of Supervisors; Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors; Fair Political Practices Commission; American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees AFL-CIO

State Update: 2/17/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_182&sess=CUR&house=B&author=davis

AB 192

Logue, Dan (R-3rd)

Status: Held in Assembly Revenue & Taxation

Description: Would appropriate \$500.0 million from the State General Fund to the Local Safety and Protection Account (LSPA) to fund local public safety programs beginning on July 1, 2011, and each July 1 thereafter, for a period of five years

County Position: **Support**

Support: California Farm Bureau Federation; State Coalition of Probation Organizations

State Update: 2/1/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_192&sess=CUR&house=B&author=logue

AB 259

Smyth, Cameron (R-38th)

Status: Failed in Public Safety (Reconsideration Granted)

Description: Would amend Government Code Section 27701 to allow a person to be eligible to the office of public defender if he or she is a sitting or retired judge, and as a judge meets specified qualifications, or if he/she was a judicial commissioner, magistrate, referee, or elected public official and meets specified qualifications.

County Position: **County-Sponsored**

Support: Los Angeles County; John Van de Kamp, former District Attorney, California Attorney General, and Federal Public Defender; Law Office of Felipe Plascencia, President of the Mexican American Bar Association Political Action Committee; California Judges Association

Board Action: 8/10/2010

Opposition: California Public Defenders Association; Black Public Defenders' Association; Gay and Lesbian Public Defender Employee Association; Latino Public Defenders Association; Asian Pacific Public Defender's Association; Crime Victims Action Alliance

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_259&sess=CUR&house=B&author=smyth

AB 298

Brownley, Julia (D-41st)

Status: Senate Environmental Quality

Description: Would prohibit a manufacturer or distributor from selling or distributing a reusable bag in California, if the bag is designed or intended to be sold or distributed to a store's customers, unless: 1) the guidelines for cleaning and disinfecting the reusable bag are printed on the bag, or on a tag attached to the bag; and 2) the reusable bag meets specified criteria, including it does not contain lead, cadmium, or other heavy metal in toxic amounts.

County Position: **Support**

Support: Californians Against Waste; Clean Water Action; Environmental Working Group; Heal the Bay; Surfrider Foundation; Seventh Generation Advisors

State Update: 3/14/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_298&sess=CUR&house=B&author=brownley

AB 328**Smyth, Cameron (R-38th)****Status:** Senate Judiciary**Description:** Would apply the doctrine of comparative fault and existing rules governing a party's ability to recover post-offer costs to inverse condemnation actions.**County Position:** **Support****Support:** Los Angeles City Attorney's Office

State Update: 4/19/2011

Opposition: None on File**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_328&sess=CUR&house=B&author=smyth**AB 341****Chesbro, Wesley (D-1st)****Status:** Set for hearing in Senate Appropriations on 8/15/11**Description:** Would: 1) increase the mandatory solid waste diversion rate from 50 percent to 75 percent by January 1, 2020; 2) require the owner or operator of a business that contracts for waste services and generates more than four cubic yards of total waste and recyclable materials per week, to arrange for recycling services; and 3) require enforcement agencies to inform solid waste facility operators that it is requiring a revision in the solid waste facility permit in conjunction with allowing changes in the design or operation of a facility.**County Position:** **Oppose****Support:** Californians Against Waste; California League of Conservation Voters; National Resources Defense Council; Sierra Club California; Ecology Action; Environment California and others.

State Update: 3/14/2011

Opposition: County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors; Burrtec Waste Industries, Inc.; Orange County; Solid Waste Association of North America; Los Angeles County Solid Waste Management Committee; Refuse Recycling Council**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_341&sess=CUR&house=B&author=chesbro

AB 360

Brownley, Julia (D-41st)

Status: Senate Floor

Description: Would state that a charter school is subject to the Ralph M. Brown Act, unless it is operated by an entity governed by the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, in which case the school would be subject to the Bagley-Keene Act and subject to the California Public Records Act.

The amendments of June 15, 2011 remove the problematic provision of concern to the County, related to the Political Reform Act. Specifically the amendments remove a provision stating that the jurisdiction of a non-classroom based charter school that does not have a facility, shall be the county or counties where at least 10 percent of the pupils enrolled in the school reside and if at least 10 percent of the pupils do not reside in a single county, the jurisdiction of the charter school would be the county in which the greatest number of pupils resides. Therefore, the Sacramento advocates will remove the support unless amended position and take no position on this measure.

County Position: No Position

Support: California Child Care Resource and Referral Network; California Commission on the Status of Women; California Labor Federation AFL-CIO; California Women's Law Center; Health Access California and others.

State Update: 4/21/2011

Opposition: California State Association of Counties; Regional Council of Rural Counties,; California Association of Joint Powers Authorities; League of California Cities,; California Special Districts Association; Association of California Healthcare Districts and others

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_360&sess=CUR&house=B&author=brownley

AB 375

Skinner, Nancy (D-14th)

Status: Senate Appropriations

Description: Would expand the presumption of job-related injuries to cover all hospital employees for blood-borne infectious diseases, and Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA). This presumption would exist if the impairment develops or manifests itself during the period of employment with the hospital.

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: California Nurses Association; American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; California Labor Federation; California Professional Firefighters; Consumer Attorneys of California and others

State Update: 3/30/2011

Opposition: California State Association of Counties; California Chamber of Commerce; California Association of Joint Powers Authorities; California Hospital Association; County of San Bernardino, and others

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_375&sess=CUR&house=B&author=skinner

AB 377

Solorio, Jose (D-69th)

Status: Senate Appropriations

Description: Would allow a licensed hospital pharmacy to include a pharmacy physically located outside of the hospital, in either another location on the same premise, or at a separate premise located with a 100-mile radius of the hospital.

County Position: **Support**

Support: California Hospital Association (Sponsor); California Pharmacists Association; California Society of Health-System Pharmacists; Antelope Valley Hospital

State Update: 6/23/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_377&sess=CUR&house=B&author=solorio

AB 396

Mitchell, Holly (D-47)

Status: Senate Appropriations

Description: Would allow counties to draw down Medi-Cal funds to provide reimbursement for the medical treatment of Medi-Cal eligible detained minors who are hospitalized outside of a county's detention facility for more than 24 hours.

County Position: **County-Sponsored**

Support: American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO; California Psychiatric Association; Chief Probation Officers of California; Los Angeles Probation Officers' Union; Riverside Sheriffs' Association; California Public Defenders Association

State Update: 2/24/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_396&sess=CUR&house=B&author=mitchell

AB 400

Ma, Fiona (D-12th)

Status: Held in Assembly Appropriations

Description: Would require employers, including cities, counties, and special districts to provide one hour of paid sick leave for every 30 hours worked. The bill would also require employers to provide paid sick days, upon the request of the employee, for diagnosis, care, or treatment of health conditions of the employee or an employee's family member, or for leave related to domestic violence or sexual assault.

