# AGENDA IRVINE RANCH WATER DISTRICT WATER RESOURCES POLICY AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 2021

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CALL TO ORDER	3:00 p.m.	
<u>ATTENDANCE</u>	Committee Chair: Steven LaMar Member: Karen McLaughlin	
ALSO PRESENT	Paul Cook Wendy Chambers Fiona Sanchez Christine Compton Mark Tettemer Jo Ann Corey Ray Bennett	Paul Weghorst Cheryl Clary Jim Colston Kellie Welch Amy McNulty John Fabris

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#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

- 1. Notes: Weghorst
- 2. Public Comments
- 3. Determine the need to discuss and/or take action on item(s) introduced that came to the attention of the District subsequent to the agenda being posted.
- 4. Determine which items may be approved without discussion.

#### **INFORMATION**

5. <u>IRWD METER TO PARCEL PROJECT – HASTINGS / MCNULTY / SANCHEZ / WEGHORST</u>

Recommendation: Receive and file.

6. <u>360-DEGREE VIRTUAL SAN JOAQUIN MARSH VIDEO ADVENTURE – RIVENBURG / FABRIS / WEGHORST</u>

Recommendation: Receive and file.

#### **ACTION**

7. 2021 LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY UPDATE – COMPTON / COOK

Recommendation: That the Board adopt an "oppose" position on AB 602 (Grayson) and a "support" position on SB 427 (Eggman).

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#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- 8. Directors' Comments
- 9. Adjourn

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Prepared by: N. Hastings / A. McNulty Submitted by: F. Sanchez / P. Weghorst

Approved by: Paul A. Cook

#### WATER RESOURCES POLICY AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

#### IRWD METER TO PARCEL PROJECT UPDATE

#### SUMMARY:

IRWD's budget-based rate structure relies upon accurate outdoor measurements of irrigated areas. The IRWD Meter to Parcel Project has been implemented to improve the accuracy of the District's measurement data pertaining to irrigated landscape areas, to integrate aerial imagery with assessor parcels and meter locations, and to improve the District's understanding of irrigated areas within its service area. This project provides detailed spatial data on the exact area in each parcel irrigated by customer meters. This effort allows staff to utilize spatial techniques to map customer accounts, classify landscape material, and link the information to billing and county assessor data. At the Committee meeting, staff will provide an overview of the project, present results from the project and demonstrate potential future applications and benefits.

#### BACKGROUND:

IRWD began the Meter to Parcel Project in 2017. The primary goal of the project is to improve the District's landscape measurement data by identifying the boundaries of irrigated landscape areas and linking them to corresponding meters and assessor parcels. Developing accurate measurements is complicated by the fact that parcels may have one or more associated meters. The project includes mapping the irrigated areas pertaining to each meter. Part of the project includes using infrared aerial imagery to develop landscape classifications for different plant materials and hardscape throughout IRWD's service area.

While most residential meters can be mapped using remote techniques due to a one-to-one linkage between meter, parcel and customer accounts, the project involved a significant verification process for non-residential accounts. Staff verified the locations and irrigated areas for approximately 9,000 meters through detailed in-field inspections, use of irrigation plans and maps, along with coordination with landscape contractors, property owners, and property managers. The Meter to Parcel Project will be an ongoing effort as new meters are added due to new development and redevelopment in the District's service area.

#### Meter to Parcel Project Benefits:

In addition to improving the accuracy of irrigated area measurements, the project will provide multiple benefits to the District as follows:

*Improving Accuracy of GIS and Billing Data*: The Meter to Parcel Project will improve the accuracy of meter locations throughout the District in a GIS database and will allow staff to identify accounts that may be incorrectly coded where water budgets may be incorrectly set. Identifying and correcting these errors will improves data in the District's billing system.

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Providing Ability to Target Water Efficiency Programs: The project will give staff the ability to map all landscaped areas in the District, which will allow for the development of better targeted water efficiency programs. Staff will be able to refer to these maps to identify villages with specific outdoor landscape characteristics. For example, a village with a high amount of turf or number of swimming pools can be easily chosen as a focus for turf replacement or pool improvement programs.

Evaluating Landscape Changes Over Time: Maps can be overlaid with aerial imagery and landscape classifications to understand the types of plant material distributed throughout the service area and to monitor landscape changes through time. These observations are useful in determining the effectiveness of turf removal and other landscape programs.

Verifying Data from the State: The data resulting from this project can be used to assist the staff in verifying the accuracy of information provided by the Department of Water Resources related to the residential outdoor water budget component of the state legislated Water Use Objective. Water suppliers will be required to comply with an agency-level water budget target, known as the Water Use Objective, beginning in 2023. Staff will also use information from the Meter to Parcel Project to provide technical input to DWR on ways to improve the accuracy of the State's data.

Improving Customer Service and Irrigation Mapping: The data developed through this project will provide important customer service benefits. For example, staff can respond more readily to customer variance requests for acreage changes. It can also provide landscape contractors with irrigation maps to assist them with water budgets for the areas they serve. Data from the Meter to Parcel Project can also be used by District staff in other ways, such as creating maps that display all areas irrigated by recycled water.

#### Next Steps:

Staff is developing an approach to update data from the Meter to Parcel Project on regular intervals to incorporate new accounts. In the next phase of the project, staff will analyze the existing landscape acreages in IRWD's billing system which are used to calculate customer water budgets and compare the data with the acreages developed through the Meter to Parcel Project. At the Committee meeting, staff will provide an overview of the project. Staff will also present results from the project and demonstrate potential future applications.

#### FISCAL IMPACTS:

Funds to complete the Meter to Parcel Project are included the District's operating budget and are being paid from over-allocation revenues. Total project costs incurred to date are in the amount of \$1.1 million.

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### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:**

The Meter to Parcel Project is not a project as defined in the California Environmental Quality Act as authorized under the California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15378.

## RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file.

### **LIST OF EXHIBITS:**

None.

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Approved by: Paul A. Cook

#### WATER RESOURCES POLICY AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

#### 360-DEGREE VIRTUAL SAN JOAQUIN MARSH VIDEO ADVENTURE

#### SUMMARY:

A new IRWD education tool, developed as part of an ongoing educational partnership with Discovery Cube Orange County, now allows students attending school in the IRWD service area to participate in virtual field trips of the San Joaquin Marsh. The educational tool is an interactive 360-degree Marsh Video Adventure that features real footage of the Marsh with searchable data points that students can click to display photographs and text that describe and explore the various aspects of the Marsh, including the Natural Treatment System and the plants and animals that call the Marsh home.

#### BACKGROUND:

IRWD has partnered with Discovery Cube Orange County since 2007, collaborating on programs that teach local students about the importance of water, the various sources of water in Southern California, the effects of urban runoff on wetland and ocean habitat, and the many ways water can be used more sustainably. More than 120,000 students attending elementary or middle school in the District's service area have benefitted from this partnership through a variety of grade level-appropriate assemblies, workshops and field trips to the San Joaquin Marsh.

#### 360-Degree Virtual Video Adventure:

In 2020, IRWD responded to COVID-19 by collaborating with Discovery Cube to take water education programs online, creating scheduled and on-demand virtual workshops and activities. Discovery Cube has rolled out these workshops and events on a class-by-class basis in coordination with local teachers. Later in the year, staff worked with Discovery Cube on a new concept that could replace the traditional Marsh field trips and that could also be used in future programming. The result is a highly engaging, interactive, searchable and clickable 360-Degree Virtual Video Adventure. At the Committee meeting, staff will present an overview and demonstration of the virtual adventure.

Filmed on location, the video includes game-like click-points that bring up photographs and informational text when engaged. For example, a click on the mistletoe in a sycamore tree at the Marsh Campus will display a detailed photograph of the plant and a description of the relationship between the two species. IRWD Wetland Scientist Mo Wise is the host of the adventure, guiding students through tasks that include a trip to "Bird Island" and an underwater search at the "Water's Edge" for helpful bacteria that clean the water as part of the District's Natural Treatment System.

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#### Making the Virtual Experience:

Filming was completed over several days as crews captured traditional and 360-degree video of the Marsh, the Marsh Campus and several of the plant and animal species that live among the ponds and pathways. Key points of interest were identified by staff and incorporated into the experience. Much of this information is compiled in a digital Nature Journal that students fill in as they click on various species they discover in the video.

Discovery Cube staff blended fun into the experience with game-like functions – adding clickable dew drops as incentives and locked barriers to new parts of the Marsh that can only be unlocked with a correct answer on a quiz. At the Water's Edge, humorous "villain" and "hero" cards portray pollutants and the natural components, such as pathogens and sunlight, that clean the water. Students match the cards for points.

#### Response and Next Steps:

Response to the new tool has been extremely positive. Teachers have expressed appreciation for the creative approach taken to convey concepts of science in an effective and engaging way. Students said the experience was fun and that they learned a great deal working their way through the Marsh.

The video adventure is now being used in Discovery Cube's outreach to local schools. In the future, it will be incorporated into other educational outreach once in-person learning resumes. Staff is developing ideas as to how it could be used in other future outreach programs.

#### FISCAL IMPACTS:

The cost for this project is \$93,642 and was paid from existing operating 2020-21 funding, which in a non-pandemic year would have been spent on traditional San Joaquin Marsh field trips for fifth-grade students. The interactive experience can be used without additional cost for many years.

## ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:

Not applicable.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Receive and file.

#### LIST OF EXHIBITS:

None.

April 1, 2021 Prepared and submitted by: C. Compton

Approved by: Paul A. Cook

#### WATER RESOURCES POLICY AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

#### 2021 LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY UPDATE

#### SUMMARY:

This report provides an update on the 2021-2022 legislative session, regulatory issues, and IRWD priorities. As legislation and regulations develop, staff will provide updates and recommendations to the Water Resources Policy and Communications Committee and the Board, as appropriate.

Staff recommends the Board consider the following actions/positions:

- AB 602 (Grayson) Development Fees: "OPPOSE", and
- SB 427 (Eggman) Water Theft: "SUPPORT"

#### BACKGROUND:

Over the past few weeks, many of the spot bills which were introduced have been amended as their authors seek to have the bills referred to and heard in the appropriate policy committee. This year, the last day for policy committees to hear fiscal bills is April 30, while May 7 is the policy committee deadline for non-fiscal bills. The last day for fiscal committees to meet and act on bills introduced in their house is May 21.

As authors move their bills forward, they have had to keep in mind the Legislative Spring Recess. This year, the Legislature recessed for the spring break on March 25. It will reconvene on April 5.

A copy of the 2021 Legislative Matrix is provided as Exhibit "A". Links to the bills discussed below are included within each discussion unless a separate exhibit is noted.

#### 2021 State Legislative Update:

AB 602 (Grayson, D-Concord) – Development Fees:

On March 18, Assemblymember Timothy Grayson amended AB 602, which had been introduced as a spot bill on development impact fees. As amended, AB 602 intends to standardize the fee and nexus study process required for setting development impact fees; however, it also requires that any fee imposed on a housing development be proportionate to the square footage of the proposed unit or units being developed. As currently written, AB 602 includes water and wastewater connection fees, although these fees are not development impact fees under state law, and would require that connection fees be set on a square-foot basis.

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Pursuant to existing law, water and sewer connection fees are set pursuant to Proposition 26 and specific provisions of the Government Code. These laws require that connection fees be cost of service-based and proportional to the cost to serve the new development. IRWD currently uses a specific cost of service-based methodology for setting its water and sewer connection fees.

AB 602's square-foot requirements for setting connection fees would require the District to change its current methodology. Given the impact the bill would have on the District's ability to set connection fees, staff recommends the Board adopt an "oppose" position on AB 602.

In addition to AB 602, Senator Rosilicie Ochoa Bogh (R- Rancho Cucamonga) substantially amended SB 695 in early March. As amended, SB 695 would also change certain laws related to development impact fees. Staff is working with the District's industry and associations to determine what the Senator's goals are for SB 695. Staff will provide an update on SB 695 should new information become available prior to the Committee meeting.

#### SB 443 (Newman, D-Fullerton) – Redistricting:

The California Constitution establishes a hierarchy of criteria for establishing and redistricting the district boundaries for the State Senate, Assembly, House of Representatives, and State Board of Equalization. While state law does not establish a hierarchy for local district or division boundaries, the factors that may be considered are clearly established by state and federal law. Local governments are permitted to prioritize these various factors when they draw division boundaries or redistrict. SB 443 proposes to change this and would establish a hierarchy for the criteria which can be considered when drawing county board of education, school district, community college district, special district, city, or county districts or divisions.

SB 443 would require that when drawing special district division boundaries, the following be the exclusive criteria considered in order of priority:

- "(1) Districts shall comply with the United States Constitution. Districts shall achieve population equality as nearly as is practicable, except where deviation is required to comply with the federal Voting Rights Act.
- (2) Districts shall comply with the federal Voting Rights Act (52 U.S.C. Sec. 10101 et seq.).
- (3) Districts shall be geographically contiguous to the extent possible in keeping with population equality.
- (4) The geographic integrity of any local neighborhood or local community of interest shall be respected in a manner that minimizes their division to the extent possible without violating the requirements of any of the preceding paragraphs. A community of interest is a contiguous population which shares common social and economic interests that should be included within a single district for purposes of its effective and fair representation. Examples of such shared interests are those common to an urban area, a rural area, an industrial area, or an agricultural area, and those common to areas in which the people share similar living standards, use the same transportation facilities, have

similar work opportunities, or have access to the same media of communication relevant to the election process. Communities of interest shall not include relationships with political parties, incumbents, or political candidates.

(5) To the extent practicable, and where this does not conflict with the criteria above, districts shall be drawn to encourage geographical compactness such that nearby areas of population are not bypassed for more distant population."

Furthermore, SB 443 would prohibit consideration of the place of residence of any incumbent or political candidate in the drawing of Divisions.

#### <u>Updates Other State Legislation of Interest to IRWD:</u>

Staff will also update the Committee on and discuss the following bills:

- AB 377 (R. Rivas, D-Salinas) Water Quality: Impaired Waters: AB 377 has been amended several times since its introduction. The most recent round of amendments removes the requirement that surface waters of the state be fishable, swimmable and drinkable by January 1, 2050, and replace it with a requirement that surface waters of the state attain applicable beneficial uses by January 1, 2050. The amendments also modify some of the prohibitions which were included in the introduced version of the bill including certain prohibitions regarding permits issue by the State Water Resources Control Board and regional water quality control boards. While these amendments address some concern with the bill, substantial opposition remains because the bill would fundamentally change the requirements for discharge permits and the permitting process. IRWD currently has an "oppose" position on AB 377;
- *AB 1271 (Ting, D- San Francisco) Surplus Land:* Assemblymember Philip Ting recently amended AB 1271, which had been a spot bill. As amended, AB 1271 proposes changes to the Surplus Lands Act (SLA). Staff is monitoring AB 1271 closely for any changes to the SLA that could impact the District;
- COVID-19 Utility Bills Assistance: The California Municipal Utilities Association (CMUA), along with other statewide associations, has continued to advocate for \$1 billion for COVID-19 utility bill assistance to assist public agency utility customers, who have been impacted by COVID-19, with their outstanding bills. A copy of the framework being proposed by CMUA can be viewed at <a href="https://www.cmua.org/Files/2021%20Legislative%20Resources/arrears\_budget\_ask\_program\_structure\_final.pdf?mc\_cid=1690dc89c4&mc\_eid=27f5e2969d">https://www.cmua.org/Files/2021%20Legislative%20Resources/arrears\_budget\_ask\_program\_structure\_final.pdf?mc\_cid=1690dc89c4&mc\_eid=27f5e2969d</a>
- SB 222 (Dodd, D-Napa), Water Affordability Assistance Program, and SB 223 (Dodd) Discontinuation of Residential Water Service: The author and sponsors of SB 222 and SB 223 have continued to discuss the concerns the water community has raised with the bills. In reaction to those concerns, these have proposed amendments, which are included in Exhibit. "B". IRWD currently has an "oppose unless amended" position on SB 222 and SB 223;

- SB 323 (Caballero, D-Salinas) Legal Action on Water and Sewer Service Rates: SB 323 was amended on March 17 with clarifying amendments. The bill is currently in the Senate Judiciary Committee. IRWD currently has a "support" position on SB 323;
- SB 427 (Eggman, D-Stockton) Water Theft: SB 427 was recently amended with substantial amendments. The bill would now permit a local water agency to adopt an ordinance prohibiting water theft and make a violation of that ordinance subject to specific fines or penalties ranging from \$130 to \$3,000. IRWD currently has a "support if amended" position on SB 427. Staff recommends the Board adopt a "support" position on SB 427 given that the bill would now allow the District to adopt an ordinance on water theft; and
- Other legislation of interest to the District.

#### 2021 State Regulatory Update:

California Air Resources Board Advanced Clean Fleets Regulation:

In identical workshops on March 2 and March 4, the California Air Resources Board (CARB) presented an overview of the scope of the Advanced Clean Fleets regulation that it is currently developing. The Advanced Clean Fleet regulation is one component of the state's strategy to achieve zero-emission vehicle (ZEV) truck and bus fleets by 2045, wherever feasible, and significantly earlier than 2045 for certain market segments including public fleets.

As part of this regulation, CARB was directed by Executive Order N-79-20 to develop regulations for medium-and heavy-duty vehicles targeting a full fleet transition 100 percent zero-emission vehicles by 2045 everywhere feasible. The Executive Order also directed CARB to enact regulations to achieve 100 percent ZEV for drayage fleets by 2035. CARB has decided to accelerate the timeframe to public fleets and last-mile delivery fleets with the goal to achieve 100 percent ZEV fleets in these sectors much earlier than 2045. The Advanced Clean Fleets regulation would apply to vehicles rated at over 8,500 pounds.

The overview presented in the CARB workshops included a requirement that, beginning in 2024, at least 50 percent of new or replacement vehicles purchased by local agencies would need to be ZEV or near zero emission vehicles (NZEV). The purchase requirement would increase to 100 percent in 2027 and change to 100 percent ZEV beginning in 2035.

#### Other 2021 State Regulations:

The following is a list of some of the State regulations and agency reports staff is monitoring, tracking or planning to engage in over the next three to 12 months. As the next drafts of the regulations or report are released for public review and comment, staff will engage, as appropriate. Staff will also provide an oral update to the Committee on any new developments related to these regulations.

The pending regulations and reports actively being tracked include the:

- Board of Forestry and Fire Protection's propose "Fire Safe Regulations;"
- California Plumbing Code Update;
- California Water Commission Workshops on Water Conveyance;
- Department of Water Resources (DWR) and the State Board's implementation of the "Making Water Conservation a California Way of Life" legislation;
- Implementation of Executive Order <u>EO-N-82-2020</u> requiring 30 percent of the state's land and coastal waters to be conserved by 2030;
- Implementation of the Governor's Water Resiliency Portfolio;
- State Board's development of a "Cross Connection Policy Handbook;"
- State Board's Electronic Annual Report;
- State Board's Safe and Affordable Funding for Equity and Resilience (SAFER) Drinking Water Program; and
- State Board's Water Loss Performance Standards Regulations.

#### 2021 Federal Legislative Update:

IRWD's federal advocacy efforts in 2021 continue to largely focus on seeking federal funding for the Kern Fan Groundwater Storage Project and advocating for an increased funding authorization for the federal Water Storage Program. Staff will update the Committee on these efforts and will update the Committee on the on-going efforts related to positioning the Kern Fan Groundwater Storage Project for federal funding this year, and other federal proposals of interest to the District.

#### FISCAL IMPACTS:

Not applicable.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE:

Not applicable.

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board adopt an "oppose" position on AB 602 (Grayson) and a "support" position on SB 427 (Eggman).

