



Los Angeles County Legislative Update

December 8, 2023

Greetings,

Below is an update on Federal and State legislative items of interest to the County of Los Angeles.



COUNTY ADVOCACY ACTIONS

At the December 5th meeting, the Board of Supervisors took the following actions:

The next regularly scheduled Board of Supervisors meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 19th, at 9:30 a.m.

- **ANNUAL BOARD REORGANIZATION**

Supervisor Lindsey Horvath will serve as Chair of the Board, and Supervisor Kathryn Barger will serve as Chair Pro Tem until December 2024.

- **SUPPORT FOR ASSEMBLY BILL (AB) 761 (FRIEDMAN): SUPPORT FOR LOCAL FINANCE: ENHANCED INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING DISTRICTS**

The Board directed the Chief Executive Office – Legislative Affairs and Intergovernmental Relations (CEO-LAIR) Branch to support AB 761, legislation which would match the statutory term of an Enhanced Infrastructure Finance District with that of a Federal Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act loan; and send a five-signature letter to Assemblymember Laura Friedman in support of the bill. Additional details on the motion can be found [here](#).

- **IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATER PLAN: A SHARED, REGIONAL PATH TOWARDS WATER RESILIENCE**

The Board directed CEO-LAIR to pursue and sponsor State legislation to amend the Los Angeles County Flood Control District's borrowing capacity and authorize the County's Legislative Advocates in Sacramento, to take all appropriate legislative advocacy actions to advance this effort. Additional details on the motion can be found [here](#).

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The County is also advocating on the following federal bills:



- **SUPPORT SENATE BILL (S.) 3089 (FETTERMAN) - FAIRNESS FOR VICTIMS OF SNAP SKIMMING ACT OF 2023**

S. 3089 would provide for the replacement of all stolen Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits while removing the sunset provision included in the SNAP Theft Protection Act of 2023 ([H.R. 205, Ruppertsberger](#)), which only allows the replacement of benefits stolen between October 1, 2022, and September 30, 2024. S. 3089 would also remove the limitation of replacement amounts included in the current law. Additional details regarding this pursuit can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORT S. 3111 (PADILLA) - NATIONAL DAM SAFETY PROGRAM REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2023**



S. 3111, would reauthorize the National Dam Safety Program, which expired on September 30, 2023, through federal fiscal year 2028. Reauthorization is critical for protecting communities located downstream of dams and for allocating funds for high hazard potential dams. Additional details regarding this pursuit can be found [here](#).

- **SUPPORT HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (H.R.) 3183 (GOMEZ) - ENHANCE ACCESS TO SNAP (EATS) ACT OF 2023**



H.R. 3183, would permanently remove barriers and expand access to SNAP for students enrolled in college half-time or more. This bill aims to reduce food insecurity in college students and improve academic outcomes. Additional details regarding this pursuit can be found [here](#).



CARE COURT – A NEW MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCE FOSTERING RECOVERY AND EMPOWERMENT

On December 1, 2023, the County of Los Angeles launched a new, state-funded program called Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Court, which helps people with untreated schizophrenia and other associated psychotic disorders receive treatment and services for their health and well-being.

Qualifying individuals or entities can petition the Superior Court of Los Angeles County to help connect eligible individuals to a broad array of services, including mental health and housing services, via a voluntary CARE Agreement or CARE Plan established and overseen by a judicial officer. For additional information on Care Court visit dmh.lacounty.gov/court-programs/care-court/.

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