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: California Child Care Resource and Referral Network; California Commission on the Status of Women; California Labor Federation AFL-CIO; California Women's Law Center; Health Access California and others.

State Update: 4/21/2011

Opposition: California State Association of Counties; Regional Council of Rural Counties; California Association of Joint Powers Authorities; League of California Cities; California Special Districts Association

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_400&sess=CUR&house=B&author=ma

AB 402

Skinner, Nancy (D-14th)

Status: Senate Floor

Description: Would, among other provisions, 1) authorize a school district and county office of education (COE) to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the local agency that determines CalFresh program eligibility, or its designee, to share information provided on the School Lunch Program (SLP) application to determine an applicant's CalFresh program eligibility; 2) require each county to determine CalFresh program eligibility for children from the information provided on a SLP application shared with the county pursuant to the provisions, and 3) request for the parents' consent to share information on the SLP application with the local county welfare offices for CalFresh eligibility determination.

County Position: **Support**

Support: County Welfare Directors Association of California (co-sponsor); Western Center on Law and Poverty (co-sponsor); California Association of Food Banks; California Hunger Action Coalition; Coalition of California Welfare Rights Organizations and others

State Update: 5/11/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_402&sess=CUR&house=B&author=skinner

AB 438

Williams, Das (D-35)

Status: Senate Floor

Description: Would establish specified contracting and auditing requirements that must be met if a city or a library district intends to withdraw from the county free library system and operate the library with a private contractor that will employ library staff to achieve cost savings.

The County removed its position of support, if amended, and currently has no position on AB 438. Previously, the County was seeking amendments to AB 438, as amended on April 4, 2011, to remove the existing withdrawal requirements that only apply to the counties of Los Angeles and Riverside and to expand voter approval requirement to any cities that wish to withdraw from a county public library system. However, the Sacramento advocates indicate that these amendments were not accepted by the author.

County Position: **No Position**

Support: Central Coast Alliance United for a Sustainable Economy (co-sponsor), Ventura Reader's Book Group (co-sponsor); American Library Association Student Chapter at UCLA; California Labor Federation; California Teachers Association; Santa Clarita; Democratic Party of the San Fernando Valley; Service Employees International Union and others.

State Update: 5/27/2011

Opposition: California Contract Cities Association; Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association; League of California Cities; Library Systems & Services, LLC and others.; Cities of Artesia, Bellflower, Beverly Hills, Brea, Chino, Culver City, Diamond Bar, La Verne, Lakewood, Lynwood, and others.

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_438&sess=CUR&house=B&author=williams

AB 455

Campos, Nora (D-23)

Status: Governor's Desk

Description: Would provide that when a local public agency has established a personnel commission or merit commission to administer personnel rules or a merit system, the governing board of the public agency would appoint half of the members of the commission, and half of the members of the commission would be nominated by the recognized employee organizations.

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: American Federation of State County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO; California Labor Federation; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Service Employees International Union (SEIU); Coalition of California Utility Employees; Utility Workers Union of America; Western States Council of Sheet Metal Workers and others

State Update: 6/7/2011

Opposition: California State Association of Counties; League of California Cities; Regional Council of Rural Counties

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_455&sess=CUR&house=B&author=campos

AB 499

Atkins, Tony (D-76)

Status: Senate Appropriations

Description: Would permit a minor who is 12 years of age or older to consent to medical care related to the prevention of a sexually transmitted disease (STD).

County Position: **Support**

Support: California STD Controller's Association (Sponsor); California Medical Association; California Nurses Association; American Congress of Obstetricians Children's Hospital Los Angeles; Division of Adolescent Medicine; National Center for Youth Law; and Others

State Update: 5/11/2011

Opposition: California Catholic Conference, Inc; California Right to Life Committee, Inc.; Capitol Resource Family Impact.

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_499&sess=CUR&house=B&author=atkins

AB 506

Wieckowski, Bob (D-20th)

Status: Senate Rules

Description: Would impose a mediation requirement for local agencies, prior to seeking Chapter 9 bankruptcy protection under the Federal bankruptcy process.

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: California Labor Federation; California Nurses Association; California Professional Firefighters

State Update: 7/6/2011

Opposition: Association of California Healthcare Districts; California Chamber of Commerce; California Special Districts Association; California State Association of Counties; League of California Cities; Urban Counties Caucus and others

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_506&sess=CUR&house=B&author=wieckowski

AB 542

Allen, Michael (D-7)

Status: Senate Transportation and Housing

Description: Would increase the number of housing opportunities by expanding the number of land sites deemed suitable for residential development that can accommodate some portion of the city's or county's regional housing need by income level.

County Position: **Support**

Support: Napa County Board of Supervisors; California State Association of Counties; Napa Valley Community Housing

State Update: 3/31/2011

Opposition: California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation; Western Center on Law and Poverty

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_542&sess=CUR&house=B&author=allen

AB 550

Huber, Alyson (D-10th)

Status: Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife

Description: Would prohibit: 1) the construction of a periperal canal from the Sacramento River to a point south of the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta, unless expressly authorized by the Legislature; and 2) the construction and operation of a peripheral canal from diminishing or negatively affecting the water supplies, water rights, or quality of water for water users within the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta watershed, or imposing any new burdens on infrastructure within, or financial burdens on persons residing in the Delta or Delta watershed.

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: None on File

State Update: 3/31/2011

Opposition: Metropolitan Municipal Water District of Southern California

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_550&sess=CUR&house=B&author=huber

AB 591

Wieckowski, Bob (D-20)

Status: Set for hearing in Senate Appropriations on 8/15/11

Description: Would require well operators to provide specific information to the Division of Oil, Geothermal and Gas Resources (DOGGR) within the Department of Conservation prior to, and after, drilling wells that would be used in the future to develop legislation and/or regulations to reasonably and effectively regulate hydraulic fracturing.

County Position: **Support**

Support: California Coastal Protection Network; California Water Association; Clean Water Action; Environment California; Planning and Conservation League; Sierra Club California

Board Action: 5/24/2011

Opposition: American Chemistry Council; California Independent Petroleum Association; Western States Petroleum Association

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_591&sess=CUR&house=B&author=wieckowski

AB 652

Mitchell, Holly (D-47)

Status: Assembly Appropriations Suspense File

Description: Would specify that the costs of initial health assessments and forensic medical evaluations performed on children who are placed out of home due to suspected abuse or neglect shall be covered benefits under the Medi-Cal Program, the Healthy Families Program or a licensed health care insurance plan.

County Position: **County-Sponsored**

Support: Children's Hospital Association; California Council of Community Mental Health Agencies; Mental Health Association in California

State Update: 2/24/2011

Opposition: America's Health Insurance Plans; Association of California Life and Health Insurance Companies; California Association of Health Plans; Health Net

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_652&sess=CUR&house=B&author=mitchell

AB 720

Hall III, Isadore (D-52nd)

Status: Senate Floor

Description: Would limit the flexibility of counties who utilize Road Commissioner Authority for work on roads and highways for more than maintenance and emergency, effectively prevent these counties from using the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act, and limit the percentage of work that can be performed for road construction and reconstruction to 30 percent, per amendment of June 27, 2011, of all force account work done in a county.