#### LIST OF EXHIBITS:

Exhibit "A" – IRWD Legislative Matrix Exhibit "B" – Text of SB 222 and SB 223 Proposed Amendments Note: This page is intentionally left blank.

## EXHIBIT "A" IRWD 2021 LEGISLATIVE MATRIX March 29, 2021

Bill No.	Title	IRWD	Summary/Effect	Status
Author		Position		
AB 1 Garcia (D)	Hazardous Waste		Creates the Board of Environmental Safety in the California Environmental Protection Agency. Provides requirements for the membership of the board and requires the board to conduct no less than 6 public meetings per year. Provides for the duties of the board, which would include, among others, reviewing specified policies, processes, and programs within the hazardous waste control laws.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 2 Fong (R)	Regulations: Legislative Review: Regulatory Reform		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.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ACCOUNTABILITY AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW.
AB 9 Wood (D)	Wildfires		States the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation that would increase California's capacity to prevent and reduce the impact of wildfires.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 11 Ward (D)	Climate Change: Regional Climate Change Authorities		Requires the Strategic Growth Council to establish regional climate change authorities to coordinate climate adaptation and mitigation activities in their regions and coordinate with other regional climate adaptation authorities, state agencies, and other relevant stakeholders. Authorizes the regional climate change authorities to engage in certain activities to address climate change. Requires the regional climate change authorities to annually submit to the council a report on their activities.	01/21/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 15 Chiu (D)	COVID-19 Relief: Tenancy Stabilization Act of 2021		Extends the definition of "COVID-19 rental debt" as unpaid rent or any other unpaid financial obligation of a tenant that came due between March 1, 2020, and December 31, 2021. Extends the repeal date of the COVID-19 Tenant Relief Act of 2020 to January 1, 2026. Prohibits a landlord from taking certain actions with respect to a tenant's COVID-19 rental debt, including, among others, charging or attempting to collect late fees, or withholding a service or amenity.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

Bill No.	Title	IRWD	Summary/Effect	Status
Author		Position		
AB 16 Chiu (D)	Tenancies: Tenant, Small Landlord, and Housing Act		Establishes the Tenant, Small Landlord, and Affordable Housing Provider Stabilization Program. Authorizes the Director of Housing and Community Development to direct an existing office or program within the Department of Housing and Community Development to implement the program. Establishes in the State Treasury the COVID-19 Tenant, Small Landlord, and Affordable Housing Provider Stabilization Fund, and, upon appropriation, distributes all moneys in the fund to carry out the purposes of the program.	01/12/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.
AB 20 Lee (D)	Political Reform Act of 1974: Corporate-Free Elections		Enacts the Corporate-Free Elections Act. Prohibits a candidate for elective office from receiving a contribution from a business entity, and a business entity from making a contribution to a candidate for elective office.	03/01/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on ELECTIONS.
AB 25 Kiley (R)	Worker Classification: Employees and Contractors		Generally repeals provisions relating to the "ABC" test to determine if workers are employees or independent contractors. The bill would instead require the determination of whether a person is an employee or an independent contractor to be based on the specific multifactor test set forth in the Borello decision, including whether the person to whom service is rendered has the right to control the manner and means of accomplishing the result desired.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 29 Cooper (D)	State Bodies: Meetings		Requires that the notice of a meeting of a state body include all writings or materials provided for the noticed meeting to a member of the state body by the staff of a state agency, board, or commission, or another member of the state body that are in connection with a matter subject of discussion or consideration at the meeting.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION.
AB 33 Ting (D)	Energy Storage Systems		Requires the Energy Commission, in administering the State Energy Conservation Assistance Account, to provide grants and loans to maximize energy use savings, expand installation of energy storage systems and expand the availability of transportation electrification infrastructure.	03/16/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY.
AB 49 Petrie-Norris (D)	California Debt Limit Allocation Committee		Abolishes the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee and transfer its powers, duties, and functions to the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-

Bill No. Author	Title	IRWD Position	Summary/Effect	Status
				referred to Committee on ACCOUNTABILITY AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW.
AB 50 Boerner Horvath (D)	Climate Adaptation Center and Regional Support Network		Establishes the Climate Adaptation Center and Regional Support Network in the Ocean Protection Council to provide local governments facing sea level rise challenges with information and scientific expertise necessary to proceed with sea level rise mitigation.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 51 Quirk (D)	Regional Climate Adaptation Planning Groups		Requires the Strategic Growth Council, by July 1, 2022, to establish guidelines for the formation of regional climate adaptation planning groups. Requires the council, by July 1, 2023, and in consultation with certain state entities, to develop criteria for the development of regional climate adaptation plans.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 52 Frazier (D)	California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006		Requires the State Air Resources Board, in each scoping plan update prepared by the state board after January 1, 2022, to include, consistent with the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, recommendations for achieving the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions of emissions of greenhouse gases and black carbon from wildfires. Expresses the intent of the Legislature to appropriate an amount from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund for wildfire mitigation and prevention.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 55 Boerner Horvath (D)	Employment: Telecommuting		Declares the intent of the Legislature to enact future legislation to ensure certain rights and benefits for telecommuting employees.	12/07/2020 - INTRODUCED.
AB 59 Gabriel (D)	Mitigation Fee Act: Fees: Notice and Timeliness	OPPOSE	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.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on LOCAL GOVERNMENT and HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.
AB 63 Petrie-Norris (D)	Marine Resources: Marine Managed Areas Improvement Act		Relates to the Marine Managed Areas Improvement Act, restoration activities. Authorizes the designating entity or managing agency to also permit restoration activities.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.

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AB 64 Quirk (D)	Electricity: Long-term Backup Electricity Supply		Requires the PUC, Energy Commission, and state board, in consultation with all balancing authorities, to additionally develop a strategy, by a specified date, that achieves (1) a target of 5 gigawatthours of operational long-term backup electricity, as specified, by a specified date, and (2) a target of at least an additional 5 gigawatthours of operational long-term backup electricity in each subsequent year through 2045.	03/23/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY.
AB 67 Petrie-Norris (D)	Sea Level Rise: Working Group: Economic Analysis		Requires a state agency to take into account the current and future impacts of sea level rise when planning, designing, building, operating, maintaining, and investing in infrastructure located in the coastal zone or otherwise vulnerable to flooding from sea level rise or storm surges, or when otherwise approving the allocation of state funds for those purposes.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 69 Kiley (R)	State of Emergency: Termination After 60 Days		Requires a state of emergency to terminate 60 days after the Governor's proclamation of the state of emergency unless the Legislature extends it by a concurrent resolution. Prohibits a concurrent resolution from extending a state of emergency by more than 60 days.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.
AB 72 Petrie-Norris (D)	Environmental Protection: Coastal Adaptation Projects		Enacts the Coastal Adaptation Permitting Act of 2021. Requires the Natural Resources Agency to explore, and authorize it to implement, options within the agency's jurisdiction to establish a more coordinated and efficient regulatory review and permitting process for coastal adaptation projects.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 84 Budget Cmt	Employment: COVID-19: Supplemental Paid Sick Leave		Provides for COVID-19 supplemental paid sick leave for covered employees, as defined, who are unable to work or telework due to certain reasons related to COVID-19, including that the employee has been advised by a health care provider to self-quarantine due to concerns related to COVID-19.	03/16/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.
AB 93 Garcia E (D)	Pandemics: Priority for Medical Treatment: Food Supply		States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to prioritize workers in the food supply industry, including, but not limited to, field workers and grocery workers, for rapid testing and vaccination programs in response to pandemics, including COVID-19.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on HEALTH.
AB 95 Low (D)	Employees: Bereavement Leave		Enacts the Bereavement Leave Act of 2021. Requires an employer with 25 or more employees to grant a request made by any employee to take up to 10	03/22/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second

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			business days of unpaid bereavement leave upon the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling, grandparent, grandchild, or domestic partner, in accordance with certain procedures, and subject to certain exclusions. Requires an employer with fewer than 25 employees to grant up to 3 business days of leave.	time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 96 O'Donnell (D)	Clean Truck, Bus, and Off-Road Vehicle and Technology		Extends the requirement that 20% of funding be made available to support early commercial deployment of existing zero- and near-zero-emission heavy-duty truck technology until December 31, 2026. The bill would further require at least 20% of that funding support early commercial deployment of existing near-zero-emission heavy-duty truck technology.	03/22/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION.
AB 100 Holden (D)	Drinking Water: Pipes and Fittings: Lead Content		Defines "lead free" under the California Safe Drinking Water Act, with respect to end point devices, to mean that the devices do not leach more than one microgram of lead under certain tests and meeting a specified certification.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 108 Cunningham (R)	Governor's Emergency Orders and Regulations: Approval		Permits an order or regulation, or an amendment or rescission thereof, issued pursuant to specified California Emergency Services Act (CESA) provisions 60 or more days after the proclamation, to take effect only if approved by a concurrent resolution of the Legislature.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.
AB 111 Boerner Horvath (D)	Transportation: Zero-emission Vehicles		Requires the Secretary of the Transportation Agency, in consultation with certain state entities, to implement a Safe and Clean Truck Infrastructure Program to support the construction and operation of zero-emission mediumand heavy-duty vehicle parking and electric vehicle charging and hydrogen refueling infrastructure on public and private properties, and to encourage the use of zero-emission vehicles.	03/22/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION.
AB 119 Salas (D)	County Assessors: Direct Levies		Requires the county auditor, or other county officer designated by the county, to make publicly available on their internet website information about direct levies as defined, including the range of combined direct levies assessed on real property. Requires a website posting that identifies contact information for each direct levy assessed within their jurisdiction, to also include the range of fees assessed on individual parcels of real property subject to the special district's assessment.	01/26/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

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AB 123 Gonzalez (D)	Paid Family Leave: Weekly Benefit Amount		Revises the formula for determining benefits available pursuant to the family temporary disability insurance program, for periods of disability commencing after January 1, 2022, by redefining the weekly benefit amount to be equal to 90% of the wages paid to an individual for employment by employers during the quarter of the individual's disability base period in which these wages were highest, divided by 13, but not exceeding the maximum workers' compensation disability indemnity weekly benefit amount.	01/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on INSURANCE.
AB 125 Rivas R (D)	Equitable Economic Recovery, Healthy Food Access		Enact the Equitable Economic Recovery, Healthy Food Access, Climate Resilient Farms, and Worker Protection Bond Act. Authorizes the issuance of bonds to finance programs related to agricultural lands, food and fiber infrastructure, climate resilience, agricultural professionals, including farmers, ranchers, and farmworkers, workforce development and training, air quality, tribes, disadvantaged communities, nutrition, food aid, meat processing facilities, fishing facilities, and fairgrounds.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on AGRICULTURE.
AB 221 Santiago (D)	Emergency Food Assistance		Requires the Department of Social Services to provide a food assistance benefit statewide to low-income California residents, regardless of their immigration status, upon the appropriation of funds by the Legislature for this purpose or a determination by the Governor that specified funds available to the Governor may be used for this purpose. Provides that a person is eligible for this benefit if they are an adult who self-attests to eligibility for at least one of 3 prescribed benefits.	01/28/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on HUMAN SERVICES.
AB 230 Voepel (R)	Employment: Flexible Work Schedules		Enacts the Workplace Flexibility Act of 2021. Permits an individual nonexempt employee to request an employee-selected flexible work schedule providing for workdays up to a certain number of hours per day within a 40-hour workweek, and would allow an employer to implement this schedule without the obligation to pay overtime compensation for those additional hours in a workday, except as specified.	01/28/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 237 Gray (D)	Public Employment: Unfair Practices: Health Protection		Creates the Public Employee Health Protection Act. Makes it an unfair practice for a covered employer to fail or refuse to maintain or pay for continued health care or other medical coverage for an enrolled employee or their enrolled dependents, for the duration of the enrolled employee's participation in an authorized strike, at the level and under the conditions	03/01/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT.

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			that coverage would have been provided if the employee had continued to work in their position for the duration of the strike.	
AB 244 Rubio (D)	Affordable Housing Cost Study: Housing Plan Addendum		Requires the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee, the Department of Housing and Community Development, the California Housing Finance Agency, and the California Debt Limit Allocation Committee to conduct an affordable housing cost study that measures the factors that influence the cost of building affordable housing, breaks down total development costs for affordable housing, and enables the state to maximize resources allocated for affordable housing.	01/28/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.
AB 252 Rivas R (D)	Department of Conservation: Incentive Program		Requires the Department of Conservation to establish and administer a program named the Multibenefit Land Repurposing Incentive Program for purposes of providing grants to groundwater sustainability agencies or counties, or other specified entities designated by groundwater sustainability agencies or counties, for the development or implementation of local programs supporting or facilitating multibenefit land repurposing at the basin scale.	01/28/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 255 Muratsuchi (D)	Tenancy: Commercial Leases: COVID-19 Rent Relief		States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would provide commercial rent relief protections for small businesses affected by the COVID-19 pandemic to help them weather this public health and economic crisis without losing their businesses.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on JUDICIARY.
AB 267 Valladares (R)	California Environmental Quality Act: Exemption		Extends the exemption from CEQA prescribed fire, thinning, or fuel reduction projects undertaken on federal lands to reduce the risk of high-severity wildfire that have been reviewed under the federal National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the requirement on the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to report to the relevant policy committees of the Legislature.	03/24/2021 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
AB 284 Rivas R (D)	Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Climate Goal		Requires the State Air Resources Board, when updating the scoping plan and in collaboration with the Natural Resources Agency and other relevant state agencies and departments, to take specified actions by a certain date, including, among others, identifying a 2045 climate goal, with interim milestones, for the state's natural and working lands.	03/24/2021 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

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AB 297 Gallagher (R)	Fire Prevention		Appropriates certain amounts to the Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention and the California Conservation Corps, respectively, for fire prevention activities. Exempts from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) projects or activities related to forest health and fuel reduction that involve thinning overgrown brushes or trees 10 inches or less in diameter by mechanical thinning, pile burning, prescribed fire, and grazing.	02/12/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on NATURAL RESOURCES and REVENUE AND TAXATION.
AB 304 Quirk (D)	Contaminated Sites: Waste Releases		Authorizes a person to request the local officer to oversee the remedial action only if the release of waste is not being overseen by the department or a regional water quality control board. The bill would authorize the local officer to agree to oversee the remedial action only if the local officer determines that the same conditions referenced above have been met, the local officer has submitted specified information to the department and the regional water quality control board within the past 12 months.	03/23/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 315 Stone (D)	Voluntary Stream Restoration Property Owner Liability		Requires the state to indemnify and hold harmless a property owner who voluntarily allows their property to be used for such a project to restore fish and wildlife habitat from civil liability for property damage or personal injury resulting from the project if the project meets specified requirements.	03/11/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 318 Levine (D)	Hazardous Waste: Classification: Exclusion: Green Waste		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.	03/09/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 322 Salas (D)	Energy: Electric Program Investment Charge Program		Requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to allocate not less than 20% of the funds appropriated for the Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) program to bioenergy projects for biomass conversion, as defined.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY.

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AB 327 Kiley (R)	California Cybersecurity Integration Center		Add the California Privacy Protection Agency as one of the organizations whose representatives comprise the California Cybersecurity Integration Center. Declare that its provisions further the purposes and intent of the California Privacy Rights Act of 2020.	02/12/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on PRIVACY AND CONSUMER PROTECTION and EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.
AB 336 Villapudua (D)	Enhanced Infrastructure Financing: Public Authority		Specifies that any member of the legislative body of a participating affected taxing entity who serves as a member of the public financing authority of an enhanced infrastructure financing district, as described, may also serve as a member of the governing body of an agency or entity formed pursuant to an agreement for the joint exercise of power that the participating affected taxing entity has entered into in accordance with the Joint Exercise of Powers Act.	03/24/2021 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Do pass. To Consent Calendar.
AB 339 Lee (D)	State and Local Government: Open Meetings		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.	01/28/2021 - INTRODUCED.
AB 343 Fong (R)	California Public Records Act Ombudsperson		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.	02/12/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on ACCOUNTABILITY AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW and JUDICIARY.
AB 345 Quirk-Silva (D)	Accessory Dwelling Units: Separate Conveyance		Requires each local agency to allow an accessory dwelling unit to be sold or conveyed separately from the primary residence to a qualified buyer if certain conditions are met.	03/24/2021 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
AB 346 Seyarto (R)	Privacy: Breach		Relates to the Information Practices Act which requires an agency, which includes a local agency, that owns or licenses computerized data that	02/12/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on

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AB 350 Villapudua (D)	Cannella Environmental Farming Act of 1995		Requires the Department of Food and Agriculture to establish and administer a 3-year grant program to fund technical assistance to support landowners located in critically overdrafted basins, as defined, in the San Joaquin Valley in reaching water use reduction goals established pursuant to the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.	03/22/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on AGRICULTURE.
AB 355 Cooper (D)	Demand-Side Energy Management Programs		Requires the Public Utilities Commission to monitor the incentive program to ensure that savings generated by the program are equitable and ethical.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY.
AB 361 Rivas R (D)	Open Meetings: Local Agencies: Teleconferences		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.	02/12/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
AB 363 Medina (D)	Carl Moyer Air Quality Standards Attainment Program		Requires the state board to establish or update grant criteria and guidelines for covered vehicle and infrastructure projects as soon as practicable, but not later than July 1, 2017. The state board's program guidelines describe the minimum criteria and requirements for on-road heavy-duty vehicles and the types of projects that can be incentivized to provide surplus emissions reductions from on-road heavy-duty vehicles through contracts or through the On-Road Heavy-Duty Voucher Incentive Program (VIP).	03/23/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION.
AB 373 Seyarto (R)	State Emergency Plan: Update		Requires the California Office of Emergency Services to update the State Emergency Plan every three years.	03/03/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-

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AB 377 Rivas R (D)	Water Quality: Impaired Waters	OPPOSE	Requires all California surface waters to attain applicable beneficial uses.	03/22/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 379 Gallagher (R)	Wildlife Conservation: Conservation Lands		Authorizes the Department of Fish and Game to enter into a specified type of agreement with a California Native American tribe. Authorizes the board to make grants or loans to California Native American tribes for various purposes in connection with fish and wildlife habitats.	02/12/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 380 Seyarto (R)	Forestry: Priority Fuel Reduction Projects		Requires the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, before December 31, 2022, and before December 31 of each year thereafter, to identify priority fuel reduction projects. Exempts the identified priority fuel reduction projects from certain legal requirements in a similar manner as provided in the proclamation of a state of emergency issued by the Governor on March 22, 2019.	02/12/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 386 Cooper (D)	Public Employees Retirement: Investments: Confidential		Exempts from disclosure under the California Public Records Act specified records regarding an internally managed private loan made directly by the Public Employees' Retirement Fund. Provides that these records would include quarterly and annual financial statements of the borrower or its constituent owners, unless the information has already been publicly released by the keeper of the information.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT.
AB 404 Salas (D)	Workers' Compensation: Medical-Legal Expenses		Relates to Workers compensation. Requires that the medical-legal fee schedule be updated at least annually to increase the conversion factor by the percentage increase in the most recent federal Medicare Economic Index. Requires that the fee schedule not decrease in the event that the federal Medicare Economic Index decreases.	02/12/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on INSURANCE.

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AB 418 Valladares (R)	Emergency Services: Grant Program		Establishes the Community Power Resiliency Program to be administered by the Office of Emergency Services, to support local governments in priority areas including schools, elections offices, food storage reserves, COVID-19 testing sites, and traffic signals and street lamps. Authorizes the Office to allocate specified sums, pursuant to an appropriation by the Legislature, to local governments, special districts, and tribes for various purposes relating to power resiliency.	02/12/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT and UTILITIES AND ENERGY.
AB 426 Bauer- Kahan (D)	Toxic Air Contaminants		Authorizes air pollution control districts and air quality management districts to adopt and implement regulations to require data regarding air pollution within the district's jurisdiction from indirect and areawide sources of air pollution, including mobile sources drawn by those sources, to enable the calculation of health risks from toxic air contaminants. Authorizes the districts to adopt and implement regulations to accomplish these objectives in carrying out their responsibilities.	03/17/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 427 Bauer- Kahan (D)	Electricity: Resource Adequacy Requirements		Requires the Public Utilities Commission, by July 1, 2022, to establish rules that allow demand response programs and resources procured by a load-serving entity to meet the load-serving entity's resource adequacy requirements regardless of whether the program is integrated into the wholesale market overseen by the Independent System Operator, and to adopt a baseline methodology that treats the charging of energy storage as load in baseline calculations for demand response programs.	02/12/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY.
AB 428 Mayes (R)	Government: Board Of Supervisors		Requires that, when term limits are imposed, the limit must be no fewer than a specified amount of terms. Specifies that the board of supervisors is included in the definition of county officers for whom the board of supervisors is required to prescribe compensation.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
AB 431 Patterson (R)	Forestry: Timber Harvesting Plans: Defensible Space		Extends to January 1, 2026, the State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection's authorization to exempt a person from the Forest Practice Act of 1973 engaging in the cutting or removal of trees on the person's property in compliance with specified defensible space requirements as provided.	03/24/2021 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
AB 436 Fong (R)	Wages: Records: Inspection and Copying		Relates to existing law which gives every current and former employee the right to inspect and receive a copy of the personnel records that the employer	02/12/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on

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			maintains relating to the employee's performance. Requires, if an employee or their representative requests to inspect or copy records relating to the itemized statement and also requests to inspect or receive a copy of personnel records, that the deadline to comply with both requests be governed by the response deadline provisions.	LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 440 Bigelow (R)	Bear Lake Reservoir: Recreational Use		Deletes a condition that bodily contact is allowed for no more than 4 months each year, and would delete the above-referenced minimum frequency for the Lake Alpine Water Company to conduct the monitoring program.	03/24/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 442 Mayes (R)	Surface Mining and Reclamation Act: Exemption		Exempts from the provisions of the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act of 1975 emergency excavations or grading conducted by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California (MWD) for its own operations and infrastructure for specified purposes. Authorizes MWD to prepare a single master reclamation plan, as provided, for its earth moving operations conducted on lands owned or leased by, or upon which easements or rights-of-way have been granted to, MWD for specified purposes.	03/24/2021 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES: Do pass to Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 444 Public Employment and Retirement Cmt	State and Local Employees: Pay Warrants: Designees		Relates to State and local employees. Prescribes a process by which an appointing power would issue a check directly to a designated person instead of delivering employee warrants to that person. Provides that upon sufficient proof of the designee's identity, the appointing power must endorse and deposit the warrant issued to a deceased employee back into the Treasury to the credit of the fund or appropriation upon which it was drawn, then issue a revolving fund check to the designated person.	02/18/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT.
AB 464 Mullin (D)	Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts		Relates to existing law which authorizes an infrastructure financing district to finance the ongoing or capitalized costs to maintain facilities financed in whole or in part by the district, but prohibits the use of proceeds of bonds issued to finance maintenance of any kind. Removes the prohibition on the use of proceeds of bonds issued to finance maintenance of any kind.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

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AB 473 Chau (D)	California Public Records Act		Recodifies and reorganizes the provisions of the California Public Records Act. The bill would include provisions to govern the effect of recodification and states that the bill is intended to be entirely nonsubstantive in effect.	03/24/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time. To Consent Calendar.
AB 474 Chau (D)	California Public Records Act: Conforming Revisions		Enacts various conforming and technical changes related to another bill that recodifies and reorganizes the California Public Records Act. The bill would only become operative if the related bill recodifying the act is enacted and becomes operative on January 1, 2023.	03/24/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time. To Consent Calendar.
AB 480 Carrillo (D)	Hazardous Substances		Requires the reporting of the release or threatened release of a hazardous substance to the unified program agency (UPA) and the Office of Emergency Services. Requires a handler, employee, authorized representative, agent, or their designee to provide state, city, or county fire or public health or safety personnel and emergency response personnel with access to the handler's facility if there is a release or threatened release at the facility.	02/18/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 513 Bigelow (R)	Employment: Telecommuting Employees		Authorizes an employee working from home or a remote location not at the physical location of the employer to receive legally required notices and postings electronically and sign or acknowledge certain documents electronically.	03/17/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 517 Dahle M (R)	California State Safe Harbor Agreement Program Act		Relates to existing law which requires the Department of Fish and Wildlife to provide notice to the landowner at least 7 days before accessing the land or water for purposes of the California State Safe Harbor Agreement Program Act. Increases the notice period to the landowner to at least 7 business days.	02/18/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 522 Fong (R)	Forest Fire Prevention Exemption		Extends the operation of the Forest Fire Prevention Exemption indefinitely. Deletes the requirement that the tree harvesting area not exceed 300 acres and the requirement that temporary road construction or reconstruction be limited to no more than 2 miles of road per ownership in a planning watershed per any 5-year period.	02/18/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 530 Fong (R)	Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act of 2004		Requires the aggrieved employee to inform the employer which specific violations of the Labor Code are being brought under each subdivision of the	02/18/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on

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			Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act and to inform the employer if statutory right to cure provisions apply.	LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT and JUDICIARY.
AB 554 Mathis (R)	Department of Fish and Wildlife		Establishes in the Department of Fish and Wildlife the Office of the Ombudsperson, administered through the ombudsperson, requires the Fish and Game Commission to appoint the Ombudsperson and would require the Office to operate independently of department staff and to report to the president of the commission, requires the office to undertake specified duties under the supervision of the president of the commission.	02/18/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 564 Gonzalez (D)	Biodiversity Protection and Restoration Act		Establishes the Biodiversity Protection and Restoration Act and provides that it is the policy of the state that all state agencies, boards, and commissions shall utilize their authorities in furtherance of the biodiversity conservation purposes and goals of certain executive orders.	02/18/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on ACCOUNTABILITY AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW and WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 566 Nguyen J (R)	Property Taxation: Revenue Allocations		Makes a nonsubstantive change to the requirement that the county auditor, in each fiscal year, allocate property tax revenues to local jurisdictions in accordance with specified formulas and procedures, and generally requires that each jurisdiction be allocated an amount equal to the total of the amount of revenue allocated to that jurisdiction in the prior fiscal year, subject to certain modifications.	02/11/2021 - INTRODUCED.
AB 571 Mayes (R)	Planning and Zoning: Density Bonuses: Housing		Relates to density bonuses for affordable housing. Prohibits affordable housing impact fees, including inclusionary zoning fees, in-lieu fees, and public benefit fees, from being imposed on a housing development's affordable units.	03/24/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.
AB 588 Garcia E (D)	Local Government		Makes a nonsubstantive change to the provision naming the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL

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AB 602 Grayson (D)	Development Fees: Impact Fee Nexus Study		Requires a city, county, or special district that conducts an impact fee nexus study to follow specific standards and practices.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
AB 620 Mullin (D)	Unified Online Environmental Permit Application		Expresses the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation creating a unified online environmental permit application and process for state agencies that simplify the submittal and tracking of environmental permits for permit applicants and state agencies, and supports interagency coordination.	02/12/2021 - INTRODUCED.
AB 621 Rivas R (D)	California Environmental Quality Act		Makes nonsubstantive changes to existing law which authorizes the preparation of a master environmental impact report (EIR) to evaluate project impacts, and expresses the intent of the Legislature that environmental review of subsequent projects be substantially reduced to the extent that project impacts have been reviewed and appropriate mitigation measures are set forth in a certified master EIR.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 622 Friedman (D)	Washing Machines: Microfiber Filtration		Requires, on or before January 1, 2024, that all washing machines sold as new in California contain a microfiber filtration system with a mesh size of 100 microns or smaller.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 642 Friedman (D)	Wildfires		Requires the Director of Forestry and Fire Protection to identify areas in the state as moderate and high fire hazard severity zones. Additionally requires the director classify areas into fire hazard severity zones based on additional factors including possible lightning caused ignition. Requires a local agency, within 30 days of receiving a transmittal from the director that identifies fire hazard severity zones, to make the information available for public comment.	03/24/2021 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

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AB 648 Fong (R)	CalRecycle Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Forest		Continuously appropriates, beginning in the 2021-22 fiscal year and ending in the 2028-29 fiscal year, \$200,000,000 of the annual proceeds from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for healthy forest and fire prevention programs and projects that improve forest health and reduce greenhouse gas emissions caused by uncontrolled wildfires, and prescribed fire and other fuel reduction projects through proven forestry practices.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 649 Bennett (D)	Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery		Establishes the Office of Environmental Justice and Tribal Relations within the department. Prescribes the duties of the office, including, among others, ensuring that the department's programs effectively address the needs of disadvantaged communities, low-income communities, California Native American tribes, and farmworkers.	03/11/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 654 Reyes (D)	COVID-19: Exposure: Notification		Requires the State Department of Public Health to make workplace and industry information received from local public health departments available on its internet website in a manner that, among other things, allows the public to track the number of COVID-19 cases and outbreaks by both workplace and industry.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 678 Grayson (D)	Land Use: Development Fees		Makes nonsubstantive changes to existing law requiring a local agency, in any action establishing, increasing, or imposing a mitigation fee, to determine how there is a reasonable relationship between the fee's use and the type of development on which the fee is imposed.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
AB 688 Nazarian (D)	Property Tax: Reassessment		Makes nonsubstantive changes to existing property tax law which authorizes a county board of supervisors to adopt ordinances that allow assessees whose property was damaged or destroyed to apply for a reassessment of that property if certain conditions are met.	02/16/2021 - INTRODUCED.
AB 692 Waldron (R)	Lake Wohlford Dam: Grant Funding: Liquidation		Make those funds that were appropriated to the Department of Water Resources by the Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006 and allocated to the City of Escondido for use on the Lake Wohlford Dam project available for liquidation until June 30, 2028.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 693 Chau (D)	Proposition 65: Enforcement		Requires, for all settlements generated by alleging a violation of or threatening to allege a violation of the Safe Drinking Water and Toxic	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second

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			Enforcement Act, the plaintiff or person acting in the public interest to submit those settlements to the court, and would additionally require the court, in order to approve the settlement, to find that neither the plaintiff nor the attorney representing the plaintiff has received any compensation from the alleged violator.	time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 697 Chau (D)	Forest Resources: National Forest Lands		Reorganizes the law relating to the Good Neighbor Authority Fund. Requires the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, under an agreement between the state and the federal government, to establish a program for purposes of conducting ecological restoration and fire resiliency projects on national forest lands, with priority given to forest restoration and fuels reduction projects that are landscape scale.	03/24/2021 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
AB 698 Env Safety & Toxic Material Cmt	Hazardous Waste: Small Quantity Generator		Replaces the terms conditionally exempt small quantity generator and CESQG with very small quantity generator and VSQG with reference to a different federal regulation that recasts those provisions regarding the amount of hazardous waste and which hazardous wastes are included in, or excluded from, that calculation.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 703 Rubio (D)	Open Meetings: Local Agencies: Teleconferences		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.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
AB 712 Calderon (D)	Local Agency Public Construction Act: Change Orders		Relates to the Local Agency Public Construction Act change orders. Authorizes the board of supervisors and the board of directors of a district, as applicable, at the time the board delegates authority under a contract, to implement appropriate measures to prevent fraud and ensure accountability for that delegated authority.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
AB 732 Quirk (D)	Toxic Substances Control: Account		Expresses the intent of the Legislature to also identify and remediate releases of hazardous substances throughout the state to protect human health and the environment and enable productive reuse of contaminated sites. Requires the Department of Toxic Substances Control to publish on its internet website, the list of hazardous substances release sites selected for, and subject to, a response action.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.

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AB 736 Mathis (R)	Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund: Internet		Relates to the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Law, which requires the State Water Resources Control Board, at least once every 2 years, to post information on its internet website and send a link of the internet website to the Legislature regarding implementation of the law and expenditures from the fund. Requires the board to post that information and send that link at least annually instead of at least once every 2 years.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 747 Mathis (R)	Water treatment Facility		Appropriates \$20,000,000 from the General Fund to the State Water Resources Control Board for the purpose of improving water treatment. Requires the board to grant a specified amount to a specified joint powers authority for a water treatment facility to be operated by the joint powers authority.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS and LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
AB 753 Grayson (D)	Barry Keene Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Trust Fund		Requires the Water Resources Control Board to convene a stakeholder group for purposes of conducting a study of the Barry Keene Underground Storage Tank Cleanup Trust Fund's existing eligibility criteria and possible alternative fund eligibility criteria that would further the expressed intent of the Legislature that all appropriate resources be directed to actions promoting the development of housing.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 754 Mathis (R)	Sustainable Groundwater Management		Extends the deadline for all high- or medium-priority basins not subject to critical conditions of overdraft to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated plans.	03/11/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 757 Davies (R)	Private Employment: COVID- 19: Positive Test		Authorizes a private employer to request prescribed documentation of a positive Coronavirus test or diagnosis if an employee reports that the employee has been diagnosed or tested positive for Coronavirus and is unable to work and the employer determines that an employee may be subject to a 14-day exclusion from the workplace as required under certain law or regulations.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 758	Marks-Roos Local Bond Pooling Act		Expands the definition of a publicly owned utility for these purposes to include certain utilities furnishing generation, transmission, or distribution of	03/11/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second

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Nazarian (D)			electrical service to retail customers and would authorize an authority to issue rate reduction bonds to finance or refinance utility projects for the provision of generation, transmission, or distribution of electrical service.	time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
AB 772 Ramos (D)	Workers' Compensation: Medical Treatment		Provides that if the Governor has declared a state of emergency in connection with an act of domestic terrorism, existing law requires an employer, as defined, to provide immediate support from a case nurse manager for employees injured by an act of domestic terrorism whose injuries arise in the course of employment. Makes technical, nonsubstantive changes to that provision.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on INSURANCE.
AB 794 Carrillo (D)	Air Pollution: Financial Incentive Programs		States the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to provide the requisite authority to the State Air Resources Board to promulgate rules designed to maximize economic benefits of its grant, loan, and incentive programs.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 800 Gabriel (D)	Safety Elements: Fire Hazard Severity Zones		Requires the director to also identify areas of the state as moderate and high fire hazard severity zones.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 802 Bloom (D)	Microfiber Pollution		Requires the State Water Resources Control Board to identify the best available control technology for filtering microfibers from an industrial, institutional, or commercial laundry facility on or before an unspecified date, and requires the state board to consult with owners and operators of laundry facilities on the types of filtration systems currently in use and with universities, scientific organizations, and experts on plastic pollution in identifying the best available control technology.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 805 Maienschein (D)	Personal Protective Equipment: Distribution Reports		Requires, during a health-related state of emergency in California proclaimed by the President of the United States or by the Governor, the Medical Health Operational Area Coordinator to report specified information relating to the distribution of personal protective equipment to the Office of Emergency Services on a weekly basis. Requires, at all other times, the MHOAC to report that information on a monthly basis.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

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AB 814 Levine (D)	Personal Information: Contact Tracing		Prohibits data collected, received, or prepared for purposes of contact tracing from being used, maintained, or disclosed for any purpose other than facilitating contact tracing efforts. Prohibits an officer, deputy, employee, or agent of a law enforcement agency from engaging in contact tracing. Requires all data collected, received, or prepared for purposes of contact tracing to be deleted within 60 days.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on PRIVACY AND CONSUMER PROTECTION and JUDICIARY.
AB 818 Bloom (D)	Solid Waste: Premoistened Nonwoven Disposable Wipes	SUPPORT	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.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS and JUDICIARY.
AB 819 Levine (D)	Environmental Quality Act: Notices and Documents		Requires the lead agency under CEQA to post notices to persons who have filed a written request for notices on its internet website. Requires a lead agency to submit to the State Clearinghouse, in electronic form, specified environmental review documents for all projects and requires the lead agency and project applicant to post those documents on their internet website.	03/24/2021 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES: Do pass as amended to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
AB 845 Rodriguez (D)	Disability Retirement: COVID- 19: Presumption		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.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT.
AB 846 Low (D)	Local Agency Public Construction Act		Changes the January 1, 2022, repeal date to January 1, 2027, thereby extending authorization for job order contracting for school districts and community college districts indefinitely. Requires an entity awarded a job order contract in excess of \$25,000 to provide an enforceable commitment to the school district or community college district that the entity and its subcontractors at every tier will use a skilled and trained workforce to perform all work on the job order contract.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on HIGHER EDUCATION.

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AB 850 Gallagher (R)	City Property: Sale of Water Utility Property		Extends the authorization of the City of El Monte, the City of Montebello, and the City of Willows to sell its public utility for furnishing water service for the purpose of consolidating the system with another public water system, as specified.	03/22/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 854 Lee (D)	Residential Real Property: Withdrawal Of Accommodations		Prohibits an owner of accommodations from filing a notice with a public entity of an intent to withdraw accommodations or prosecuting an action to recover possession of accommodations, or threatening to do so, if not all the owners of the accommodations have been owners of record for a specified amount of time, or with respect to property that the owner acquired within a specified amount of time after providing notice of an intent to withdraw accommodations at a different property.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.
AB 867 Kiley (R)	Family Care Leave: Child Deceased in Childbirth		Expands eligibility for benefits under the paid family leave program by expanding bonding leave relating to a child's birth to include leave for a parent who was pregnant with a child, if the child dies unexpectedly during childbirth at 37 weeks or more of pregnancy.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on INSURANCE.
AB 870 Santiago (D)	Hazardous Materials: Liens		Requires the Department of Toxic Substances Control, upon a determination of the scope of a necessary response or corrective action, to provide to the responsible parties an estimate of the costs to complete the response or corrective action. Establishes that the estimated costs constitute a claim and a lien upon the real property owned by a responsible party that is subject to, or affected by, the response or corrective action.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS and JUDICIARY.
AB 878 Dahle M (R)	Wildlife Resources: Natural Community Conservation Plan		Relates to Wildlife resources, natural community conservation plans and public review and comment. Expands the time for public review and comment on a proposed planning agreement from 21 calendar days to 21 business days.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 885 Quirk (D)	Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act: Teleconferencing		Requires a state body that elects to conduct a meeting or proceeding by teleconference to make the portion that is required to be open to the public both audibly and visually observable. Requires a state body that elects to conduct a meeting or proceeding by teleconference to post an agenda at the designated primary physical meeting location in the notice of the meeting	03/24/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION.