Per amendment of July 12, 2011, author included intent language in the Daily Journal that it is not the intent of the Legislature to restrict county force account work necessary to facilitate capital projects for the purposes of contract to the private sector. This language addresses the concerns of the department which removes their oppose position. The County will also remove our oppose position as a result.

County Position: **No Position**

Support: CA Fence Contractors' Association; Engineering Contractors' Association; Golden State Builders Exchange; State Building and Construction Trades Council; Sierra Mountain Construction

State Update: 3/31/2011

Opposition: California State Association of Counties; Regional Council of Rural Counties; Urban Counties Caucus; Kern County; Orange County; Over 25 counties

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_720&sess=CUR&house=B&author=hall

AB 723

Bradford, Steven (D-51st)

Status: Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications

Description: Would extend the sunset date on the public goods charge (PGC) to 2020 and provide clarity on how energy efficiency programs funded under the PGC shall be administered. The electricity PGC is a nonbypassable surcharge imposed on all retail sales to fund public goods research, development and demonstration, and energy efficiency activities.

County Position: **Support**

Support: California State Pipe Trades Council; Coalition of California Utility Employees; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers; International Union of Elevator Constructors; Western States Council of Sheet and Metal Workers; Utility Workers Union of America

State Update: 4/28/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_723&sess=CUR&house=B&author=bradford

AB 727

Mitchell, Holly (D-47)

Status: Senate Appropriations

Description: Would require the State to provide healthier food options in vending machines, concessions and cafeterias located in State buildings.

County Position: **Support**

Support: California Pan Ethnic Health Network (Sponsor); AltaMed; California Food Project; California Black Health Network; Consumers Union; Prevention Institute and others

State Update: 4/7/2011

Opposition: California Automatic Vendors Council; California Nevada Soft Drink Association; Grocery Manufacturers Association; California Council of the Blind

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_727&sess=CUR&house=B&author=mitchell

AB 834

Hernandez, Roger (D-57)

Status: Assembly Inactive File

Description: Would: 1) require the legislative body of a city, county, or district to review any contract with a total of \$250,000 or more with a private party that contains an automatic renewal clause on or before the annual date by which the contract may be rescinded; and 2) require the legislative body of a city, county, or district to make findings on the record, prior to the renewal of the contract, including, but not limited to, whether the contract contains updated information and whether the contract fits the needs of the legislative body.

County Position: **Oppose Unless Amended**

Support: Orange County Employees Association;
Professional Engineers in California Government

State Update: 5/2/2011

Opposition: Los Angeles County Waste Management Association; California Refuse Recycling Council; California Waste Recovery Systems; Contra Costa Waste Service; Northern Recycling & Waste Services, LLC and others.

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_834&sess=CUR&house=B&author=roger_hernandez

AB 959

Jones, Dave (D-9th)

Status: Senate Appropriations

Description: Would require counties to restore CalWORKs benefits without requiring a new application or interview if the participant submits a complete quarterly report before the last calendar day of the first month of the following quarterly reporting period. Restored benefits would be prorated from the date that the quarterly report is submitted.

County Position: **Support**

Support: County of San Diego (Sponsor); National Association of Social Worker, California Chapter; Urban Counties Caucus; California State Association of Counties; County Welfare Directors Association; Western Center on Law and Poverty; and others.

State Update: 7/6/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_959&sess=CUR&house=B&author=jones

AB 1050

Ma, Fiona (D-12th)

Status: Senate Rules

Description: Would require the State Board of Equalization (BOE) to convene a working group to develop recommendations for an equitable and uniform method of collecting state and locally authorized communications taxes, fees and surcharges from prepaid communications end-use consumers.

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: CTIA (The Wireless Association); AT&T

State Update: 4/15/2011

Opposition: Los Angeles County

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1050&sess=CUR&house=B&author=ma

AB 1066

Perez, John A. (D-46th)

Status: Governor's Desk

Description: Would make various, technical and conforming changes to implement the Special Terms and Conditions required by the Federal Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services for the 1115 Medicaid Waiver.

County Position: **Support**

Support: California Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems; Urban Counties Caucus; Western Center on Law and Poverty

State Update: 6/7/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1066&sess=CUR&house=B&author=john_a._perez

AB 1090**Blumenfield, Bob (D-40th)****Status:** Senate Floor**Description:** As amended, would remove the priority lien status for Property Tax Postponement loans. The Treasurer and Tax Collector indicates that without the priority lien status, the program would not work for the county. Because the amendments remove the priority lien status, the Sacramento advocates will remove support for AB 1090 and take a support if amended position**County Position:** **Support if Amended****Support:** California State Association of Counties; California Senior Legislature; California Association of Realtors; AARP

State Update: 6/15/2011

Opposition: California Bankers Association; California Escrow Association; California Financial Services Association; California Land Title Association; California Taxpayers Association**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1090&sess=CUR&house=B&author=blumenfield**AB 1124****Skinner, Nancy (D-14th)****Status:** Assembly Appropriations Suspense File**Description:** Would state legislative intent to qualify low-income households for financial assistance under the Low-Income Energy Efficiency program for repairs or replacements of furnaces or water heating systems for a multifamily building.**County Position:** **Support****Support:** Consumer Federation of California; Affordable Housing Associates; California Coalition of Rural Housing; East Los Angeles Community Corporation; National Housing Trust; Western Center on Law and Poverty

State Update: 4/11/2011

Opposition: Pacific Gas and Electric; San Diego Gas & Electric; Southern California Gas Company; Synergy Companies; Association of California Community and Energy Services**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1124&sess=CUR&house=B&author=skinner

AB 1155

Alejo, Luis (D-28)

Status: Senate Floor

Description: Would prohibit the consideration of race, religious creed, color, national origin, age, gender, marital status, sex, sexual orientation, or genetic characteristics as a cause or other factor of disability considered in the determination of workers' compensation benefits. However, the bill would negatively affect the County for a number of reasons including but not limited to significantly weaken workers' compensation reforms contained in SB 899 (Chapter 34, Statutes of 2004),

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: American Civil Liberties Union; California Labor Federation; Consumer Attorneys of California; California Nurses Association; Public Counsel; California State Conference of the NAACP and others

State Update: 3/30/2011

Opposition: California Hospital Association; California Chamber of Commerce; United Parcel Service (UPS); Workers' Compensation Action Network; California Restaurant Association; California Retailers Association and others

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1155&sess=CUR&house=B&author=alejo

AB 1178

Ma, Fiona (D-12th)

Status: Senate Floor

Description: Would prohibit a city or county, including by an ordinance enacted by initiative by the voters of a city or county, from restricting or limiting in the importation of solid waste into a privately owned solid waste facility in that city or county based on the place of origin.