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			where members of the public may physically attend the meeting and participate.	
AB 890 Cervantes (D)	Public Employee Retirement Systems: Investment		Requires the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System and the Teachers' Retirement Board to provide reports to the Legislature on the status of achieving objectives and initiatives, to be defined by the boards, regarding participation of emerging managers or diverse managers responsible for asset management within each retirement system's portfolio of investments.	03/11/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT.
AB 893 Davies (R)	Emergency Regulations: Department of Public Health		Requires the Division of Occupational Safety and Health or the State Department of Public Health, within 14 calendar days of the release of a federal recommendation that conflicts with an emergency regulation related to Coronavirus 2019 issued by the division or the department, to review the conflicting emergency regulation and make a determination to either amend the regulation or submit a report to the Legislature on the decision not to amend the regulation, as specified.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ACCOUNTABILITY AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW.
AB 897 Mullin (D)	Office of Planning and Research: Regional Climate		Requires the Office of Planning and Research to provide technical assistance to eligible entities developing regional climate networks and plans. Requires, by July 1, 2022, the Office to make recommendations to certain policy committees of the Legislature on developing state support for the work of regional climate networks, as prescribed, and the potential sources of financial assistance and options for distributing state funds to support the creation and implementation of plans.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 906 Carrillo (D)	Zero-Emission Trucks: Tax and Fee Exemptions		Exempts from sales and use taxes, on and after January 1, 2022, the gross receipts from the sale in this state of, and the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of, fuel for the operation of a zero-emission medium- or heavy-duty truck that is the subject of a lease entered into after July 1, 2022, with specified characteristics.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on REVENUE AND TAXATION and TRANSPORTATION.
AB 908 Frazier (D)	Natural Resources Agency: Statewide Natural Resources		Requires the Natural Resources Agency, to the extent a specified appropriation is made, to prepare a comprehensive, statewide inventory of the natural resources of the state and establish treatment measures necessary to protect those resources, and to post its initial inventory on its internet website on or before January 1, 2023, with annual updates on or before January 1 of each year thereafter.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

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AB 909 Frazier (D)	Wildfire Risk Assessment Map		Requires the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, in consultation with the California Fire Science Consortium and the Department of Insurance to develop a fire risk assessment map for the state that quantifies the risks of wildfire for a parcel of land for a time span of 50 years. Requires the department to annually update the wildfire risk assessment map.	02/25/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 919	Construction Defects: Actions:		Shortens the timeframe in which an action may be brought, for underlying	02/25/2021 - To
Grayson (D)	Statute of Limitations		construction projects using a skilled and trained workforce, to no more than 5 years after substantial completion of the improvement but no later than the date the notice of completion is recorded.	ASSEMBLY Committee on JUDICIARY.
AB 926	Fire Prevention: Local		Expands the definition of fire prevention activities to include the removal of	03/08/2021 - In
Mathis (R)	Assistance Grant Program		hazardous dead trees, creation of fuel breaks and community defensible spaces, and creation of ingress and egress corridors. Requires the department to prioritize projects that have a completed, or nearly completed, environmental review document, as provided. Authorizes the department to consider and evaluate the wildfire risk within the proposed project area.	ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 930 Levine (D)	Subsurface Installations: Attorney's Fees and Costs		Requires a court or arbitrator to award reasonable attorney's costs and fees, including expert witness fees, to a prevailing excavator if the court or	03/24/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second
Levine (b)	Attorney 5 1 ces and costs		arbitrator determines that the excavator is not liable for damages to a	time and amended. Re-
			subsurface installation for reasons related to inaccurate field marking, as specified, or if the excavator makes an offer to settle the matter that is not accepted and the plaintiff fails to obtain a more favorable judgment or award.	referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
AB 943	Global Warming Solutions Act:		Requires state agencies administering competitive grant programs that	03/11/2021 - In
Garcia E (D)	Greenhouse Gas Reduction		allocate moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to give specified communities preferential points during grant application scoring for programs intended to improve air quality, to include a specified application timeline, and to allow applicants from the Counties of Imperial and San Diego to include daytime population numbers in grant applications.	ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 953	Environmental Quality:		Requires the Department of Fish and Wildlife to separately track and	03/17/2021 - In
Kiley (R)	Department of Fish and Wildlife		account for all revenues collected under the above filing fee provision and all	ASSEMBLY. Read second
			costs incurred in its role as a responsible agency or trustee agency under the California Environmental Quality Act.	time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on

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AB 954 Petrie-Norris (D)	Ocean Use Planning		Makes a nonsubstantive change to existing law which requires the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to initiate a comprehensive, long-range planning process for the use of ocean waters offshore of California, and authorizes the secretary, among other things, to use a specified advisory panel as the planning committee.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
AB 956 Flora (R)	Wildfire Mitigation Plans: Fire Retardants		Expressly authorizes a wildfire mitigation plan to include the use of fire- retardant chemicals approved by the State Fire Marshal on a planned basis for wildfire mitigation and risk management.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY.
AB 968 Frazier (D)	Wildfire Resilience: Community Certification		Requires the Natural Resources Agency to research, and provide a report to the Legislature with recommendations for, ways in which a community that undertakes science-supported wildfire resilience actions can be recognized with a peer-reviewed, community-level certification in order to acknowledge and motivate wildfire resilience activity, as provided.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 969 Frazier (D)	Natural Resources Agency: Wildfire Technology Support:		Requires the Natural Resources Agency to provide a basic level of technological support to community organizations for wildfire risk reduction and resiliency, including technology for data, geospatial mapping, and data management, as well as software and limited technical support, and requires the Natural Resources Agency to structure this wildfire technology support in the same way that technology support is provided for similar services for wildfire-program building, outreach, and planning.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 972 Berman (D)	Elections: Deceptive Audio or Visual Media		Extends the repeal date of provisions relative to deceptive audio or visual media use in elections through a specified date.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ELECTIONS.
<u>AB 975</u> Rivas (D)	Political Reform Act of 1974		Relates to the Political Reform Act of 1974. Allows a gift of admission to an invitation-only event to be returned, reimbursed, or donated within 30 days of the calendar quarter in which it was received, and would make other changes prescribing conditions for the donation, return, or reimbursement.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ELECTIONS.

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AB 976 Rivas (D)	Resilient Economies and Community Health Pilot Program		Establishes the Resilient Economies and Community Health Pilot Program, which would be administered by the council from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2026, as a grant pilot program for eligible community-based organizations to provide a comprehensive suite of coordinated incentives and services to disadvantaged communities at the resident household level to provide economic savings, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution, and improve resiliency to the impacts of climate control.	03/24/2021 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
AB 981 Frazier (D)	Forestry: California Fire Safe Council		Establishes the California Fire Safe Council in the Natural Resources Agency consisting of 11 members. Requires the council to identify programs administered by public agencies to address and minimize the risks of wildfire and to coordinate the implementation of those programs, to identify public and private programs that may be leveraged to facilitate structure-hardening and community resilience to minimize the impacts of wildfire to habitable structures.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 983 Garcia E (D)	Public Contracts: Construction Projects: Community Work		Authorizes a public entity to use, enter into, or require contractors to enter into, a community workforce agreement for specified construction projects, including projects related to renewable energy and installation of emission controls in refineries.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 992 Cooley (D)	Hybrid/Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive		Requires the state board to ensure that a person or entity that purchases a hybrid or zero-emission truck or bus for purposes of placing that vehicle on a peer-to-peer truck sharing platform for use by various operators is eligible for financial assistance under the Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project established as a part of the Air Quality Improvement Program.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION.
AB 995 Gonzalez (D)	Paid Sick Days: Accrual and Use		Modifies the employers alternate sick leave accrual method to require that an employee have no less than 40 hours of accrued sick leave or paid time off by the 200th calendar day of employment or each calendar year, or in each 12-month period.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 1001 Garcia (D)	Environmental Permitting and Air Pollution		Requires the state Environmental Protection Agency to publish, maintain, and update a list of overburdened communities in relation to pollution.  Requires a permitting agency to take certain actions for an application for a new environmental permit, as defined, or the renewal of an environmental permit for a facility located in an overburdened community. Requires air	03/15/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

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			districts to adopt an expedited schedule for the implementation of best available control technology.	
AB 1005 Muratsuchi (D)	Scientific Review Panel on Toxic Air Contaminants		Relates to existing law that creates and establishes a 9-member Scientific Review Panel on Toxic Air Contaminants to advise the State Air Resources Board and the Department of Pesticide Regulation in their evaluation of the health effects toxicity of toxic air contaminants and pesticides and prescribes the manner in which the members shall be appointed. Makes nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.	02/18/2021 - INTRODUCED.
AB 1013 Lackey (R)	State Mandates: Claims		Relates to State mandates of a new program or higher level of service on any local government, including school districts. Requires the state to provide a subvention of funds to reimburse the local government, unless an exception applies. Provides that statutory provisions that establish procedures for making that reimbursement include a requirement that no claim shall be made or paid unless it exceeds \$1,000. Changes the minimum claim amount to \$900.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
AB 1017 Quirk-Silva (D)	Public Restrooms: Right to Restrooms Act of 2021		Requires local governments to do an inventory of public restrooms that are available to the homeless population to use during the coronavirus state of emergency, as defined. Requires local governments to report their findings to the Office of Emergency Services, which would be required to compile the information in a report to the Legislature, as provided. Provides that this bill would be repealed by its own provisions on a specified date.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
AB 1023 Flora (R)	Contractors and Subcontractors: Records: Penalties		Requires a contractor or subcontractor to furnish payroll records to the Labor Commissioner no later than their final day of work performed on the project. Makes a contractor or subcontractor who fails to furnish those records in the manner specified liable for a penalty of a specific amount per day, as specified, not to exceed a specific amount per project, to be deposited into the State Public Works Enforcement Fund.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 1027 Seyarto (R)	Solid and Organic Waste		Expresses the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to provide relief from those solid waste recycling, composting, and source reduction requirements and organic waste recycling requirements, for no more than one year, to cities and municipalities struggling due to the impacts of COVID-19.	02/18/2021 - INTRODUCED.

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AB 1028 Seyarto (R)	Telework Flexibility Act		Concerns the Telework Flexibility Act. Authorizes any nonexempt employee working from home who is not under the physical control of the employer to choose when to take any meal or rest period during the workday, if the employer has not already scheduled a meal or rest period within the requirements of the law. Requires an employer to notify the employee of this right one time, when the employee begins working from home.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT and JUDICIARY.
AB 1030 Chen (R)	Professional Land Surveyors' Act and Engineers Act		Relates to the Professional Land Surveyors' Act and Professional Engineers Act. Includes within the practices that subject a person to those acts, with regard to the practice of identifying the location, alignment, or elevation for any of the fixed works embraced within the practice of civil engineering, laying out the reference points or lines through the use of mathematical or physical measurements. Expands the practice of land surveying and civil engineering, as specified.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS.
AB 1037 Grayson (D)	Infrastructure Construction: Digital Construction		Requires an infrastructure project that receives any state funding to deploy digital construction technologies, as defined, to reduce waste, inefficiency, rework, cost overruns, and embodied carbon, and to improve delivery times and project quality.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on JOBS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE ECONOMY.
AB 1041 Wicks (D)	Leave Issues		Expands the population that an employee can take leave to care for to include any other individual related by blood or whose close association with the employee is the equivalent of a family relationship.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT and INSURANCE.
AB 1042 Jones- Sawyer (D)	Occupational Safety/Health: Investigation & Inspection		Provides that the California Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1973, requires the Chief of the Division of Occupational Safety and Health within the Department of Industrial Relations and qualified and authorized division inspectors and investigators to have free access to any place of employment to make an investigation or inspection for the protection of safety and health, as prescribed. make nonsubstantive changes to these investigation and inspection provisions.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on HEALTH.
AB 1056 Grayson (D)	Infrastructure Financing: Industrialized Housing		Requires the Department of Housing and Community Development and the Economic Development Bank to develop a proposed program to invest in the building of offsite industrialized housing to support the policy goal of	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-

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			increasing the state's capacity to quickly respond to additional housing needs precipitated by homelessness, wildfires, COVID-19, or other emergency situations.	referred to Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.
AB 1058 Garcia (D)	Water Corporations: Bill Payment Pilot Program		Extends the Water Corporations Bill Payment Pilot Program the pilot program until January 1, 2027. Repeals the provision that limits the duration of a pilot program to the duration of the water corporations rate case cycle.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY.
AB 1066 Bloom (D)	Freshwater Bathing Sites: Water Quality Monitoring		Requires the State water Resources Control Board, in consultation with the Department of Public Health, to establish, by regulation, a definition of a monitored freshwater bathing site that includes freshwater bodies that have a high frequency of use by the general public, identify all monitored freshwater bathing sites in the state.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 1074 Gonzalez (D)	Employment: Rehiring and Retention: Displaced Workers		Requires an employer to offer its laid-off employees specified information about job positions that become available for which the laid-off employees are qualified, and to offer positions to those laid-off employees based on a preference system, in accordance with specified timelines and procedures. Prohibits an employer from refusing to employ, terminating, reducing compensation, or taking other adverse action against any person for seeking to enforce their rights under these provisions.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 1086 Aguiar- Curry (D)	Organic Waste: Implementation Strategy		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.	03/24/2021 - From ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES: Do pass as amended to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
AB 1092 Mayes (R)	Public Employees' Retirement: Health Benefits		Precludes a person who has retired under PERS and who obtains work with a subsequent employer from receiving any health benefits offered under PEMHCA if the person's subsequent employer offers health care coverage that provides reasonably comparable benefits.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT.

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AB 1099 Rivas R (D)	State Funding: Environmental Equity		States the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to provide new approaches and considerations for directing investments and allocating funds, as well as increasing accountability for how those funds are expended to achieve key objectives. States the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation that incorporates, to the extent practicable, specified principles of environmental equity into the administration of all environmental and natural resources state funding.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1110 Rivas R (D)	Zero-Emission Vehicles; Clean Fleet Program		Establishes the California Clean Fleet Accelerator Program, administered by the Department of General Services. Requires the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, in consultation with specified state agencies and regional and local entities, to develop a nonmandatory master service agreement to solicit bids from eligible vendors for standardized, bulk purchase options for the acquisition of zero-emission fleet vehicles by a public agency.	03/23/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on JOBS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE ECONOMY.
AB 1119 Wicks (D)	Employment Discrimination		Relates to the California Fair Employment and Housing Act (FEHA), which protects the right to seek, obtain, and hold employment without discrimination because of prescribed characteristics. Expands the protected characteristics to include family responsibilities, defined to mean the obligations of an employee to provide direct and ongoing care for a minor child or a care recipient. Defines additional terms for this purpose.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT and JUDICIARY.
AB 1122 Garcia (D)	Employment Discrimination		Provides that, under Fair Employment and Housing Act, it is not a violation of the rights of any individual who is not chosen for an employer to hire or promote a member of a protected group, if the employer determines that the individual hired or promoted is qualified for the job and the individual hired or promoted is a member of a protected group that is underrepresented in the type of job in question in the relevant general workforce.	03/11/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 1135 Grayson (D)	Accessory Dwelling Units		Makes nonsubstantive changes to existing law which provides for the creation by local ordinance, or by ministerial approval if a local agency has not adopted an ordinance, of accessory dwelling units to allow single-family or multifamily dwelling residential use in accordance with specified standards and conditions, and prohibits a local agency from using or imposing any additional standards, including, until January 1, 2025, on owner-occupant requirements.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

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AB 1141 Frazier (D)	Wildfires: Wildland Urban Interface Fire Research		Requires the Natural Resources Agency to develop and fund, upon an appropriation by the Legislature, a Wildland-Urban Interface Fire Research Center that addresses the wildland-urban interface fire problem and the need for wildfire prevention, detection, and mitigation planning, building, and response, and related economic, insurance, and modeling practices in the state.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1142 Frazier (D)	Fire Prevention: Detection and Response		Requires the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to develop and implement a program to predict and respond to wildfire ignition events and to provide for the sharing of information regarding wildfire events and coordination of activities among local, state, and federal agencies in response to wildfires.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1161 Garcia E (D)	Electricity: Eligible Renewable Energy: State Agencies		Enacts the Clean Economy and Clean Jobs Stimulus Act of 2021 and would require the Department of Water Resources to procure newly developed eligible renewable energy resources or zero-carbon resources, and energy storage associated with those resources, in an amount that satisfies 100 percent electricity procured to serve all state agencies by specified date.	03/22/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY.
AB 1164 Flora (R)	Dams and Reservoirs: Exclusions		Specifies that the exclusion from being considered a dam for a barrier that is not across a stream channel, watercourse, or natural drainage area and that has the principal purpose of impounding water for agricultural use applies only to a barrier owned or operated by a private entity. Provides that the structure is no greater than 20 feet in height, as measured from the lowest adjacent native ground elevation to the maximum achievable water surface impounded by the structure.	03/22/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 1175 Aguiar- Curry (D)	Division Of Occupational Safety and Health: Inspections		Revises advance warning provisions to prohibit any representative of the Division Of Occupational Safety and Health from giving advance notice of an inspection or investigation to an employer or other person unless authorized under OSHA. Authorizes the chief or their authorized representatives to permit advance notice of an inspection or investigation when advance notice is necessary to ensure availability of essential personnel or access to the site, equipment, or process, as prescribed by the director.	03/11/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 1179 Carrillo (D)	Employer Provided Benefit: Backup Childcare		Requires an employer to provide an employee who works in California for the same employer for 30 or more days within a year from the	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on

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			commencement of employment, with up to 60 hours of paid backup childcare benefits, to be accrued and used as provided. Defines backup childcare as childcare provided by a qualified backup childcare provider to the employee's child when the employee's regular childcare provider cannot be utilized.	LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 1180 Mathis (R)	Local Governments: Surplus Land: Tribes		Relates to existing law which defines exempt surplus land for which a local agency is not required to follow the requirements for disposal of surplus land, except as provided. Adds to the definition of exempt surplus land, land transferred by a local agency to a tribe.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
AB 1188 Wicks (D)	Rental Registry Online Portal		Requires cities and counties to create and administer a rental registry online portal, which would be designed to receive specified information from landlords, including state and local governmental agencies that own or operate public housing, that own or operate 5 or more rental dwelling units regarding their residential tenancies and to disseminate this information to the general public.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT and JUDICIARY.
AB 1195 Garcia (D)	Southern Los Angeles County Regional Water Agency		Creates the Southern Los Angeles County Regional Water Agency as a regional water agency serving the drinking water needs of the cities, unincorporated areas, and residents in the communities overlying the Central Basin and West Coast Basin aquifers in southern Los Angeles County. Requires the agency to serve the region as the leader in interagency collaboration on water resource issues.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on LOCAL GOVERNMENT and ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 1205 Frazier (D)	State Air Resources Board: Elections		Requires a certain composition of the Air Resources Board.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1218 McCarty (D)	Motor Vehicle Greenhouse Gas Emissions Standards		Declares that, to help achieve the state's climate and air quality goals and mandates, it is the goal of the state that 100% of new passenger and light-duty vehicle sales are zero-emission vehicles by 2035. Requires, on and after January 1, 2023, total passenger vehicles and light-duty vehicles sold by a manufacturer in the state in a calendar year to meet specified greenhouse gas emissions standards pursuant to a tiered plan.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on TRANSPORTATION.

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AB 1232 McCarty (D)	Construction Documents		Relates to existing law that requires a contract for construction to contain specified information regarding the names, addresses, and places of business of various parties to the contract. Makes a nonsubstantive change to this provision.	02/19/2021 - INTRODUCED.
AB 1239 Ting (D)	State Energy Resources Conservation Commission		Renames the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission as the Energy Commission. Prohibits existing supplies, forms, insignias, signs, logos, uniforms, or emblems from being destroyed or changed as a result of changing the name of the commission, and would require their continued use until exhausted or unserviceable.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY.
AB 1250 Calderon (D)	Water and Sewer System Corporations		Authorizes a water or sewer system corporation to file an application and obtain approval from the Public Utilities Commission through an order authorizing the water or sewer system corporation to consolidate with a public water system or state small water system. Requires the commission to approve or deny the application within 8 months, except as provided.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS and UTILITIES AND ENERGY.
AB 1255 Bloom (D)	Fire prevention: Department of Forestry		Relates to fire prevention. Concerns Department of Forestry and Fire Protection. Concerns grant programs. Requires the department, in coordination with the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency, to facilitate regional, habitat specific, and area specific approaches to fire risk reduction, prevention, and restoration of projects that improve community safety, protect sites and structures, restore burned habitat, reduce catastrophic wildfires, and protect natural resources.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1256 Quirk (D)	Employment Discrimination: Cannabis Screening Test		Prohibits an employer from discriminating against a person in hiring, termination, or any term or condition of employment because a drug screening test has found the person to have tetrahydrocannabinol in their urine. Exempts from its provisions an employer that is required to conduct testing for tetrahydrocannabinol by federal law or regulations, or that would lose a monetary or licensing-related benefit for failing to conduct testing for tetrahydrocannabinol.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT and JUDICIARY.
AB 1261 Burke (D)	State Air Resources Board: Greenhouse Gas Emissions		Requires the State Air Resources Board to establish specified processes to assist the state in achieving its greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals, including a process to identify any overlap among its incentive programs that	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re-

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			share the same objectives and a process to define, collect, and evaluate data on the behavioral changes that result from each of its incentive programs.	referred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1270 Rivas (D)	Gas Plants: Methane Monitoring Systems and Reporting		Requires an owner or operator of a natural gas plant, as defined, to develop, install, operate, and maintain, in accordance with guidance developed by the appropriate air district, a fence-line monitoring system, as defined, to measure and record methane concentrations at or adjacent to a natural gas plant.	03/18/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1271 Ting (D)	Surplus Land		Provides that certain surplus land provisions do not preclude a local agency that purchases surplus land from a disposing agency from reconveying the surplus land to a nonprofit or for-profit housing developer for development of low- and moderate-income housing as authorized under other provisions of law.	03/11/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
AB 1291 Frazier (D)	State Bodies: Open Meetings		Requires a state body, when it limits time for public comment, to provide at least twice the allotted time to a member of the public who utilizes translating technology to address the state body.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION.
AB 1295 Muratsuchi (D)	Residential Development Agreements: Fire Risk Areas		Prohibits the legislative body of a city or county from entering into a residential development agreement for property located in a very high fire risk area. Defines very high fire risk area for these purposes to mean a very high fire hazard severity zone designated by a local agency or a fire hazard severity zone classified by the director.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on LOCAL GOVERNMENT and HOUSING and COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.
AB 1296 Kamlager (D)	South Coast Air Quality Management District		Increases the number of members of the South Coast Air Quality Management District board to 15 members by adding 2 environmental justice appointees, one appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules and one appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1313 Bigelow (R)	COVID-19: Immunity from Civil Liability		Exempts a business from liability for an injury or illness to a person due to coronavirus based on a claim that the person contracted coronavirus while at that business, or due to the actions of that business, if the business has substantially complied with all applicable state and local health laws, regulations, and protocols.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on JUDICIARY.

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AB 1325 Burke (D)	Clean Community Microgrid Incentive Program		Requires the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to develop and implement a Clean Community Microgrid Incentive Program by 2022 to fund community microgrids that support the critical needs of vulnerable communities that utilize distributed energy resources for the generation of electricity. Establishes the budget for the program in an unspecified amount to be dispersed in successive phases to local public agencies for community microgrid development.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on UTILITIES AND ENERGY.
AB 1332 Flora (R)	Local Government Ordinances		Relates to existing law that authorizes any local agency to enact any ordinance that adopts a code by reference if the referenced code is specified in the title of the ordinance. Makes nonsubstantive changes in the provision which prohibits the adoption by reference of any penalty clauses that may appear in any code that is adopted by reference.	02/19/2021 - INTRODUCED.
AB 1354 Grayson (D)	Public Employees' Retirement		Makes nonsubstantive changes to provisions prohibiting a retired person from being employed by a public employer in the same public retirement system from which the retiree receives pension benefits without reinstatement from retirement into that system, subject to certain exceptions.	02/19/2021 - INTRODUCED.
AB 1367 Low (D)	Political Reform Act: Committee and Campaign Funds		Imposes requirements on noncandidate committees that qualify as a committee under the act by receiving certain contributions. Authorizes a committee to redact the account number on a copy of a statement of organization filed with a local filing officer, and would require the Secretary of State to redact the account number on a statement of organization filed with the Secretary of State before making the statement available to the public.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on ELECTIONS.
AB 1376 Gray (D)	Water Quality: State Certification		Requires the State Water Resources Control board to make a water quality certification available on its website for a public comment and review period.	03/04/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 1384 Gabriel (D)	Resiliency Through Adaptation, Economic Vitality		Requires the Strategic Growth Council to develop and coordinate a strategic resiliency framework that makes recommendations and identifies actions that are necessary to prepare the state for the most significant climate change impacts modeled for certain years. Requires agencies identified in the	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

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			framework to coordinate with regional entities and engage vulnerable communities who have been impacted by climate change.	
AB 1391 Chau (D)	Compromised Data		Makes it unlawful for a person to sell, purchase, or utilize data, as defined, that the person knows or reasonably should know is compromised data. Defines the term compromised data to mean data that has been obtained or accessed pursuant to the commission of a crime.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on PRIVACY AND CONSUMER PROTECTION.
AB 1395 Muratsuchi (D)	Greenhouse Gases: Carbon Neutrality		Declares the policy of the state to achieve carbon neutrality as soon as possible, but no later than 2045, and to achieve and maintain net negative greenhouse gas emissions thereafter. Requires the State Air Resources Board to develop a framework for implementation and accounting that tracks progress toward achieving carbon neutrality.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1399 Flora (R)	Diversion or Use of Water: Penalties		Makes nonsubstantive changes to provisions that state that the diversion or use of water other than as authorized by specified provisions of law is a trespass, subject to specified civil liability.	02/19/2021 - INTRODUCED.
AB 1400 Kalra (D)	Guaranteed Health Care for All		Creates the Guaranteed Health Care for All Program, or CalCare, to provide comprehensive universal single-payer health care coverage and a health care cost control system for the benefit of all residents of the state. Provides that CalCare cover a wide range of medical benefits and other services and would incorporate the health care benefits and standards of other existing federal and state provisions. Creates the CalCare Board to govern CalCare, made up of 9 voting members.	02/19/2021 - INTRODUCED.
AB 1403 Levine (D)	Emergency Services		Relates to emergency services. Includes a deenergization, defined as a planned public safety power shutoff, as specified, within those conditions constituting a state of emergency and a local emergency.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.
AB 1409 Levine (D)	Planning And Zoning: General Plan: Safety Element		Requires the safety element of a general plan for the physical development of a county or city to be reviewed and updated to identify evacuation locations.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on LOCAL GOVERNMENT and EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

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AB 1411 Cunningham (R)	Agriculture: Greenhouse Gas Mitigation: Healthy Soils		Makes a nonsubstantive change to the Cannella Environmental Farming Act of 1995, which requires the Department of Food and Agriculture, in consultation with the Scientific Advisory Panel on Environmental Farming, to establish and oversee a Healthy Soils Program to seek to optimize climate benefits while supporting the economic viability of California agriculture by providing incentives to farmers whose management practices contribute to healthy soils.	02/19/2021 - INTRODUCED.
AB 1428 Quirk (D)	Safe Drinking Water Act: Applicability		Removes the provision authorizing water districts that provide primarily agricultural services to certify that they are providing alternative water for residential or similar uses to achieve the equivalent level of public health protection provided by the applicable primary drinking water regulations.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL SAFETY AND TOXIC MATERIALS.
AB 1431 Frazier (D)	Forestry: Forest Carbon Plan: State Goals		Establishes state goals for fuel treatment and vegetation management, as specified. Requires the Natural Resources Agency and the California Environmental Protection Agency, on or before January 1, 2023, to submit a report to the appropriate policy and budget committees of the Legislature on the positions and resources needed to achieve those state goals.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1434 Friedman (D)	Urban Water Use Objectives: Indoor Residential	OPPOSE	Establishes, beginning January 1, 2023, until January 1, 2025, the standard for indoor residential water use as 48 gallons per capita daily. Establishes, beginning January 1, 2025, the standard as 44 gallons per capita daily and, beginning January 1, 2030, 40 gallons per capita daily. Eliminates the requirement that the Department of Water Resources conduct necessary studies and investigations and recommend to the Legislature a standard for indoor residential water use.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 1436 Chau (D)	Information Practices Act Of 1977		Revises the findings under the Information Practices Act of 1977, including by finding that the increasing use of computers, software, and other sophisticated information technology has greatly magnified the potential risk to individual privacy that can occur from the maintenance of personal information.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on PRIVACY AND CONSUMER PROTECTION.
AB 1442 Ting (D)	Accessory Dwelling Units		Makes nonsubstantive change to existing law which provides for the creation by local ordinance, or by ministerial approval if a local agency has not adopted an ordinance, of accessory dwelling units to allow single-family or	02/19/2021 - INTRODUCED.

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			multifamily dwelling residential use in accordance with specified standards and conditions.	
AB 1453 Muratsuchi (D)	Environmental Justice: Just Transition Commission		Establishes the Just Transition Advisory Commission, consisting of specified members, in the Labor and Workforce Development Agency and would require the commission, though a public process, to develop and adopt, on or before January 1, 2024, the Just Transition Plan that contains recommendations to transition the state's economy to a climate-resilient and low-carbon economy.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT and NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1458 Frazier (D)	Fish and Wildlife Protection and Conservation		Exempts from the prohibition against lake and streambed alterations vegetation management or fuels treatment projects undertaken, carried out, or approved by a state or local governmental agency necessary to prevent or mitigate the threat or intensity of a wildfire.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on WATER, PARKS AND WILDLIFE.
AB 1488 Cervantes (D)	Emergency Services: Local Government		Requires the emergency plan to also address how the access and functional needs population is served by emergency evacuation of medical equipment. require a county, or city and county regarding the integration of access and functional needs into that emergency plan, to work with Mutual Aid and Administrative Regions, the Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA), and the State Department of Public Health to coordinate the interregional agreements for acquisition of medical equipment.	03/22/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.
AB 1490 Chau (D)	California Privacy Rights Act of 2020: Agency		Requires the members of the board which governs the California Privacy Protection Agency to have qualification, experience, and skills in consumer rights.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on PRIVACY AND CONSUMER PROTECTION.
AB 1493 Rubio (D)	Tenancy: Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault		Makes nonsubstantive changes to existing law which prohibits a landlord from terminating or failing to renew a tenancy based upon an act against a tenant or a member of a tenant's household that constitute domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking, or elder or dependent adult abuse, if certain standards are met.	02/19/2021 - INTRODUCED.
AB 1500 Garcia E (D)	Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention	SUPPORT IF AMENDED	Enacts the Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparation, Flood Protection, Extreme Heat Mitigation, and Workforce Development Bond Act of 2022, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committees on WATER, PARKS AND

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			issuance of bonds in the amount of \$6,700,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for safe drinking water, wildfire prevention, drought preparation, flood protection, extreme heat mitigation, and workforce development programs.	WILDLIFE and NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1506 Kalra (D)	Prevailing Wage: Locality		Relates to the prevailing wage of workers employed on public works.  Eliminates a distinction in the definition of locality in which public work is performed and instead defines the term in all cases as meaning the county in which the public work is done.	03/11/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT.
AB 1519 Gallagher (R)	Forestry: Fuels Transportation Program: Biomass Energy		Requires the Natural Resources Agency to develop and implement a fuels transportation program that provides competitive grants or other financial incentives for projects in eligible communities to offset the costs of transporting fuels to a biomass energy facility.	03/11/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Re- referred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1523 Gallagher (R)	Greenhouse Gases		Revises the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 by designating the State Air Resources Board with the responsibility of regulating vehicular sources of emissions of greenhouse gases and each district with the responsibility of regulating all sources, other than vehicular sources, of emissions of greenhouse gases within its jurisdiction.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1524 O'Donnell (D)	Political Reform Act of 1974: Conflicts of Interest		States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to clarify what constitutes a conflict of interest for public officials under the Political Reform Act of 1974.	03/25/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time and amended. Rereferred to Committee on ELECTIONS.
AB 1528 Santiago (D)	Wages: Final Payments		Makes nonsubstantive changes to these provisions related to regulation of the terms and conditions of employment and, specifically, the payment of wages.	02/19/2021 - INTRODUCED.
AB 1567 Emergency Management Cmt	Emergency Services: Catastrophic Plans: Recovery		Requires the Office of Emergency Services and the governing bodies of political subdivisions, in developing recovery frameworks, to incorporate lessons learned from recent major disasters, including the coronavirus pandemic. Requires the frameworks to be consistent with guidance from the	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

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			Federal Emergency Management Agency and to address, at a minimum, specified recovery support functions, including economic recovery, health and social services, and infrastructure systems.	
AB 1570 Natural Resources Cmt	Public Resources: Omnibus Bill		Requires the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to assist local governments in preventing future high-intensity wildland fires and instituting appropriate fuels management by making its wildland fire prevention and vegetation management expertise available to local governments to the extent possible within the department's budgetary limitations. Explicitly defines, for these purposes, local governments to include cities, counties, and special districts.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
AB 1581 Local Government Cmt	Local Government: Omnibus		Requires a local agency formation commission to adopt, amend, or revise spheres of influence after a public hearing called and held for the purposes of developing the sphere of influence of each city and each special district within the county and enact policies designed to promote the logical and orderly development of areas within each sphere.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on LOCAL GOVERNMENT.
ACA 1 Aguiar- Curry (D)	Local Government Financing: Affordable Housing		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.	12/07/2020 - INTRODUCED.
ACR 17 Voepel (R)	Special Districts Week	SUPPORT	Proclaims the week of May 16, 2021, to May 22, 2021, to be Special Districts Week.	02/12/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on RULES.
ACR 33 Friedman (D)	Wildfire Mitigation		States the Legislature's commitment to improving wildfire outcomes in the State of California by investing in science-based wildfire mitigation strategies that will benefit the health of California forests and communities. States that the Legislature calls upon public and private stakeholders to work jointly to identify, discuss, and refine, as necessary, procedures concerning treatment of forested lands for the purpose of, among other things, wildfire risk mitigation.	03/11/2021 - To ASSEMBLY Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.

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SB 1 Atkins (D)	Coastal Resources: Sea Level Rise		Includes, as part of the procedures the commission is required to adopt, recommendations and guidelines for the identification, assessment, minimization, and mitigation of sea level rise within each local coastal program, as provided. Deletes the timeframe specified above by which the commission is required to adopt these procedures. Requires the commission to take into account the effects of sea level rise in coastal resource planning and management policies and activities, as provided.	03/23/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.
SB 3 Caballero (D)	Tenancy: COVID-19		Extends the covered time period and transition time period for purposes of the COVID-19 Tenant Relief Act of 2020 to a specified date.	01/28/2021 - To SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY.
SB 12 McGuire (D)	Local Government Planning and Zoning: Wildfires		Requires the safety element, upon the next revision of the housing element or the hazard mitigation plan, on or after a certain date, whichever occurs first, to be reviewed and updated as necessary to include a comprehensive retrofit strategy to reduce the risk of property loss and damage during wildfires, and would require the planning agency to submit the adopted strategy to the Office of Planning and Research for inclusion into the clearinghouse for climate adaptation.	03/25/2021 - From SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE: Do pass to Committee on HOUSING.
<u>SB 13</u> Dodd (D)	Local Agency Services: Contracts: Napa, San Bernardino		Imposes a deadline for the Napa and San Bernardino commissions to report to the Legislature on the pilot program, authorize a city or district to provide new or extended services outside its jurisdictional boundary, and would require the contents of that report to include how many requests for extension of services were received under these provisions.	01/28/2021 - To SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.
SB 27 Skinner (D)	Carbon Sequestration: State Goals: Natural Working Land		Requires the Natural Resources Agency in coordination with the California Environmental Protection Agency, the State Air Resources Board, and the Department of Food and Agriculture, to establish carbon sequestration goals for natural and working lands. Requires the state board, as part of its scoping plan, to establish specified carbon dioxide removal targets for 2030 and beyond.	03/15/2021 - From SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY: Do pass to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER.
SB 36 Skinner (D)	Energy Efficiency		Makes nonsubstantive changes to existing law which authorizes the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to prescribe, by regulation, energy efficiency standards, including appliance efficiency standards.	01/28/2021 - To SENATE Committee on RULES.

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SB 37 Cortese (D)	Hazardous Waste Site Cleanup and Safety Act		Enacts the Hazardous Waste Site Cleanup and Safety Act. Requires the Department of Toxic Substances Control to list hazardous waste facilities where the department issued an order for corrective action after determining that there is or has been a release of hazardous waste or constituents into the environment from a facility. Requires the Water Resources Control Board to compile a list of public drinking water wells that contain contaminants.	03/11/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.
SB 45 Portantino (D)	Wildfire Prevention, Safe Drinking Water Bond Act	SUPPORT IF AMENDED	Enacts the Wildfire Prevention, Safe Drinking Water, Drought Preparation, and Flood Protection Bond Act of 2022, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in a specified amount pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for a wildfire prevention, safe drinking water, drought preparation, and flood protection program.	03/16/2021 - From SENATE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER: Do pass to Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.
<u>SB 46</u> Stern (D)	American Rescue Plan Act Funds		Requires, to the extent authorized by federal law, a state agency that receives and disburses American Rescue Plan funds or other federal recovery funds to consider projects' potential impact on specified goals, including, among other things, restoring frontline communities and rapidly accelerating achievement of environmental justice and climate goals, including, but not limited to, climate, environmental, and biodiversity protection and stimulating growth.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committees on GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION and LABOR, PUB. EMPLOY. & RETIREMENT and ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.
SB 51 Durazo (D)	Surplus Residential Property		Provides that certain surplus land disposal procedures apply if a local agency has issued a competitive request for proposals that seeks development proposals seeking development proposals for the property that includes a certain residential component.	03/22/2021 - In ASSEMBLY. Read second time. To third reading.
<u>SB 52</u> Dodd (D)	State of Emergency: Power Outages		Expands the definition of sudden and severe energy shortage to include a deenergization event, defined as a planned power outage, as specified, and would make a deenergization event one of those conditions constituting a state of emergency and a local emergency.	03/23/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.
<u>SB 55</u> Stern (D)	Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone: Development	SEEK AMENDMENTS	Prohibits the creation or approval of a new development, as defined, in a very high fire hazard severity zone or a state responsibility area.	03/03/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committees on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE and HOUSING.

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SB 63 Stern (D)	Fire Prevention: Vegetation Management: Education		Requires the Director of Forestry and Fire Protection to identify areas of the state as moderate and high fire hazard severity zones and requires a local agency to make this information available for public review and comment. Requires the director to establish a statewide program to allow qualified entities to support and augment the department in its defensible space and home hardening assessment and education efforts.	03/16/2021 - From SENATE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER: Do pass to Committee on HOUSING.
SB 67 Becker (D)	Clean Energy: 24/7 Clean Energy Standard Program		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.	03/11/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS.
SB 68 Becker (D)	Building Decarbonization		Requires the Energy Commission to develop and publish on its website a guide for electrification of buildings and submit to the Legislature a report on barriers to electrifying existing buildings and to adding energy storage or vehicle charging equipment to existing buildings. Authorizes the award of moneys under the Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) program for certain projects. Requires the PUC to establish certain timeframes. Requires certain reports. Requires the PUC to assess certain penalties.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committees on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS and JUDICIARY.
<u>SB 72</u> Rubio (D)	Property Insurance: Wildfire Risk		Requires the Insurance Commissioner to transmit to the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency a report that makes geographic recommendations for vegetation management projects based on the commissioner's analysis of specified information, including nonrenewal data on policies of residential property insurance, and to post that report on the Department of Insurance's internet website.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on INSURANCE.
SB 76 Nielsen (R)	Excluded Employees: Binding Arbitration		Enacts the Excluded Employee Arbitration Act to permit an employee organization that represents an excluded employee who has filed certain grievances with the Department of Human Resources to request binding arbitration of the grievance if specified conditions are met. Requires the designation of a standing panel of arbitrators and, under specified circumstances, the provision of arbitrators from the California State Mediation and Conciliation Service within the Public Employment Relations Board.	03/22/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on LABOR, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT.