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: California Association of Sanitation Agencies; California Refuse Recycling Council; Commercial Fleet Services, Inc.; Burrtec Waste Industries, Inc.; Central Contra Costa Solid Waste Authority; Desert Valley Disposal, Inc. and many others

Board Action: 7/12/2011

Opposition: California Resource Recovery Association; Californians Against Waste; Sierra Club California; Sustainability, Parks, Recycling and Wildlife Legal Defense Fund; County of San Bernardino; Northern California Recycling Association

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1178&sess=CUR&house=B&author=ma

AB 1182

Hernandez, Roger (D-57th)

Status: Senate Appropriations Suspense File

Description: Would delete existing requirements for assessing the value of a motor vehicle to exclude the value of a licensed motor vehicle from consideration when determining CalWORKs eligibility.

County Position: **Support**

Support: County Welfare Directors Association; California State Association of Counties (CSAC); California Communities United Institute (CalComUI); California Commission on the Status of Women; Coalition of California Welfare Rights Organizations and others

State Update: 4/21/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1182&sess=CUR&house=B&author=hernandez

AB 1203

Mendoza, Tony (D-56th)

Status: Senate Floor

Description: Would expand on provisions of the Meyers-Milias-Brown act governing leaves of absences for classified school employees and local public agency employees who are representatives of employee organizations

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (Sponsor); California School Employees Association (o-Sponsor); California Federation of Teachers; Service Employees International Union (SEIU)

State Update: 6/23/2011

Opposition: California Association of School Business Officials; Community College League

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1203&sess=CUR&house=B&author=mendoza

AB 1248

Hueso, Ben (D-79th)

Status: Senate Floor

Description: Would require a local public employer to provide coverage under the Federal Social Security system to all employees who are not covered under a defined benefit retirement plan.

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: California Professional Firefighters

State Update: 6/22/2011

Opposition: LA County

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1248&sess=CUR&house=B&author=hueso

AB 1250

Alejo, Luis (D-28)

Status: Assembly Rules

Description: Would make a number of changes to certain aspects of Community Redevelopment Law and would allow Redevelopment Agencies (RDAs) to provide direct assistance to: 1) residents and businesses for increasing energy efficiency or to facilitate infill development of areas in an approved sustainable communities strategy; and 2) businesses for industrial or manufacturing uses, where the assistance is reasonably expected to result in job retention or expansion. The bill states that the Legislature finds and declares that the purpose of the provisions for direct assistance for industrial or manufacturing uses is to clarify existing law and to provide RDAs with additional authority to assist businesses for the purpose of retaining jobs and expanding employment. The bill also provides that these activities and programs would constitute redevelopment. The bill contains an urgency clause making it effective immediately if passed by the Legislature and signed by the Governor.

County Position: **Oppose Unless Amended**

Support: League of California Cities

State Update: 6/3/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1250&sess=CUR&house=B&author=alejo

AB 1297

Chesbro, Wesley (D-1st)

Status: Senate Appropriations

Description: Would maximize reimbursement of Federal Medicaid funding to counties for specialty mental health services.

County Position: **Support**

Support: California Mental Health Directors Association (Sponsor); California State Association of Counties; Amador County Health Services; Contra Costa County Mental Health Administration; Sacramento County Board of Supervisors; San Mateo County Board of Supervisors and others

State Update: 4/6/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1297&sess=CUR&house=B&author=chesbro

AB 1319

Butler, Betsy (D-53)

Status: Senate Floor

Description: Would prohibit the manufacture, sale, or distribution of any bottle or cup, or any infant formula, liquid, baby food, or beverage in a can or jar, containing Bisphenol A (BPA) at a level above 0.1 parts per billion, if the product is intended primarily for children three years of age or younger, effective July 1, 2013.

County Position: Support

Support: Alliance for California Autism Organizations; American Congress of Obstetrics and Gynecologists; California Medical Association; County of Santa Clara; Solano County Board of Supervisors; Senator Dianne Feinstein, and others

State Update: 6/1/2011

Opposition: American Chemistry Council; California Chamber of Commerce; California Citizens Against Lawsuit Abuse; California Grocers Association; California Manufacturers and Technology Association, and others

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1319&sess=CUR&house=B&author=butler

AB 1331

Davis, Mike (D-48th)

Status: Failed in Assembly

Description: Would postpone provisions enacted in the implementation of SB 1080 (Chapter 711, Statute of 2010) and SB 1115 (Chapter 178, Statute of 2010) which amended multiple sections of the State Penal Code dealing with firearms and dangerous weapons offenses by five years until January 1, 2017.

County Position: Support

Support: Los Angeles CCJCC; Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department; Los Angeles County District Attorneys Office; California Public Defenders Association

State Update: 4/15/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1331&sess=CUR&house=B&author=Davis

AB 1350

Lara, Ricardo (D-50th)

Status: Senate Floor

Description: Would require county auditors to verify that property tax rate increases or extensions, proposed by a local government to fund pension programs approved by voters prior to July 1, 1978, do not exceed the maximum rate authorized by law.

County Position: **Support**

Support: LA County

State Update: 6/22/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1350&sess=CUR&house=B&author=lara

AB 1354

Huber, Alyson (D-10th)

Status: Assembly Business, Professions & Consumer Protection

Description: Would prohibit, from January 1, 2012 until December 31, 2015, public entities from withholding a retention amount greater than five percent from progress payments made to a contractor.

County Position: **Oppose Unless Amended**

Support: American Subcontractors Association California, Inc.; California Landscape Contractors Association; Construction Industry Legislative Council; Surety Associates of Southern California; Construction Preliens & Paperwork

State Update: 3/31/2011

Opposition: Association of California Water Agencies; Associated General Contractors; California Association of Sanitation Agencies; California State Association of Counties; League of California Cities

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1354&sess=CUR&house=B&author=huber

AB 1382**Hernandez, Roger. (D-57th)****Status:** Senate Appropriations**Description:** Would authorize HIV counselors to perform skin punctures for hepatitis C virus (HCV) or a combination of HIV/HCV tests.**County Position:** **Support****Support:** California Department of Public Health;
California Hepatitis Alliance

State Update: 6/1/2011

Opposition: None on File**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_1382&sess=CUR&house=B&author=roger_hernandez**ABX1 9****Chesbro, Wesley (D-1st)****Status:** Assembly**Description:** Would extend the temporary .65 percent increase to the Vehicle License Fee to fund local public safety programs. The increase is set to expire on June 30, 2011.**County Position:** **Support****Support:** California State Association of Counties; League of California Cities; Urban Counties Caucus; Numerous law enforcement agencies; and others

State Update: 12/29/2010

Opposition: None on File**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=abx1_9&sess=CUR&house=B&author=chesbro

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Blumenfield, Bob (D-40th)

Status: Assembly Budget

Description: Would establish the Schools and Local Safety Public Safety Protection Act of 2011, a constitutional amendment, upon voter approval to extend \$11.0 billion in specified tax increases for five years, of which, \$5.9 billion would be dedicated to fund the Governor's Realignment Proposal to shift financial responsibilities of various programs from the State to counties. The constitutional amendment would also guarantee counties ongoing revenues beyond the five-year tax extension and provide protections to counties against increased costs from future State and Federal actions. This measure is identical to SCAX1 1.