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SB 77 Nielsen (R)	Elections: Ballots		Makes a technical, nonsubstantive change to provisions of existing law providing that, on election day, a voter who does not vote the ballot the voter has received shall, before leaving the polling place, return it to the precinct board member having charge of the ballots, who shall immediately cancel it.	01/28/2021 - To SENATE Committee on RULES.
SB 83 Allen (D)	California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank		Creates the Sea Level Rise Revolving Loan Program within the I-Bank to provide low-interest loans to local jurisdictions for the purchase of coastal properties in their jurisdictions identified as vulnerable coastal property. Requires the California Coastal Commission in consultation with the State Lands Commission, and any other applicable state, federal, and local entities, as specified to determine criteria and guidelines for the identification of eligible vulnerable coastal properties.	03/16/2021 - From SENATE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER: Do pass to Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.
SB 91 Budget and Fiscal Review Cmt	COVID-19 Relief: Tenancy: Federal Rental Assistance		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.	01/29/2021 - Signed by GOVERNOR.;01/29/2021 - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 2021-002
SB 95 Skinner (D)	COVID-19: Supplemental Paid Sick Leave		Provides for COVID-19 supplemental paid sick leave for covered employees, as defined, who are unable to work or telework due to certain reasons related to COVID-19, including that the employee has been advised by a health care provider to self-quarantine due to concerns related to COVID-19.	03/19/2021 - Signed by GOVERNOR.;03/19/2021 - Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 2021- 0013
<u>SB 99</u> Dodd (D)	Community Energy Resilience Act of 2021		Requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to develop and implement a grant program for local governments to develop community energy resilience plans. Sets forth guiding principles for plan development, including equitable access to reliable energy and integration with other existing local planning documents.	01/28/2021 - To SENATE Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS.
<u>SB 109</u> Dodd (D)	Office of Wildfire Technology Research and Development		Establishes the Office of Wildfire Technology Research and Development within the Office of Emergency Services under the direct control of the Director of the Office of Emergency Services. Makes the office responsible for studying, testing, and advising regarding procurement of emerging	03/22/2021 - In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense File.

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			technologies and tools in order to more effectively prevent and suppress wildfires, and serving as the central organizing hub for the state government's identification of emerging wildfire technologies.	
<u>SB 209</u> Dahle (R)	State of Emergency: Termination After 45 Days:		Requires a state of emergency to terminate 45 days after the Governor's proclamation of the state of emergency unless the Legislature extends it by a concurrent resolution.	03/04/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION.
SB 219 McGuire (D)	Property Tax: Delinquent Penalty Cost: Health Orders		Authorizes the auditor or the tax collector to cancel any penalty, costs, or other charges resulting from tax delinquency upon a finding that failure to make a timely payment is due to a documented hardship, as determined by the tax collector, arising from a shelter-in-place order, as defined, if the principal payment for the proper amount of tax due is paid no later than June 30 of the fiscal year in which the payment first became delinquent.	03/25/2021 - In SENATE. Read third time, urgency clause adopted. Passed SENATE. ****To ASSEMBLY.
<u>SB 222</u> Dodd (D)	Water Affordability Assistance Program	OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED	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.	02/08/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committees on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS and ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.
<u>SB 223</u> Dodd (D)	Discontinuation of Residential Water Service	OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED	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.	01/28/2021 - In SENATE. Rescinds referral to Committee on JUDICIARY due to limitations concerning COVID-19 virus.
SB 230 Portantino (D)	State Water Resources Control Board: Constituents		Requires the State Water Resources Control Board to establish, maintain, and direct an ongoing, dedicated program called the Constituents of Emerging Concern Program to assess the state of information and recommend areas for further study on, among other things, the occurrence of Constituents of Emerging Concern in drinking water sources and treated drinking water.	03/22/2021 - In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: Not heard.

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SB 239 Banking and Financial Institutions Cmt	Government Finance Surplus Investments		Requires bonds or interest bearing notes that are eligible for investment of surplus state funds to be on obligations that are issued by or fully guaranteed as to principal and interest by a federal agency of the United States or a United States government sponsored enterprise, as defined by specified federal law.	03/25/2021 - In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY.
SB 270 Durazo (D)	Public Employment: Labor Relations: Employee Data		Authorizes an exclusive representative to file a charge of an unfair labor practice with the Public Employment Relations Board, as specified, alleging a violation of the specified requirements only if specified conditions are met, including that the exclusive representative gives written notice of the alleged violation and that the public employer fails to cure the violation, as specified.	02/22/2021 - In SENATE. Article IV. Section 8(a) of the Constitution dispensed with.;02/22/2021 - In SENATE. Joint Rule 55 suspended.
SB 273 Hertzberg (D)	Water Quality: Municipal Wastewater Agencies		Authorizes a municipal wastewater agency to enter into agreements with entities responsible for stormwater management for the purpose of managing stormwater and dry weather runoff, to acquire, construct, expand, operate, maintain, and provide facilities for specified purposes relating to managing stormwater and dry weather runoff, and to levy taxes, fees, and charges consistent with the municipal wastewater agency's existing authority in order to fund projects undertaken pursuant to the bill.	03/11/2021 - From SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE: Do pass to Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.
SB 274 Wieckowski (D)	Local Government Meetings: Agenda and Documents		Requires a local agency with an internet website, or its designee, to email a copy of, or website link to, the agenda or a copy of all the documents constituting the agenda packet if the person requests that the items be delivered by email. Requires the legislative body or its designee to send by mail a copy of the agenda or a website link to the agenda and to mail a copy of all other documents constituting the agenda packet, if specified criteria or circumstances are met.	03/25/2021 - From SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE: Do pass as amended to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
<u>SB 278</u> Leyva (D)	PERS: Disallowed Compensation: Benefit Adjustments		Establishes new procedures under Public Employees' Retirement Law for cases in which Public Employees' Retirement System determines that the benefits of a member or annuitant are, or would be, based on disallowed compensation that conflicts with State Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 and other specified laws and thus impermissible under Public Employees' Retirement Law.	03/23/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on JUDICIARY.
SB 282 Dahle (R)	State Water Resources Control Board		Makes a nonsubstantive change in provisions establishing the State Water Resources Control Board.	02/22/2021 - In SENATE. Joint Rule 55 suspended.

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<u>SB 286</u> Min (D)	Elections: County Officers: Consolidation		Relates to existing Law that requires a candidate for a nonpartisan office who at a primary election receives votes on a majority of all the ballots cast for candidates for that office to be elected to that office. Exempts from that requirement candidates for county nonpartisan offices, including a county office in a charter county, but not including a charter city and county.	02/22/2021 - In SENATE. Joint Rule 55 suspended.
<u>SB 294</u> Leyva (D)	Public Retirement: Leave of Absence: Service Credit		Removes the 12-year limitation for service credit earned on an employer-approved compensated leave under the Public Employees Retirement Law and Teachers Retirement Law.	03/23/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.
SB 295 Dahle (R)	District Elections		Makes a technical, nonsubstantive change to provisions of existing law concerning the Uniform District Election Law and terms of elected members.	02/22/2021 - In SENATE. Joint Rule 55 suspended.
SB 297 Durazo (D)	Subsurface Installations: Penalties		Enacts the Wade Kilpatrick Gas Safety and Workforce Adequacy Act of 2021. Prescribes a civil penalty to be imposed on an operator or excavator, as described above, who knowingly and willfully violates provisions relating excavations and subsurface installations and subsequently damages a gas or hazardous liquid pipeline subsurface installation and the damage results in the escape of any flammable, toxic, or corrosive gas or liquid.	03/25/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
<u>SB 305</u> Jones (R)	Political Reform Act of 1974: Electronic Filing		Imposes the online and electronic filing system with respect to specified committees, slate mailer organizations, lobbyists, and other persons. Eliminates the requirement that individual lobbyists, lobbying firms, lobbying coalitions, and lobbyist employers, as defined, file their registration statements, any amendments, or notices of termination, in physical form with the Secretary of State.	03/22/2021 - In SENATE Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense File.
SB 312 Nielsen (R)	Renewables Portfolio Standard Program		States that it is the policy of the state and the intent of the Legislature to promote biomass facilities and biomass funding.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS.
SB 318 Melendez (R)	Land Use: Development Fee or Charge: Auditor Standards		Requires that under the Mitigation Fee Act, an independent auditor be a certified public accountant, or a firm of certified public accountants, concerning an audit to determine whether a fee or charge is reasonable.	02/22/2021 - To SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.

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SB 319 Melendez (R)	Land Use: Development Fees: Audit		Requires an audit, to determine whether a fee or charge levied by a local agency exceeds the amount reasonably necessary to cover the cost of any product, public facility, or service provided by the local agency, to include each consecutive year the local agency did not comply with the disclosure requirement.	02/22/2021 - To SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.
SB 323 Caballero (D)	Local Government: Water or Sewer Service: Legal Actions	SUPPORT	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.	03/25/2021 - From SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE: Do pass to Committee on JUDICIARY.
SB 335 Cortese (D)	Workers' Compensation: Liability		Reduces the time periods after the date the claim form is filed with an employer in which the injury is presumed compensable and the presumption is rebuttable only by evidence discovered subsequent to the time period for certain injuries or illnesses, including hernia, heart trouble, pneumonia, or tuberculosis, among others, sustained in the course of employment of a specified member of law enforcement or a specified first responder.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on LABOR, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT.
SB 336 Ochoa Bogh (R)	Public Health: COVID-19		Requires that before the State Department of Public Health or a local health official takes measures to prevent the spread of COVID-19, they publish the measures for 72 hours on their internet website and contact local organizations, communities, and nonprofits. Authorizes waiving those requirements if there is an immediate danger to the public.	03/15/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on HEALTH.
SB 342 Gonzalez (D)	South Coast Air Quality Management District		Adds members to the South Coast Air Quality Management District board, appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the Assembly. Requires the additional members to reside in and work directly with communities in the South Coast Air Basin that are disproportionately burdened by and vulnerable to high levels of pollution and issues of environmental justice.	03/18/2021 - Additionally referred to SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.
<u>SB 345</u> Becker (D)	Energy Programs and Projects: Nonenergy Benefits		Requires the commission to begin the process, by a specified date, to establish common definitions of nonenergy benefits and attempt to determine consistent values and methodologies for use in assigning priority access to authorized funds by distributed energy resource programs. Requires the commission to prioritize the use of authorized funding to	03/23/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.

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			support distributed energy resource programs and projects that provide the greatest nonenergy benefits, particularly for disadvantaged communities.	
SB 351 Caballero (D)	Water Innovation Act of 2021		Enacts the Water Innovation Act of 2021. Creates the Office of Water Innovation at the California Water Commission for the furtherance of new technologies and other innovative approaches in the water sector. Requires the office to take specified measures to advance innovation in the water sector.	02/22/2021 - To SENATE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER.
<u>SB 369</u> Pan (D)	Flood Control: Yolo Bypass Cache Slough Partnership		Establishes the Yolo Bypass Cache Slough Partnership Multibenefit Program to support the development and implementation of projects within the Yolo Bypass and Cache Slough region. Defines Yolo Bypass Cache Slough Partnership to mean the multiagency partnership established pursuant to a memorandum of understanding signed in May 2016 by a total of 15 participating federal, state, and local agencies.	03/25/2021 - In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. *****To ASSEMBLY.
<u>SB 372</u> Leyva (D)	Medium- and Heavy-Duty Fleet Purchasing Program		Establishes the California Pollution Control Financing Authority. Authorizes the authority to approve financing for projects or pollution control facilities to prevent or reduce environmental pollution. requires the California Pollution Control Financing Authority to establish a program to make financing tools and nonfinancial supports available to the operators of medium- and heavy-duty vehicle fleets to enable those operators to transition their fleets to zero-emission vehicles.	03/18/2021 - In SENATE. Rescinds referral to Committee on JUDICIARY due to limitations concerning COVID-19 virus.
SB 396 Dahle (R)	Forestry: Internal Combustion Engines: Fire Toolbox		Requires a dedicated set of tools to be located within the operating area on or near any forest, brush, or grass-covered land and accessible in the event of a fire, which fire toolbox shall contain a sufficient number of fire extinguishers, axes, 2 McLeod fire tools, and shovels so that, when added to any other tools on the industrial operation, each employee at the operation can be equipped to fight fire.	02/25/2021 - To SENATE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER.
SB 403 Gonzalez (D)	Drinking Water: Consolidation		Authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board to also order consolidation where a water system serving a disadvantaged community is at risk of failing to provide an adequate supply of safe drinking water or where a disadvantaged community is substantially reliant on domestic wells that are at risk of failing to provide an adequate supply of safe drinking water.	03/15/2021 - From SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY: Do pass to Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.

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SB 410 Leyva (D)	Department of Industrial Relations		Exempts any occupational safety and health standard and order from the standardized regulatory impact analysis requirement.	03/11/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on LABOR, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT.
SB 411	Public Employees' Retirement		Eliminates the requirement that a person employed without reinstatement in	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to
Cortese (D)	System		a manner other than authorized by PERL be reinstated, instead providing that reinstatement is permissive. Makes conforming changes and makes specific reference to the duties of employees and employers regarding reinstatement after retirement in violation of PEPRA.	SENATE Committee on LABOR, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT.
SB 412	Environmental Quality Act:		Expands the definition of emergency provided in the Environmental Quality	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to
Ochoa Bogh (R)	Emergency Definition		Act to include proactive efforts by a state or local agency to prevent, minimize, or mitigate loss of, or damage to, life, health, property, natural resources, or essential public services, resulting from fire, flood, or earthquake or other soil or geologic movements, in areas of the state that a lead agency determines, based on substantial evidence, are at a heightened risk of the occurrence of those events.	SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.
SB 426	Municipal Separate Storm		Requires the State Water Resources Control Board to establish financial	03/22/2021 - In SENATE
Rubio (D)	Sewer Systems		capability assessment guidelines for municipal separate storm sewer system permittees that are adequate and consistent when considering the costs to local jurisdictions. Requires the state board and the regional boards to continue using available regulatory tools and other approaches to foster collaboration with permittees to implement permit requirements in light of the costs of implementation.	Committee on APPROPRIATIONS: To Suspense File.
SB 427	Water Theft: Enhanced Penalties	SUPPORT	Authorizes the legislative body of a city or a county to make, by ordinance,	03/25/2021 - In SENATE.
Eggman (D)		IF AMENDED	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.	Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.
SB 440	Earthquake and Wildfire Loss		Requires the Wildfire Fund Administrator, the Office of Emergency	02/25/2021 - To SENATE
Dodd (D)	Mitigation		Services, and the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety to create the	Committees on

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			California Wildfire Residential Loss Mitigation Program as a joint powers authority. Requires that program to provide mitigation against wildfire risk, including a grant program to assist qualifying owners to retrofit their structures to protect against wildfire or to create a defensible space around their structures.	INSURANCE and ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS and GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION.
SB 443 Newman (D)	Elections: Redistricting		Makes the criteria for the district boundaries of for the members of the governing body of a county board of education, school district, community college district, special district, city, or county, consistent with the criteria for Senate, Assembly, Congress, and State Board of Equalization districts established under the Constitution.	02/25/2021 - To SENATE Committee on ELECTIONS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.
SB 448 Melendez (R)	Emergency Services Act: Emergency Powers: Limitation		Enacts the Emergency Power Limitation Act. Requires an emergency order, as defined, to be narrowly tailored to serve a compelling public health or safety purpose and limited in duration, applicability, and scope. Authorizes any person to bring an action to invalidate or enjoin enforcement of an emergency order that is allegedly unlawful.	02/25/2021 - To SENATE Committees on GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION and JUDICIARY.
<u>SB 449</u> Stern (D)	Climate-Related Financial Risk		Requires a bank, corporation, credit union, finance lender, insurer, investment advisor, real estate investment trust, and mortgage lender, as those terms are defined, to, before January 1, 2023, and annually thereafter, prepare a climate-related financial risk report, as defined, and to submit to the department, and make available to the public on its own internet website, a copy of that report.	02/25/2021 - To SENATE Committees on BANKING AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS and ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.
SB 456 Laird (D)	Fire Prevention: Long-term Forest Management Plan		Requires the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to establish a long-term forest management plan. Requires the plan to include the use of various programs, including fuels reduction and prescribed fire. Requires the office to prepare a report and provide it to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee on the status of the long-term management plan, as provided.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER.
SB 457 Portantino (D)	Public Employee Retirement Systems: Investments		Requires the boards of administration of the Public Employees Retirement System and the State Teachers Retirement System to provide employers that are school districts and cities that participate in the systems an option to elect an investment portfolio that does not contain investment vehicles that are issued or owned by the government of the Republic of Turkey.	02/25/2021 - To SENATE Committee on LABOR, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT.

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SB 459 Allen (D)	Political Reform Act of 1974: Lobbying		Requires lobbyists, lobbying firms, and lobbyist employers to include information in the periodic reports that identifies each bill or administrative action subject to lobbying activity, and the respective position advocated for, during that period.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on ELECTIONS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.
SB 463 Dahle (R)	Water: Landowner Right To Modify, Repair, Or Replace		Authorizes a landowner to, where a conduit is constructed across or buried beneath the lands of 2 or more landowners, modify, repair, or replace, as defined, the conduit on or beneath their land if the modification, repair, or replacement is made in a manner that does not impede the flow of the water to any other property receiving a benefit of the conduit or, otherwise injure any person using or interested in the conduit.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER.
<u>SB 471</u> Hueso (D)	The Racial and Economic Equity Bond Act of 2021		Enacts the Racial and Economic Equity Bond Act, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of an unspecified amount of bonds, pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committees on BUSINESS, PROFESSIONS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.
<u>SB 479</u> Laird (D)	Local Government Renewable Energy Self-Generation		Expands the local government renewable energy self-generation program definition of benefiting account to include accounts meeting specified requirements located within the geographical boundaries of a California Native American tribe.	03/23/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
SB 484 Archuleta (D)	Home Inspections: Sewer Lateral Repairs		Declares that specified provisions of home inspection do not affect the ability of a plumbing contractor who holds a specified license to perform repairs pursuant to the inspection of a sewer lateral pipe connecting a residence or business to a sewer system if the consumer is provided a specified disclosure before authorizing the home inspection.	03/23/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time. To third reading.
SB 495 Dahle (R)	Global Warming Solutions Act: Greenhouse Gas Reduction		Require the State Air Resources Board to include greenhouse gas emissions from wildlands and forest fires in the greenhouse gas emissions scoping plan. Authorizes the board to include the use of certain mechanisms. Appropriates a certain percentage of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to	03/18/2021 - Additionally referred to SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.

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			counties. Provides requirements for allocation of funds. Requires allocation plans to be posted on county websites. Requires an audit of each county.	
<u>SB 496</u> Laird (D)	Water Development Projects: Pajaro River		Authorizes the State to provide certain funds to the Counties of Monterey and Santa Cruz, or to local agencies in those counties, for the project for flood control on the Pajaro River in such counties. Authorizes the state to provide up to a certain percentage of the specified nonfederal costs for these purposes. Makes legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Counties of Monterey and Santa Cruz.	03/05/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER.
SB 501 Wieckowski (D)	Claims Against Public Entities		Requires a public entity review board to grant an application for leave to present a claim against a public entity if the person who sustained the alleged injury, damage, or loss was a minor or was physically or mentally incapacitated during any of the 6 months after the accrual of the cause of action, if the application is presented within 6 months of the person turning 18 years of age, or of the person no longer being physically or mentally incapacitated, or a year after the claim accrues.	03/25/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
SB 505 Hertzberg (D)	Wages: Withholdings: Written Authorization		Requires an employer, absent fraud, misrepresentation, or theft, to make a good faith effort to consult with an employee to obtain a written authorization to resolve a monetary obligation before utilizing third-party collection services or commencing a civil action. Requires an employer, absent fraud, misrepresentation, or theft, to make a good faith effort to consult with an employee to obtain a written authorization to resolve a monetary obligation before utilizing third-party collection services.	02/25/2021 - To SENATE Committees on LABOR, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT and JUDICIARY.
<u>SB 506</u> Jones (R)	California Environmental Quality Act: Greenhouse Gas		Prohibits the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection from requiring applicants for a grant or other funds made available to the department from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to consider the greenhouse gas emissions impacts of vegetation management projects pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as a condition of applying for or receiving a grant or other funds from moneys made available to the department from the fund.	02/25/2021 - To SENATE Committees on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER and ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.
<u>SB 520</u> Wilk (R)	Water Resources: Permit to Appropriate: Applications		Requires the State Water Resources Control Board, if the board has not rendered a final determination on an application for a permit to appropriate water within 30 years from the date the application was filed, to issue a new	03/17/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to

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			notice and provide an opportunity for protests before rendering a final determination, with specified exceptions.	Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
SB 526 Min (D)	Community Water Systems: Lead User Service Lines		Requires community water system to remove or replace the full lead user service line, if the community water system disturbs, removes, or replaces a portion thereof. Applies specified enforcement provisions to a violation of the requirements of the bill, thereby creating a state-mandated local program by expanding the scope of crimes under the California Safe Drinking Water Act.	02/25/2021 - To SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.
SB 527 Melendez (R)	Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: High-Speed Rail		Eliminates the continuous appropriation of 25% of the annual proceeds of Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to the High-Speed Rail Authority on a specified date. Transfers 25% of the annual proceeds of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to the Salton Sea Restoration Fund.	02/25/2021 - To SENATE Committees on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY and TRANSPORTATION and NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER.
SB 531 Wieckowski (D)	Consumer Debt		Prohibits a creditor from selling a consumer debt, as defined, or assigning to a third party the right to collect payments on a consumer debt unless the creditor has provided a notice to the debtor at least 30 days before selling the debt that contains certain information, including the dollar amount of the outstanding debt.	03/24/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on BANKING AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.
<u>SB 533</u> Stern (D)	Electrical Corporations: Wildfire Mitigation Plans		Requires an electrical corporation to ensure its electrical transmission and distribution system achieves the highest level of safety, reliability, and resiliency by modernizing, upgrading, including by installing one or more microgrids, replacing, hardening, or undergrounding, any portion of its transmission and distribution wires or poles that experiences a specified number of recurring deenergization events, as defined.	03/05/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS.
<u>SB 542</u> Limon (D)	Zero-Emission Vehicles: Fees		States the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to create parity between zero-emission trucks and their internal-combustion engine equivalents with regard to Department of Motor Vehicle fees and sales taxes paid by owners of Zero-emission vehicles.	03/25/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on TRANSPORTATION.

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<u>SB 551</u> Stern (D)	California Electric Vehicle Authority		Establishes the California Electric Vehicle Authority within the Governors office. Requires the authority to coordinate activities among state agencies to advance electric vehicle and zero-emission charging infrastructure deployment as well as ensure related equity, workforce development, economic development, and other needs are addressed, as specified.	03/25/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION.
SB 552 Hertzberg (D)	Drought Planning: Small Water Suppliers: Water Systems	SUPPORT	Requires small water suppliers, as defined, and nontransient noncommunity water systems that are schools, no later than a specified date, to develop and submit to the Division of Drinking Water for the state board an Emergency Response Plan that includes specified drought-planning elements.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committees on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER and GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.
SB 559 Hurtado (D)	Department of Water Resources: Water Conveyance Systems		Establishes the Canal Conveyance Capacity Restoration Fund in the State Treasury to be administered by the Department of Water Resources.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER.
<u>SB 582</u> Stern (D)	Climate Emergency Mitigation, Safe Restoration		Requires the Air Resources Board to ensure that statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least an unspecified percentage below the 1990 level by a specified date, and a specified percent below the statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit no later than a specified date.	03/18/2021 - Additionally referred to SENATE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER.
SB 592 Dahle (R)	Catastrophic Wildfires		Requires the Director of Fish and Wildlife to establish a working group, composed of the director or the director's representative, the Director of Forestry and Fire Protection or their representative, and a county government representative from each county impacted by any catastrophic wildfire being studied by the workgroup.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER.
<u>SB 594</u> Glazer (D)	Elections: Local Redistricting		Requires counties, general law cities, and charter cities that elect members of their legislative bodies using district-based elections to adopt boundaries for those supervisorial or council districts following each federal decennial census, as specified.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committees on ELECTIONS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS and GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.

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SB 600 Borgeas (R)	Administrative Procedure Act		Makes a nonsubstantive change to provisions relative to the Administrative Procedure Act.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committee on RULES.
SB 606 Gonzalez (D)	Workplace Safety: Citations: Employer Retaliation		Requires the Division of Occupational Safety and Health to issue a citation to an egregious employer, as defined, for each willful violation concerning employer retaliations for reporting a workplace safety incident and each employee exposed to that violation would be required to be considered a separate violation for purposes of the issuance of fines and penalties, as provided.	03/25/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on JUDICIARY.
SB 618 Borgeas (R)	Fire prevention Activities: Local Assistance Grant		Makes nonsubstantive changes to the definition of fire prevention activities.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committee on RULES.
SB 626 Dodd (D)	Construction Manager/General Contractor Procurement		Authorizes the Department of Water Resources to utilize the Construction Manager/General Contractor Procurement method, as specified, for projects for the construction of a facility or infrastructure related to water resources.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER.
SB 634 Labor, Public Employment & Retirement Cmt	Public Employees' Retirement		Prohibits a member of the State Teachers' Retirement System (STRS) from purchasing service credit for any school year if the purchase would result in more than one year of service for that school year.	03/22/2021 - From SENATE Committee on LABOR, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT: Do pass to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS.
SB 649 Cortese (D)	Local Governments: Affordable Housing: Local Tenant		Establishes a state policy supporting local tenant preferences for lower income households, as defined, that are subject to displacement risk, and, further, permits local governments and developers in receipt of local or state funds, federal or state tax credits, or an allocation of tax-exempt private activity bonds designated for affordable rental housing to restrict occupancy by creating a local housing preference for lower income households subject to displacement risk.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committees on HOUSING and JUDICIARY.
<u>SB 656</u> Eggman (D)	Stockton-East Water District: Water Rates and Budget		Defines groundwater assessment for purposes of the Water Conservation District Law of 1931 establishing the Stockton-East Water District to mean groundwater assessment or charge. Specifies the rates the district was authorized to impose in the 2020 calendar year under existing law, and would prohibit the rates for stream-delivered water and for domestic and	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.

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			agricultural groundwater assessments or charges for the 2022 calendar year and thereafter from exceeding the 2020 rates.	
SB 657 Ochoa Bogh (R)	Employment: Electronic Documents		Authorizes an employee working from home to receive legally required notices and postings electronically and sign or acknowledge certain documents electronically.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committees on LABOR, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT and JUDICIARY.
SB 660 Newman (D)	Initiative, Referendum, and Recall Petitions		Prohibits person from paying money or providing any other thing of value based on the number of signatures obtained on a state or local initiative, referendum, or recall petition.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committees on ELECTIONS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS and JUDICIARY.
SB 669 Borgeas (R)	California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program		Makes a nonsubstantive revision to a definition applicable to existing law, wherein the Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations, while local publicly owned electric utilities are under the direction of their governing boards.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committee on RULES.
<u>SB 674</u> Durazo (D)	Public Contracts: Workforce Development		Requires relevant public agencies to develop a program, known as the State Jobs Plan Program, to meet specified objectives, including, as a component of applications for covered public contracts, creation of a form that states the minimum numbers of proposed jobs that are projected to be retained and created if the applicant wins the covered public contract, and proposed wages, benefits, and investment in training.	03/22/2021 - From SENATE Committee on LABOR, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT: Do pass to Committee on TRANSPORTATION.
SB 676 Bates (R)	Forcible Entry, Forcible Detainer, or Unlawful Detainer		Relates to an action for forcible entry, forcible detainer, or unlawful detainer. Authorizes a defendant to file a motion to strike on or before the day fixed for the defendants appearance. Authorizes a party to file a motion for summary adjudication in the same manner as a motion for summary judgment.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY.
SB 683 Ochoa Bogh (R)	Water Quality: Regional Storm Sewer System Permits		Requires, to the extent permitted by federal law, a regional board that issues a municipal separate storm sewer system permit pursuant to the NPDES permit program to a region rather than to an individual discharger to include specified elements in the permit and to meet and collaborate with the permittees before or during the permit writing process.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY.

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SB 695 Ochoa Bogh (R)	Mitigation Fee Act: Housing Developments		Prohibits a local agency from imposing a housing impact requirement adopted by the local agency on a housing development project unless specified requirements are satisfied by the local agency. prohibit a housing impact requirement from exceeding the amount necessary to maintain the existing level of service identified in a nexus study for the type of capital facility for which the housing impact requirement is imposed.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.
SB 696 Allen (D)	Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts		Requires that if any participating affected taxing entity is a city that has an elective mayor, that one of the members representing the legislative body of that participating entity on the public financing authority be the mayor.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committees on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE and JUDICIARY.
SB 698 Grove (R)	Water Rights		Makes nonsubstantive changes to existing law that declares the right to water is limited to that water that is reasonably required for the beneficial use to be served, and does not extend to the waste or unreasonable use, unreasonable method of use, or unreasonable method of diversion of water.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committee on RULES.
<u>SB 719</u> Min (D)	Exempt Surplus Land: Eligible Military Base Land		Deems certain land comprising of the Tustin Marine Corps Air Station to be exempt surplus land if specified requirements are met. Requires the exempt surplus land to require the residential units on the land to comply with specified affordability requirements, as specified.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.
<u>SB 727</u> Leyva (D)	Labor-related Liabilities: Direct Contractor		Requires, for certain contracts a direct contractor to also be liable for any contributions, deductions, and withholdings that a subcontractor was required to forward to the State of California on account of the performance of the labor and be liable for any relief the Labor Commissioner could seek against the subcontractor for the subcontractor's failure to obtain and maintain valid workers' compensation coverage as provided.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committees on LABOR, PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT AND RETIREMENT and JUDICIARY.
<u>SB 733</u> Hueso (D)	Energy Storage: Pumped Storage Hydroelectric Facilities		Requires the Public Utilities Commission to open a proceeding to determine appropriate targets, if any, for each load-serving entity, defined as including electrical corporations, community choice aggregators, and electric service providers, to procure viable and cost-effective energy storage systems to be achieved by December 31, 2015, and December 31, 2020.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committee on ENERGY, UTILITIES AND COMMUNICATIONS.
SB 734 Hueso (D)	Redevelopment Agencies: Passthrough Agreements		Authorizes a successor agency and one or more taxing agencies to enter into an agreement to modify the interest owed by a former redevelopment agency	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on

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			under a passthrough agreement that was entered into before a specified date or owed under any successive amendment of that passthrough agreement, and which is owed as interest on passthrough payments agreed to be deferred by the taxing entity under the passthrough agreement, subject to specified terms and conditions.	GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.
SB 746 Skinner (D)	Consumer Privacy Act of 2018: Personal Information		Grants a consumer the right to request that a business disclose to the consumer whether or not the business uses personal information collected about the consumer for a political purpose. Requires a business that collects and uses such information to disclose specified information upon receipt of a request from the consumer. Requires a business with gross revenue exceeding a certain amount that does not engage in such activities to submit a certain statement to the State Privacy Protection Agency.	03/25/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on JUDICIARY.
SB 751 Gonzalez (D)	Environmental Justice		States the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to promote environmental justice by ensuring that disadvantaged communities, often low-income communities of color, do not continue to be overburdened with unfair shares of pollution.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committee on RULES.
<u>SB 752</u> Allen (D)	Elections: Disclosure of Contributors		Requires an initiative, referendum, or recall petition to instruct voters to sign the petition only after viewing certain disclosures regarding the top contributors to the initiative, referendum, or recall, as specified, and would require a signer to certify that the signer saw the disclosures.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on ELECTIONS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.
SB 776 Gonzalez (D)	Safe Drinking Water and Water Quality		Expands the application of the Safe Drinking Water Act to small state water systems.	03/18/2021 - In SENATE. Rescinds referral to Committee on PUBLIC SAFETY due to limitations concerning COVID-19 virus.
SB 780 Cortese (D)	Local Finance: Public Investment Authorities		Authorizes the legislative body of a city or county to divide the district into multiple project areas, and require the resolution to form the district to state any project area proposed within the district. Authorizes the legislative bodies to appoint designees to the community revitalization and investment authority.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committees on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE and HOUSING.

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<u>SB 794</u> Glazer (D)	Elections: Secretary of State		Requires the Secretary of State to summon the candidates subject to the tie vote to the Secretary of States office.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committee on ELECTIONS AND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.
SB 807 Wieckowski (D)	Civil Rights: Department Of Fair Employment and Housing		Tolls the deadline for the Department of Fair Employment and Housing to file a civil action pursuant to the Fair Employment and Housing Act while a mandatory or voluntary dispute resolution is pending.	03/18/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY.
SB 813 Governance and Finance Cmt	Controller: Local Government Financial Reports		Specifies that local government financial reports shall be furnished at the time prescribed by the Controller and would revise the amount of time in which the report is required to be furnished to either 7 months or within the time prescribed by the Controller, whichever is later.	03/03/2021 - To SENATE Committee on GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE.
SB 821 Nat Resour & Water Cmt	Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: Delta Independent Science		Requires the Delta Independent Science Board to exercise its scientific judgment and perform its functions independently from the Delta Stewardship Council.	03/18/2021 - To SENATE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES AND WATER.
SB 826 Bus, Prof and Econ Dev Cmt	Business and Professions		Prohibits a city, county, special district, joint powers authority, or other local agency from rejecting the filing of specified documents on the ground that the plans, specifications, or other instruments of service were prepared by, signed, dated, and sealed or stamped by a licensed landscape architect. Permits a contractor who holds a C-22 Asbestos Abatement classification to engage in asbestos-related work.	03/23/2021 - In SENATE. Joint Rule 55 suspended.
SCA 1 Hertzberg (D)	Elections: Referenda		Requires that the ballot for a referendum measure provide that a Yes vote is in favor of the referendum and rejects the statute or part of the statute subject to the referendum, and a No vote is against the referendum and approves the statute or part of the statute subject to the referendum, thus requiring a majority vote in favor of the referendum to reject the statute or part of the statute subject to the referendum.	12/07/2020 - INTRODUCED.
SCR 5 Melendez (R)	State of emergency: COVID-19: Termination		Declares that the state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor on a specified date, is at an end, thereby terminating the emergency powers granted to the Governor as a result of that proclamation.	02/10/2021 - Re-referred to SENATE Committee on GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION.

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HR 535 Garamendi (D)	Coronavirus Relief Fund Special Districts		Amends the Social Security Act, includes special districts in the coronavirus relief fund, directs the Secretary to include special districts as an eligible issuer under the Municipal Liquidity Facility.	01/28/2021 - To HOUSE Committee on FINANCIAL SERVICES.
HR 737 Valadao (R)	California Operational Flexibility and Drought Relief		Extends the authorities under the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act of 2016 providing operational flexibility, drought relief, and other benefits to the State of California.	02/02/2021 - INTRODUCED.;02/02/2021 - To HOUSE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
HR 1015 Napolitano (D)	Water Recycling and Reuse Project Grants	SUPPORT	Establishes a grant program for the funding of water recycling and reuse projects.	02/11/2021 - INTRODUCED.;02/11/2021 - To HOUSE Committee on NATURAL RESOURCES.
HR 1352 Lawrence (D)	Trust Fund for Water and Sewer Infrastructure		Establishes a trust fund to provide for adequate funding for water and sewer infrastructure.	02/26/2021 - In HOUSE Committee on TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE: Referred to Subcommittee on WATER RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT.
HR 1848 Pallone (D)	National Infrastructure		Rebuilds and modernizes the Nation's infrastructure to expand access to broadband and Next Generation 9-1-1, rehabilitate drinking water infrastructure, modernize the electric grid and energy supply infrastructure, redevelop brownfields, strengthen health care infrastructure, create jobs, and protect public health and the environment.	03/11/2021 - To HOUSE Committees.
HR 1915 DeFazio (D)	Federal Water Pollution Control Act		Amends the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize certain water pollution control programs.	03/17/2021 - In HOUSE Committee on TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE: Referred to Subcommittee on WATER RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT.

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<u>S</u> 91 Sinema (D)	Coronavirus Relief Fund Special Districts		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	01/28/2021 - INTRODUCED.;01/28/2021 - In SENATE. Read second time.;01/28/2021 - To SENATE Committee on FINANCE.

SENATE BILL No. 222

## **Introduced by Senator Dodd** (Coauthor: Senator Gonzalez)

(Coauthors: Assembly Members Bloom, *Gonzalez* and Robert Rivas and *Senator Wiener*)

January 14, 2021

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; and Section 12087.8 to Chapter 1 of Article 8 of Part 2 of Division 3 of Title 1 of the Government Code

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 6.5 (commencing with Section 116930) 1 is added to Part 12 of Division 104 of the Health and Safety Code, 3 to read: 4 5 Chapter 6.5. Water *Rate* Affordability Assistance Program 6 7 Article 1. Water **Rate** Affordability Assistance Fund 8 9 116930. (a) The Water **Rate** Affordability Assistance Fund is hereby established in the State Treasury to provide water affordability 10 assistance, for both drinking water and wastewater services, to 11 12 low-income ratepayers and ratepayers experiencing economic hardship in California. Moneys in the fund shall be available upon

- 1 appropriation by the Legislature to the <u>department</u>, <u>in</u> <u>consultation with the state board</u>, <u>state board</u> to provide all
- 2 of the following:
- 3 (1) Direct water bill assistance.
- (2) Water crisis assistance or wastewater service.
- 7 (3) Water bill credits to renters and individuals or households
  - 5 that pay other amounts, fees, or charges related to residential water
- 8 (4) Affordability assistance to low-income households served
- 9 by domestic wells.
- 10 (5) Water efficiency measures for low-income households.
- 11 (6) *Technical* Short-term assistance *for* to *small* public water systems to administer
- 12 program components, including initial startup costs.
- (7) Identify and contract with a third-party Water Affordability Assistance Fund Administrator. The scope of work for the Water Affordability Assistance Fund Administrator may include, but not be limited to, eligibility determination, call center services, web-based enrollments and document intake and processing.
- 13 (b) The <u>department state board</u> may, upon appropriation by the Legislature,
- 14 expend moneys from the fund for reasonable regulatory costs
- 15 associated with the administration of this chapter, not to exceed <u>10</u> 5
- 16 percent of the annual deposits into the fund.
- 17 116930.1. The <u>department</u> state board shall do all of the following in
- 18 administering the fund:
- 19 (a) Track and manage revenue in the fund separately from all
- 20 other revenue.
- 21 (b) Develop and implement a process for disbursing program
- 22 funds to public water systems or third-party providers <u>for direct payments to community</u> public <u>water systems</u>, including
- 23 controls to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse.
- 24 (c) Manage and maintain fund balances in conjunction with the
- 25 Controller, the Treasurer, the California State Auditor's Office,
- and the Department of Finance, as appropriate.
- 27 (d) Expend, upon appropriation by the Legislature, moneys in
- 28 the fund for grants, contracts, direct monetary assistance, or
- 29 services to assist eligible recipients.
- (e) (1) Verify the eligibility of each recipient, based upon the eligibility criteria established in Section 116931.1.
- (2) Establish a process to regularly confirm the eligibility of recipients, based upon the eligibility criteria established in Section 116931.1.
- (3) The verification requirements called for in paragraphs (1) and (2) may be carried out by the Water Affordability Assistance Fund Administrator.