County Position: **Support**

Support: California Teachers Association; California Chamber of Commerce; Chief Probation Officers of California; Riverside County Board of Supervisors; Sonoma County Board of Supervisors; Various Local Chambers of Commerce

Board Action: 3/22/2011

Opposition: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=acax1_2&sess=CUR&house=B&author=blumenfield

SB 33

Simitian, Joseph S. (D-11th)

Status: Assembly Floor

Description: Repeals the January 1, 2013 sunset date and makes permanent provisions established by SB 1018, (Chapter 140, Statutes of 2005), which expanded the scope of the Elder and Dependent Adult Reporting Act.

County Position: **Support**

Support: AARP; California State Association of Counties; California Senior Legislature; California Commission on Aging; County Welfare Directors Association and others

State Update: 3/30/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_33&sess=CUR&house=B&author=simitian

SB 62**Liu, Carol (D-21st)****Status:** Governor's Desk

Description: Would enhance the County's existing Homeowner Notification Program to authorize the County to: 1) notify homeowners and renters subject to notices of default or sale; 2) collect a fee for notification upon the recording of a notice of default or sale; and 3) use a portion of the recording fee to provide information, counseling, or assistance to a person who receives the notice. These provisions would sunset on January 1, 2015. The bill also states that the Legislature finds and declares the need for the special law because the County is experiencing a foreclosure and real estate fraud crisis that necessitates additional authority for the County to provide notice of the recording of certain foreclosure-related real property transactions to interested parties.

County Position: **County-Sponsored**

Support: Consumer Federation of California; Consumer Federation of America; Consumers Union; California District Attorneys Association; Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department; Western Center on Law and Poverty, and others.

Board Action: 12/15/2009

Opposition: None on File**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_62&sess=CUR&house=B&author=liu**SB 136****Yee, Leland (D-8th)****Status:** Assembly Appropriations

Description: Which as introduced on January 31, 2011 would have required health care services plans and individual or group health insurance policies to provide coverage for smoking cessations services was amended on April 28, 2011 to delete these provisions.

As amended, SB 136 would extend the sunset date which prohibits the California Department of Health Care Services from requiring a face-to-face contact between Medi-Cal patients and health care providers that provide teledermatology and teleophthalmology services from January 1, 2013 to January 1, 2018. Because the amendments removed county supported provisions, the county will now take no position on SB 136.

County Position: **No Position****Support:** None on File

State Update: 6/1/2011

Opposition: None on File**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_136&sess=CUR&house=B&author=yee

SB 141**Price, Curren D. Jr. (D-26th)****Status:** Held in Senate Appropriations**Description:** Would require the State to reimburse counties for elections to fill State and Federal legislative vacancies. This proposal would add provisions requiring that all expenses incurred to conduct elections called by the Governor to fill a vacancy in the office of State Senator, Member of the Assembly, United States Senator or Representative in Congress be paid by the State. The bill also states that when an election proclaimed by the Governor is consolidated with a local election, the State would pay only for those expenses directly related to the elections proclaimed by the Governor.**County Position:** **County-Sponsored****Support:** California State Association of Counties (CSAC); Orange County Board of Supervisors; Regional Council of Rural Counties (RCRC); San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors; Santa Clara County Board of Supervisor; California Secretary of State

Board Action: 5/26/2009

Opposition: None on File**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_141&sess=CUR&house=B&author=price**SB 161****Huff, Bob (R-29th)****Status:** Assembly Appropriations**Description:** Would allow, in the absence of a school nurse, non-medical school personnel who have received training on a voluntary basis to administer emergency anti-seizure medication to students who are suffering from epileptic seizures.**County Position:** **Support****Support:** Los Angeles County Office of Education; Los Angeles Unified School District; Disability Rights California; Epilepsy Foundation, California; Health Officers Association of California; California School Boards Association, and others

State Update: 6/7/2011

Opposition: American Nurses Association-California; California Nurses Association; Service Employees International Union-Nurses Alliance of California; California Labor Federation; California Teachers Association, and others**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_161&sess=CUR&house=B&author=huff

SB 166

Steinberg, Darrell (D-6th)

Status: Senate Health

Description: Would: 1) require health care service plan contracts and health insurance policies to also provide coverage for behavioral intervention therapy, as defined, for pervasive developmental disorder or autism; 2) provide that no benefits are required to be provided that exceed the essential health benefits required under Federal law; and 3) provide that no reimbursement to local agencies is required for mandates imposed by the bill.

County Position: Support

Support: Alliance of California Autism Organizations (sponsor); Advisory Commission on Special Education; Autism Behavioral Research Individualized Treatment & Education; Autism Society of Los Angeles and others

Board Action: 4/19/2011

Opposition: America's Health Insurance Plans; Association of California Life and Health Insurance Companies; California Association of Health Plans; California Chamber of Commerce

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_166&sess=CUR&house=B&author=steinberg

SB 184

Leno, Mark (D-3rd)

Status: Failed passage on Senate Floor, reconsideration granted

Description: Would authorize the legislative body of any city or county to adopt ordinances to establish, as a condition of development, inclusionary housing requirements, as specified, and declare legislative intent in superceding the court ruling in Palmer/Sixth Street Properties, L.P. v City of Los Angeles (2009), to the extent that the opinion in the case conflicts with the bill.

County Position: Support and Amend

Support: California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation; Western Center on Law and Poverty; California Labor Federation; League of California Cities; California State Association of Counties; California Housing Partnership Corporation

State Update: 5/2/2011

Opposition: Apartment Association, California Southern Cities; California Association of Realtors; Apartment Association of Greater Los Angeles; Apartment Association of Orange County

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_184&sess=CUR&house=B&author=leno

SB 194

Governance and Finance Committee

Status: Assembly Appropriations

Description: Contains two County-sponsored proposals to: 1) increase the upper limit amount a board of supervisors may delegate to a county road commissioner or other county officer to order changes or additions in the work being performed under county road contracts from \$150,000 to \$200,000 and also would clarify that these change orders may include additions to the work; and 2) authorize, subject to the approval of the county board of supervisors, a county to accept a payment of a donation, gift, bequest, or devise made to or in favor of a county, or to or in favor of the board of supervisors of a county, by credit card, debit card, or electronic funds transfer.

County Position: **Support**

Support: Association of California Water Agencies; California Association of Clerks and Election Officials; California Association of County Treasurers and Tax Collectors; California Building Industry Association; California Airports Council; City of Walnut Creek and others

State Update: 2/16/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_194&sess=CUR&house=B&author=committee_on_governance_and_finance

SB 200

Wolk, Lois (D-5th)

Status: Senate Natural Resources and Water

Description: Would negatively impact water supply to Southern California by amending the Delta Reform Act of 2009 by requiring a redundant and likely unattainable set of environmental hurdles for all of the conservation measures that will be developed in the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP). The bill would essentially require every step in implementing a conservation measure in BDCP to be re-approved on its own even though it is included as part of a conservation plan that must meet all California Environmental Quality Act requirements, which will ultimately delay implementation of the BDCP.

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: Delta Counties Coalition; Contra Costa County; Sacramento County; San Joaquin County; Solano County; Yolo County

State Update: 4/8/2011

Opposition: Metropolitan Water District of Southern California; Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce; California Chamber of Commerce; Western Growers Association; Castaic Lake Water Agency; Southern California Water Committee

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_200&sess=CUR&house=B&author=wolk

SB 244

Wolk, Lois (D-5th)

Status: Assembly Appropriations

Description: Would require a city or county to amend its general plan to include an analysis of the presence of island, fringe, or legacy unincorporated communities inside or near its boundaries, and would require the amended general plan to include specified information about disadvantaged unincorporated communities. It would also require a city or county to take specified action related to the conditions or deficiencies within these areas and outline implementation measures to achieve the goals for eliminating or reducing the negative conditions, and prevent local agency formation commissions from approving annexations to a city unless specified conditions are met.

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation; Clean Water Action California; Natural Resources Defense Council; Planning and Conservation League; Sierra Club, California

State Update: 3/14/2011

Opposition: American Planning Association, California Chapter; California Association of Local Agency Formation Commissions; California State Association of Counties; League of California Cities; Regional Council of Rural Counties

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_244&sess=CUR&house=B&author=wolk

SB 276

Wright, Rod (D-25th)

Status: Assembly Floor

Description: Would authorize the Executive Director of the California Science Center to appoint the chief and assistant chief of museum security and safety and other safety officer appointments if there is no Exposition Park Manager.

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: None on File

Board Action: 5/31/2011

Opposition: City of Los Angeles, Coliseum Commission

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_276&sess=CUR&house=B&author=wright

SB 286**Wright, Rod (D-25th)****Status:** Senate Governance and Finance

Description: Would make a number of changes to certain aspects of Community Redevelopment Law and would allow Redevelopment Agencies (RDAs) to provide direct assistance to: 1) residents and businesses for increasing energy efficiency and reducing greenhouse gas emissions or to facilitate infill development of areas in an approved sustainable communities strategy; and 2) businesses for industrial or manufacturing uses, where the assistance is reasonable expected to result in job retention or expansion. The bill states that the Legislature finds and declares that the purpose of the provisions for direct assistance for industrial or manufacturing uses is to clarify existing law and to provide RDAs with additional authority to assist businesses for the purpose of retaining jobs and expanding employment. The bill also provides that these activities and programs would constitute redevelopment. The County seeks amendments to delete the bill language that would expand the purpose of redevelopment and to require redevelopment projects to end at their specified end dates and not to allow RDAs to extend the life of projects without regard to blight.

County Position: **Oppose Unless Amended****Support:** California Redevelopment Association; League of California Cities; California Business Properties Association

State Update: 5/19/2011

Opposition: California Professional Firefighters**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_286&sess=CUR&house=B&author=wright**SB 332****Padilla, Alex (D-20th)****Status:** Assembly Floor

Description: Would authorize a landlord of a residential dwelling unit to prohibit the smoking of cigarettes or tobacco products on the property or in any building, including within a dwelling unit, in another exterior or interior area, or on the premises of the dwelling unit itself. A landlord who prohibits smoking under this authority would be subject to State and local notice requirements governing changes to the terms of a rental agreement for tenants, as specified. The bill would not preempt any local ordinance in effect on or before January 1, 2012.

County Position: **Support****Support:** American Diabetes Association; Aging Services of California; California Apartment Association; California Medical Association

State Update: 5/11/2011

Opposition: None on File**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_332&sess=CUR&house=B&author=padilla

SB 397**Yee, Leland (D-8th)****Status:** Assembly Appropriations

Description: Would: 1) authorize counties to develop and use an electronic voter registration system for the electronic submission of an affidavit of voter registration from a person who is qualified to register to vote, who has a valid California driver's license or state identification card, and who resides in that county; 2) authorize a person who is qualified to register to vote and who has a valid California driver's license or state identification card to submit an affidavit of voter registration electronically on the Internet website of the county in which the person resides; and 3) direct that the provisions of this bill will remain in effect only until the Secretary of State (SOS) certifies that the state has a statewide voter registration database that complies with the requirements of the Federal Help America Vote Act of 2002.

County Position: **Support**

Support: California Common Cause (Sponsor); California Association of Clerks and Elections Officials; University of California Student Association; Rock the Vote

Board Action: 5/10/2011

Opposition: None on File**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_397&sess=CUR&house=B&author=yee**SB 415****Wright, Rod (D-25th)****Status:** Assembly Business, Professions and Consumer Protection

Description: Would: 1) require the California Science Center (CSC) to become the successor lessor in the lease between CSC and the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission (LAMCC) and to quit and surrender the leased premises to CSC should LAMCC fail to perform under, or abide by any of the terms and conditions of the lease; and 2) allow an ex-officio member of LAMCC to be present in closed session meetings of the LAMCC. The bill states that the Legislature finds and declares that the mismanagement of LAMCC and the lack of responsible oversight has placed LAMCC in a precarious financial and contractual position and that there is a clear need for an independent audit of the operations and financial dealings of LAMCC. The bill also cites that it is the intent of the Legislature to pursue an appropriate investigation and review of the financial operations, procedures, and financial dealings of LAMCC.

County Position: **Oppose****Support:** None on File

State Update: 7/7/2011

Opposition: None on File**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_415&sess=CUR&house=B&author=wright

SB 450**Lowenthal, Alan (D-27th)****Status:** Assembly Appropriations**Description:** Would impose restrictions and requirements on the use of Low- and Moderate-Income Housing (LMIH) funds by Redevelopment Agencies (RDAs). Generally, the bill would place a limit on LMIH funds for planning and general administration costs, prohibit certain expenditures, impose additional requirements and enforcement Mechanisms, expand reporting and oversight, provide funding for audits of RDA housing programs by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (CDHCD), allow the State Controller to conduct quality control reviews of independent financial audit reports, and require the Attorney General to investigate claims raised during audits conducted by the CDHCD.**County Position:** **Support****Support:** State Controller (co-sponsor); Western Center on Law and Poverty (co-sponsor); CA Rural Legal Assistance Foundation (co-sponsor) (co-sponsor); Aging Services of California; American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; California Coalition for Rural Housing, and others.

Board Action: 5/10/2011

Opposition: Department of Finance; City of Lakewood**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_450&sess=CUR&house=B&author=lowenthal**SB 457****Calderon, Charles M. (D-58th)****Status:** Assembly Appropriations**Description:** Would require the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board (WCAB) to determine, on the basis of liens filed, reimbursement for benefits paid or services provided by a health care service plan, a group disability policy, a hospital service contract, or a self-insured employee welfare benefit plan notwithstanding the official medical fee schedule when an award is made for reimbursement for self-procured medical costs for the effects of an injury or illness arising out of and in the course of employment. This bill would also state that its provisions are not to be deemed as modifying in any way the rights of any health care provider to file and prosecute a lien.**County Position:** **Oppose****Support:** California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO; California Professional Firefighters

State Update: 3/30/2011

Opposition: California Joint Powers Authority**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_457&sess=CUR&house=B&author=calderon

SB 469**Vargas, Juan (D-40)****Status:** Assembly Appropriations**Description:** Would require a city, county, or city and county, prior to approving or disapproving a proposed development project that would permit the construction of a superstore retailer, as defined, to cause an economic impact report to be prepared.**County Position:** **Oppose****Support:** California Labor Federation AFL-CIO; California Small Business Association; California Teamsters Local 911; League of Conservation Voters—San Diego; United Association of Plumbers & Pipefitters Local 230; United Domestic Providers of America/AFSCME and others.

State Update: 4/28/2011

Opposition: California Business Properties Association; California Retailers Association; Orange County Business Council; Walmart; San Bernardino County; League of California Cities and others.**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_469&sess=CUR&house=B&author=vargas**SB 480****Vargas, Juan (D-40)****Status:** Held in Senate Appropriations**Description:** Would: 1) prohibit the use of income or assets of a domestic violence abuser in determining eligibility for the victim when applying for CalWORKs and CalFresh benefits; 2) require counties to offer Welfare-to-Work requirement waivers when a person has identified themselves to be a victim of domestic violence; and 3) provide that Federal Work Participation Rate (WPR) credit is assigned to the State for the provisions of these waivers.**County Position:** **Support****Support:** Western Center on Law and Poverty (co-sponsor); Coalition of California Welfare Rights Organizations (co-sponsor); California Commission on the Status of Women; California Partnership to End Domestic Violence; County Welfare Directors Association and others.

State Update: 4/29/2011

Opposition: None on File**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_480&sess=CUR&house=B&author=vargas

SB 486**Dutton, Bob (R-31st)****Status:** Held in Senate Health**Description:** Would: 1) abolish the First 5 California and the county First 5 Commissions throughout the State; 2) eliminate the allocation of Proposition 10 funds to the State and county First 5 Commissions; 3) redirect all future Proposition 10 revenues to the State General Fund for the Healthy Families and Medi-Cal programs, subject to voter approval; and 4) direct that existing contracts and obligations of each commission shall be assumed by their respective county.**County Position:** **Oppose****Support:** None on File

State Update: 4/7/2011

Opposition: California Head Start Association; California Family Resource Association; California State Association of Counties; Children and Families Commission of Orange County; First 5 Association of California; 1759 individuals and others.**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_486&sess=CUR&house=B&author=dutton**SB 502****Pavley, Fran (D-23rd)****Status:** Assembly Appropriations**Description:** Would establish the Hospital Infant Feeding Protection Act, which would require all general acute care hospitals and special hospitals which have a Perinatal unit to have an infant-feeding policy in place and to clearly post that policy.**County Position:** **Support****Support:** California Women, Children, and Infants Association (Sponsor); American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists; Antelope Valley Hospital; First 5 LA; Breastfeeding Task Force of Greater Los Angeles; California Food Policy Advocates, and others.

State Update: 6/15/2011

Opposition: None on File**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_502&sess=CUR&house=B&author=pavley

SB 515

Corbett, Ellen (D-10th)

Status: Senate Appropriations Suspense File

Description: Would: 1) require battery manufacturers, by April 1, 2012 per May 2, 2011 amendment, to submit a stewardship plan (plan) to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery (CalRecycle) for review; 2) prohibit, on or after January 1, 2014, a producer, wholesaler, or retailer from selling household batteries unless CalRecycle certifies the submitted plan as complete; and 3) establish progressive collection goals for household batteries of 25 percent by 2015, 45 percent by 2017, as per May 2, 2011 amendment, with proof of continuous meaningful improvement in the collection rate starting January 1, 2018 and after.

County Position: **Support**

Support: Stopwaste.org; Californians Against Waste; CSAC; California Retailers Association; League of California Cities

State Update: 3/31/2011

Opposition: The Grocers Manufacturing Association; Hewlett-Packard; TechAmerica; Toy Industry Association Inc.

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_515&sess=CUR&house=B&author=corbett

SB 564

Evans, Noreen (D-7th)

Status: Senate Energy, Utilities and Communications

Description: Would require utilities to collaborate with, and seek comments from, county climate protection authorities or other public agencies that are directly authorized to implement regional or countywide climate protection and energy efficiency programs when developing or revising its energy efficiency program portfolio design.

County Position: **Support**

Support: None on File

State Update: 4/28/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_564&sess=CUR&house=B&author=evans

SB 568

Lowenthal, Alan (D-27th)

Status: Assembly Floor

Description: Would prohibit, beginning January 1, 2016, a food vendor from dispensing prepared food to a customer in a polystyrene foam food container, and would give a food vendor that is a school district until January 1, 2017 to comply with the bill's requirements. Also specifies that a food vendor can continue to dispense prepared food to a customer in a polystyrene foam food container after these dates if a policy is adopted or an ordinance enacted to implement a verifiable recycling program for polystyrene foam food containers where there is a reasonable likelihood that at least 60 percent of these containers purchased annually will be recycled.

County Position: **Support**

Support: Californians Against Waste; Heal the Bay; Sierra Club California; Breast Cancer Fund; Clean Water Action

State Update: 3/31/2011

Opposition: American Chemistry Council; California Chamber of Commerce; California Manufacturers and Technology Association; Society of the Plastics Industry

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_568&sess=CUR&house=B&author=lowenthal

SB 575

DeSaulnier, Mark (D-7th)

Status: Assembly Governmental Organization

Description: Would prohibit the smoking of tobacco products in an enclosed space at a place of employment or owner-operated business, unless otherwise exempted.

County Position: **Support**

Support: American Cancer Society (Co-sponsor); Health Officers of California
American Heart Association (Co-sponsor);
American Lung Association (Co-sponsor);
American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; San Francisco Tobacco Free Association and others

State Update: 5/23/2011

Opposition: Cigar Association of America; Small Business Commission, the City and County of San Francisco;
California Association of Health Facilities, unless amended

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_575&sess=CUR&house=B&author=desaulnier

SB 586**Pavley, Fran (D-23rd)****Status:** Assembly Appropriations**Description:** Regulates the issuance of signature stamps; doubles the fines for crimes committed against elder and dependent adults, and dedicates increased revenue to Adult Protective Services agencies.**County Position:** **Support****Support:** American Association of Retired Persons (AARP); Ventura County Board of Supervisors; California Senior Legislature; Congress of California Seniors; Disability Rights of California and others

Board Action: 5/10/2011

Opposition: California Bankers Association**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_586&sess=CUR&house=B&author=pavley**SB 594****Wolk, Lois (D-5th)****Status:** Assembly Health**Description:** Would: 1) require all laboratory services necessary for local public health departments to be provided by a city or county's public health laboratory; 2) allow counties to contract for laboratory services with other city or county public health laboratories or with the State Department of Public Health (DPH); 3) expand the types of services that must be performed by a city or county-operated public health laboratory; and 4) require the State DPH to develop and administer written examinations to certify public health microbiologists, and to establish minimum requirements for laboratories that train public health microbiologist-trainees.**County Position:** **Oppose****Support:** California Association of Public Health Laboratory Directors (Sponsor); Los Angeles County

State Update: 4/11/2011

Opposition: California Health Executives of California**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_594&sess=CUR&house=B&author=wolk

SB 744

Wyland, Mark (R-38th)

Status: Assembly Appropriations

Description: Would provide that any water submeter tested by a regularly calibrated test bench shall be deemed to be sealed and approved for commercial use, as specified, provided it satisfies certain criteria and is type approved by the Division of Measurement Standards (DMS) of the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA). The bill also would exempt water submeters from the definition of placed in service and would provide that no water submeter is considered to have been placed in service prior to its installation if it is to be used in a multiunit residential structure. These provisions would sunset on January 1, 2015.

County Position: **Oppose**

Support: Utility Conservation Coalition (sponsor); American Utility Management; Apartment Association of Greater Los Angeles; Badger Meter; California Apartment Association; California Building Industry Association and others.

State Update: 6/15/2011

Opposition: California Agricultural Commissioners and Sealers Association; California State Association of Counties (CSAC); California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation; Western Center on Law and Poverty; San Diego County; Ventura County and others.

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_744&sess=CUR&house=B&author=wyland

SB 746

Lieu, Ted W. (D-53rd)

Status: Assembly Appropriations

Description: Would prohibit persons under 18 years of age from utilizing ultraviolet (UV) tanning devices and eliminate the option for parents to provide consent for their minor children over the age of 14 from using UV tanning devices.

County Position: **Support**

Support: California Society of Dermatology and Dermatological Surgery (Co-sponsor); AIM at Melanoma Foundation (Co-sponsor); American Cancer Society; Anthem Blue Cross; California Medical Association; California Nurses Association; and others

State Update: 5/11/2011

Opposition: Indoor Tanning Association; National Federation of Independent Businesses,; Hollywood Tans; Palm Beach Tan

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_746&sess=CUR&house=B&author=lieu

SB 776**Simitian, Joseph S. (D-11th)****Status:** Assembly Appropriations**Description:** As amended on June 15, 2011, would impose requirements related to the expenditure of Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funds on job training programs by establishing threshold requirements for the percentage of WIA funds provided to local workforce investment boards to be spent on training programs, support services, and specified bridge services, among other provisions.**County Position:** **Oppose****Support:** California Labor Federation, AFL-CIO (co-sponsor); California Manufacturers and Technology Association (co-sponsor); California Teachers Association; SEIU; LA County Workforce Investment Board; City of LA Workforce Investment Board

State Update: 6/22/2011

Opposition: LA County Board of Supervisors; California State Association of Counties (CSAC); California Workforce Association; Cities of Azusa, Covina and Glendora; Board of Supervisors for the counties of Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, among others; Workforce Investment Boards for the counties of Imperial, Riverside, San Diego, among others**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_776&sess=CUR&house=B&author=desaulnier**SB 913****Pavley, Fran (D-23rd)****Status:** Senate Floor**Description:** Would clarify a Chief Probation Officer's authority to consent to medical examinations or non-emergency care for youth detained in county juvenile detention facilities when the parent or legal guardian refuses or fails to respond to a request for medical consent.**County Position:** **County-Sponsored****Support:** California State Association of Counties; Chief Probation Officers of California

State Update: 2/24/2011

Opposition: None on File**Bill Information:** http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_913&sess=CUR&house=B&author=pavley

SCAX1 1

Steinberg, Darrell (D-6th)

Status: Senate Appropriations

Description: Would establish the Schools and Local Safety Public Safety Protection Act of 2011, a constitutional amendment upon voter approval to: extend \$11.0 billion in specified tax increases for five years of which \$5.9 billion would be dedicated to fund the Governor's Realignment Proposal to shift financial responsibilities of various programs from the State to counties. The constitutional amendment would also guarantee counties ongoing revenues beyond the five-year tax extension and provide protections to counties against increased costs from future State and Federal actions. This measure is identical to ACAX 1 2.

County Position: **Support**

Support: California Teachers Association; California Chamber of Commerce; Chief Probation Officers of California; Riverside County Board of Supervisors; Sonoma County Board of Supervisors; Various Local Chambers of Commerce

Board Action: 3/22/2011

Opposition: Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association

Bill Information: http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=scax1_1&sess=CUR&house=B&author=steinberg

H. Res 25

Miller, Gary G. (R-CA)

Status: House Ways and Means

Description: Would express the sense of Congress that the current Federal income tax deduction for mortgage interest paid on debt secured by a first or second home should not be further restricted. Additionally, the resolution declares that the current Federal income tax deduction for interest paid on debt secured by a first home has been a valuable cornerstone of the nation's housing policy for most of the century and may well be the most important component of housing related tax policy in America today.

County Position: **Support**

Support: None on File

Board Action: 5/31/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: <http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/bdquery/D?d112:25:./list/bss/d112HE.lst:>

H.R. 470

Heck (R-NV)

Status: Subcommittee on Water and Power

Description: Also known as the Hoover Power Allocation Act of 2011, would extend the Hoover Power Plant Act of 1984 (Act). The Act, which governs the allocation of water and power from the Hoover Dam, is currently scheduled to expire in 2017. H.R. 470 would essentially keep current contracts governing the allocation of energy resources in place.

County Position: Support

Support: City of Burbank; City of Glendale; City of Los Angeles; Southern California Edison

State Update: 3/1/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/BILLS-112hr470ih/pdf/BILLS-112hr470ih.pdf>

H.Res. 12

Weiner, Anthony D. (D-NY)

Status: House Veterans' Affairs and Armed Services

Description: House Concurrent Resolution 12 would express the sense of Congress that an appropriate site on Chaplains Hill at Arlington National Cemetery should be provided for a memorial marker to honor the memory of Jewish chaplains who died while on Active Duty in the Armed Forces of the United States.

County Position: Support

Support: Jewish Welfare Board Jewish Chaplains Council

Board Action: 5/10/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: <http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/bdquery/z?d112:HC00012:>

S.Res. 4

Schumer, Charles E. (D-NY)

Status: Senate Veterans' Affairs

Description: Senate Concurrent Resolution 4, would express the sense of Congress that an appropriate site on Chaplains Hill at Arlington National Cemetery should be provided for a memorial marker to honor the memory of Jewish chaplains who died while on Active Duty in the Armed Forces of the United States.

County Position: Support

Support: Jewish Welfare Board Jewish Chaplains Council

Board Action: 5/10/2011

Opposition: None on File

Bill Information: <http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/bdquery/z?d112:SC00004:>