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31	Article 2. Program Implementation
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33	116931. (a) The department, in consultation with the state board, shall, by January 1,
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34	guidelines and fund oversight procedures for implementation of
35	the program.
36	(b) In developing the guidelines, the <u>department</u> shall consult
37	with an advisory group that includes representatives of all of the
38	following:
39	(1) Public water systems.

- 1 (2) Technical assistance providers, including organizations that 2 support the federal Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.
- 3 (3) Local agencies, including agencies that manage multifamily
- 4 housing serving low-income residents.
- 5 (4) Nongovernmental organizations that work with residents of
- 6 disadvantaged communities.
- 7 (5) Representatives from the public, including, but not limited
- 8 to, low-income residents, low-income residents who live in
  - 9 multifamily housing, and residents served by tribal water systems.
- 10 116931.1. (a) The *department and* state board shall, in consultation with the
- advisory group described in subdivision (b) of Section 116931 and
- 12 after a public hearing, adopt an annual fund expenditure plan. The
- 13 annual fund expenditure plan may be incorporated into the fund
- 14 expenditure plan developed pursuant to Article 4 (commencing
- 15 with Section 116768) of Chapter 4.6.
- 16 (b) The annual fund expenditure plan shall contain all of the
- 17 following:
- 18 (1) Identification of key terms, criteria, and metrics, and their
- 19 definitions related to implementation of this section.
- 20 (2) A description of how proposed remedies related to this
- 21 section will be identified, evaluated, prioritized, and included in
- 22 the annual fund expenditure plan.
- 23 (3) A report of expenditures from the fund for the prior fiscal
- 24 year and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year.
- 25 (4) An estimate of the number of households eligible for
- 26 assistance, including those that do not receive a direct bill for
- 27 water.

(A) In identifying household eligibility, the department shall consider

(i) if any member of the customer's household is a current enrollee in, or recipient of, CalWORKs, CalFresh, general assistance, Medi-Cal, Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment Program, or California Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children.

(ii) Utility customers enrolled in the California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) program established pursuant to Section 739.1 of the Public Utilities Code and the Family Electric Rate Assistance Program established pursuant to Section 739.12 of the Public Utilities Code.

- 28 (5) A section that discusses water affordability challenges and
- 29 proposed solutions for <u>reducing water debt for eligible</u> Californians served by <del>community</del> <u>public water systems</u>, state small water
- 30 systems, local small water systems, and domestic wells. An
- evaluation of solutions shall include, but not be limited to, all of
- 32 the following:

- 33 (A) Amortization of an unpaid balance.
- 34 (B) Participation in an alternative payment schedule.
- 35 (C) Partial or full reduction of the unpaid balance financed
- 36 without additional charges to other ratepayers.
- 37 (D) Temporary deferral of payment.
- 38 (E) An arrearage management plan.
- 39 (F) Tiered water rates or percentage of income payment plan.

- 1 <u>(6) Methods to ensure timely and meaningful public</u> participation and encourage enrollment in the program.
  - Methods to retain water system solvency, such as the use
- 2 of fixed rates and increased use of water meters to improve
- 3 planning.
- 4 (76) An estimate of the funding <u>available</u> needed for the next fiscal year
- 5 based on the amount available in the fund, anticipated funding
- 6 needs, other existing funding sources, and other relevant data and
- 7 information.
- 8 (c) The annual fund expenditure plan shall identify the funding
- 9 need of disadvantaged communities and low-income households
- 10 whose water bill charges pose affordability challenges based on
- 11 metrics developed by the *department*, state board, and the Public Utilities
- 12 Commission.
- 13 (d) The annual fund expenditure plan shall include analysis with
- 14 metrics to evaluate how expenditures from prior fiscal years
- 15 improved affordability.
- 16 116931.2. (a) By July 1, 2022, the Public Utilities Commission
- 17 shall establish a mechanism for electrical corporations and gas
- 18 corporations to regularly share data with the <u>department</u> state board regarding
- 19 the utility customers enrolled in, or eligible to be enrolled in, the
- 20 California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) program established
- 21 pursuant to Section 739.1 of the Public Utilities Code and the
- 22 Family Electric Rate Assistance Program. Electrical corporations
- 23 and gas corporations shall regularly share that data with the *department* state
- 24 board through the mechanism.
- 25 (b)(1) The state board department may enter into an agreement with require local publicly owned electric
- 26 utilities and local publicly owned gas utilities, including, but not
- 27 limited to, municipal utility districts and irrigation districts, for the sole purpose of to
- 28 regularly sharing e data with the department state board regarding utility customers
- 29 enrolled in, or eligible to be enrolled in, affordability programs
- 30 benefiting low-income customers.
- (2) Agreements may permit the department to provide data pursuant to this subdivision to local water agencies for the sole purpose of assisting with the administration of the Water Affordability Assistance Program.
- 31 (c) Data shared pursuant to subdivision (a) or (b) is subject to
- 32 the confidentiality protections of Section 6254.16 of the
- 33 Government Code <u>and the department shall ensure that the confidentiality of the contact</u> <u>information is protected under reasonable security procedures.</u>
- 34 (d) Notwithstanding any other law, a local publicly owned electric utility or local publicly owned gas utility pursuant to (b), shall not be subject to civil or criminal liability for the accuracy of, or any use, nonuse, or improper release of, the contact information it provides to the county under this section, including, without limitation, for any deficiencies or inaccuracies

## of the contact information provided.

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35	Article 3. Fund Expenditures
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37	116932. (a) If moneys are deposited into the fund before the
38	adoption of an annual fund expenditure plan, the department, in consultation with
the	state board, shall, upon appropriation by the Legislature, expend those moneys from
40	the fund to provide water crisis assistance to low-income

- 1 households through direct assistance to the low-income households.
- 2 forgiveness of delinquency by the public water system and
- 3 reimbursement by the state board, <u>department</u>, or some other disbursement
- 4 mechanism. The <u>department</u> state board may use up to <u>10</u> 5 percent of those
- 5 moneys for administrative purposes.
- 6 (b) The <u>department</u> state board may adopt <u>emergency</u> regulations pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code) both of the following

if necessary

- 7 to implement this section:
- 8 (1) A policy handbook.
- 9 (2) Emergency regulations pursuant to the Administrative
- 10 Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of
- 11 Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code).

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Article 4. Program Administration

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- 15 116933. The <u>department board</u> do all of the following in
- 16 administering the program:
- 17 (a) <u>Coordinate with the board to c</u>Collect and ensure the accuracy of water rate data and water
- 18 system boundary data from each public water system.
- 19 (b) Coordinate with the Public Utilities Commission regarding
- 20 existing rate assistance programs for investor-owned water utilities. <u>Once an annual funding expenditure plan is adopted, the existing rate assistance programs for investor-owned water utilities will cease if the customers receiving assistance from these programs will receive assistance through the Water Affordability Assistance Fund equal to or exceeding requirements set by the Public Utilities Commission.</u>
- (c) By January 1, 2023, the Public Utilities Commission will establish a process for transitioning customers from existing rate assistance programs for investor-owned water utilities to the program established by this statute.
- 21 (de) For a public water system that is not regulated by the Public
- 22 Utilities Commission, *consult with the Water Board on options to* provide oversight of the public water
- 23 system's implementation of the program to ensure effectiveness
- 24 and prevent fraud, waste, and abuse.
- 25 (ed) <u>In</u> consultation <u>with the board and Public Utilities Commission</u>, <u>d</u>Develop and publish performance metrics for the program,
- 26 including, but not limited to, enrollment levels, total water shutoffs
- 27 for inability to pay, and on-time payment level **B-8**

28	(fe) Coordinate with other state agencies and resolve disputes
29	as necessary.
30	(gf) Identify alternative entities to distribute and track benefits
31	if a public water system is unwilling to do so or if the department, in consultation with the
stat	e board,
32	has determined a public water system is incapable of administering
33	the program.
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35	Article 5. Definitions
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37	116934. For purposes of this chapter, the following definitions
38	apply:
39	(a) "Department" means the Department of Community Services and Development
	(b) "Fund" means the Water Affordability Assistance Fund
40	created pursuant to Section 116930.

- 1 (c) "Low income" means a household income, or a community
- 2 annual median household income, that is equal to or no greater
- 3 than 200 percent of the federal poverty guideline level.
- 4 (d) "Program" means the Water Affordability Assistance
- 5 Program established pursuant to this chapter.
- 6 (e) "Public water system" has the same meaning as defined in
- 7 Section 116275.
  - 8 **(f)** "State board" means the State Water Resources Control
- 9 Board.
  - 10 (g) "State small water system" has the same meaning as defined
- 11 in Section 116275.

Sec. 2 Section 10287.8 is added to Article 8 of Chapter 1, Part 2, Division 3, Title 2 of the Government Code, to read:

### 12087.8

The department shall develop and administer the Water Rate Assistance Fund established pursuant to Chapter 6.5 (commencing with Section 116930) of Part 12 of Division 104 of the Health and Safety Code and expend moneys appropriated by the Legislature for the purposes of the program.

- 12 SEC. 2. No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to
- 13 Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because
- 14 a local agency or school district has the authority to levy service
- 15 charges, fees, or assessments sufficient to pay for the program or
  - 16 level of service mandated by this act, within the meaning of Section
- 17 17556 of the Government Code.

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SB 223 (Dodd)- Proposed Amendments

### THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

### **SECTION 1.**

Section 116902 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

#### 116902.

For the purposes of this chapter, the following definitions apply:

- (a) "Board" means the State Water Resources Control Board.
- (b) "Public water system" has the same meaning as defined in Section 116275.
- (c) "Residential service" means water service to a residential connection that includes single-family residences, multifamily residences, mobilehomes, including, but not limited to, mobilehomes in mobilehome parks, or farmworker housing.
- (d) "Urban and community water system" means a public water system that supplies water to more than 200 service-connections. connections used by year-long residents.
- (e) "Urban water supplier" has the same meaning as defined in Section 10617 of the Water Code.
- (f) "Very small community water system" means a public water system that supplies water to 200 or fewer service connections used by year-long residents.

### **SEC. 2.**

Section 116904 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

#### 116904.

- (a) An urban water supplier not regulated by the Public Utilities Commission shall comply with this chapter on and after February 1, 2020.
- (b) An urban and community water system regulated by the Public Utilities Commission shall comply with this chapter on and after February 1, 2020. The urban and community water system regulated by the Public Utilities Commission shall file advice letters with the commission to conform with this chapter.
- (c) An urban and community water system not described in subdivision (a) or (b) shall comply with this chapter on and after April 1, 2020.
- (d) A very small community water system shall comply with this chapter on and after July 1, 2022. A very small community water system regulated by the Public Utilities Commission shall file advice letters with the commission to conform with this chapter.
- (e) The board shall provide technical assistance to very small community water systems, as appropriate, to assist with compliance with this chapter.
- (f) The board shall establish a bridge loan program to assist very small community water systems that may suffer revenue loss or delayed collection while complying with this chapter. To the extent funding is available, partial loan forgiveness shall be made available to systems that offer debt forgiveness to low-income residents with past due accounts.
- (g) An urban water supplier and an urban and community water system shall update its policies to comply with this chapter by July 1, 2022.

### **SEC. 3.**

Section 116906 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

#### 116906.

(a) An urban and community water system and a very small community water system shall have a written policy on discontinuation of residential service for nonpayment available in English, the languages listed in Section 1632 of the Civil Code, and any other language spoken by at least 10 percent of the people residing in its service area. The policy shall include all of the following:

- (1) A plan for deferred or reduced payments. payments that includes an option for repayment over a period of 12 months or longer.
- (2) Alternative payment schedules.
- (3) A formal mechanism for a customer to contest or appeal a bill.
- (4) <u>To the extent required by Section 116915, an</u> An arrearage management plan to be offered to eligible low-income customers. consistent with the following:
- (A) The arrearage management plan shall extend for a maximum of 12 months and shall include forgiveness of at least one-twelfth of the delinquent balance with each consecutive on-time payment of the monthly charge for water service only. Forgiveness of the full delinquent balance under the arrearage management plan shall take place at the final consecutive on-time payment under the plan.
- (B) A customer who misses two consecutive payments may be removed from the arrearage management plan. If a customer is removed from the arrearage management plan before making 12 on-time payments, any debt that has already been forgiven shall remain forgiven and the urban and community water system or very small community water system shall offer enrollment into an amortization agreement, alternative payment schedule, or a plan for deferred or reduced payment. (4)
- (5) A telephone number for a customer to contact to discuss options for averting discontinuation of residential service for nonpayment.
- (6) For systems that provide water <u>use</u> audits or have the capacity to do so, a <u>free</u> water audit offered <u>at no additional cost</u> to low-income residential customers households <del>with water usage that is above the annual average volume usage of their customer class</del>.
- (b) The policy shall be available on the urban and community water system's Internet Web site, internet website of the urban and community water system or very small community water system, if an Internet Web site internet website exists. If an Internet Web site internet website does not exist, the urban and community water system or very small community water system shall provide the policy to customers in writing, upon request. in writing upon its adoption or revision and upon request by a customer.
- (c) (1) The board may enforce the requirements of this section pursuant to Sections 116577, 116650, and 116655. The provisions of Section 116585 and Article 10 (commencing with Section 116700) of Chapter 4 apply to enforcement undertaken for a violation of this section.
- (2) All moneys collected pursuant to this subdivision shall be deposited in the Safe Drinking Water Account established pursuant to Section 116590.
- (d) The board shall 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 compliance with this section. The written policy template shall be provided in English and the languages listed in Section 1632 of the Civil Code.

**SEC. 4.** 

Section 116908 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

### 116908.

(a) (1) (A) An urban and community water system or very small community water system shall not discontinue residential service for nonpayment until a payment for water service by a customer has been delinquent for at least 60 days. 120 90 days and or the amount of the delinquency, excluding late charges and interest, is at least four hundred dollars (\$400) two hundred fifty (\$250). No less than seven business days before discontinuation of residential service for

nonpayment, an urban and community water system and very small community water system shall contact the customer named on the account by telephone or written notice.

- (B) When the urban and community water system or very small community water system contacts the customer named on the account by telephone pursuant to subparagraph (A), it shall offer to provide in writing to the customer the urban and community water system's its policy on discontinuation of residential service for nonpayment. An urban and community water system and very small community water system shall offer to discuss options to avert discontinuation of residential service for nonpayment, including, but not limited to, alternative payment schedules, deferred payments, entering into an arrearage management plan, minimum payments, procedures for requesting amortization of the unpaid balance, and petition for bill review and appeal.
- (C) When the urban and community water system or very small community water system contacts the customer named on the account by written notice pursuant to subparagraph (A), the written notice of payment delinquency and impending discontinuation shall be mailed to the customer of the residence to which the residential service is provided. If the customer's address is not the address of the property to which residential service is provided, the notice also shall be sent to the address of the property to which residential service is provided, addressed to "Occupant." The notice shall include, but is not limited to, all of the following information in a clear and legible format:
- (i) The customer's name and address.
- (ii) The amount of the delinquency.
- (iii) The date by which payment or arrangement for payment is required in order to avoid discontinuation of residential service.
- (iv) A description of the process to apply for an extension of time to pay the delinquent charges.
- (v) A description of the procedure to petition for bill review and appeal.
- (vi) A description of the procedure by which the customer may request a deferred, reduced, or alternative payment schedule, including entering into an arrearage management plan or an amortization of the delinquent residential service charges, consistent with the written policies provided pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 116906.
- (2) If the urban and community water system or very small community water system is unable to make contact with the customer or an adult occupying the residence by telephone, and written notice is returned through the mail as undeliverable, the urban and community water system or very small community water system shall make a good faith effort to visit the residence and leave, or make other arrangements for placement in a conspicuous place of, a notice of imminent discontinuation of residential service for nonpayment and the urban and community water system's policy for discontinuation of residential service for nonpayment.
- (b) If an adult at the residence appeals the water bill to the urban and community water system, very small community water system, or any other administrative or legal body to which such an appeal may be lawfully taken, the urban and community water system or very small community water system shall not discontinue residential service while the appeal is pending.
- (c) For purposes of this section, a residential water customer who pays a water bill that is combined with billing for other services, including, but not limited to, sewer service or electricity service, is not delinquent and shall not have their water service discontinued for nonpayment if the customer has paid an amount equal to or greater than the monthly charge for water service, excluding taxes and fees.

(d) Notwithstanding any other law, the urban and community water system or very small community water system shall release all liens, and shall not obtain any new lien, for delinquent amounts owed for residential water or sewer service when the customer is enrolled in an amortization agreement, alternative payment schedule, or arrearage management plan, or a plan for deferred or reduced payment. If a lien is imposed on a customer due to nonpayment, the urban and community water system shall provide to the customer in writing information on how a lien operates, assurance that the lien will not result in foreclosure while the customer is enrolled in an amortization agreement, alternative payment schedule, or arrearage management plan, or a plan for deferred or reduced payment, and confirmation that the lien will be released when the past due amount has been fully paid.

**SEC. 5.** 

Section 116910 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

#### 116910.

- (a) An urban and community water system or very small community water system shall not discontinue residential water service to an occupied residence for nonpayment during a state or local emergency declared pursuant to Section 8625 or 8630 of the Government Code when the area of the declared state or local emergency encompasses the customer's residence, unless the entity declaring the emergency finds that the emergency will not impact the customers' ability to pay for residential service.
- (b) An urban and community water system or very small community water system shall not discontinue residential service for nonpayment if all of the following conditions are met:
- (1) (A) The customer, or a tenant of the customer, submits self-certifies submits to the urban and community water system or very small community water system that a resident of the premises is older than 65 years of age or younger than 18 years of age or submits the certification of a primary care provider, as that term is defined in subparagraph (A) of paragraph (1) of subdivision (b) of Section 14088 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, that discontinuation of residential service will be life threatening to, or pose a serious threat to the health and safety of, a resident of the premises where residential service is provided.
- (B) As an alternative to the procedures described in subparagraph (A), a customer, or tenant of the customer, may self-certify *in writing under penalty of perjury* that they do not have a primary care provider and that discontinuation of residential service will be life threatening to, or pose a serious threat to the health and safety of, a resident of the premises where residential service is provided. A self-certification under this subparagraph may be *oral or in writing and may be* made in English or any of the languages listed in Section 1632 of the Civil Code.

# (C) For the purposes of Subdivision B, a serious threat to health and safety may include, but is not limited to, the presence of a resident of the premises younger than 18 years of age.

(2) The customer demonstrates that he or she is they are financially unable to pay for residential service within the urban and community water system's normal billing-eyele. cycle of the urban and community water system or very small community water system. The customer shall be deemed financially unable to pay for residential service within the urban and community water system's normal billing cycle if any member of the customer's household is a current enrollee in, or recipient of of, the California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) program established pursuant to Section 739.1 of the Public Utilities Code, the Family Electric Rate Assistance program established pursuant to Section 739.12 of the Public Utilities Code, CalWORKs, CalFresh, general assistance, Medi-Cal, Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment Program, or California Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children, or the

customer declares that the household's annual income is less than 200 percent of the federal poverty level.

(3) The customer is willing to enter into an amortization agreement, alternative payment schedule, or arrearage management plan, or a plan for deferred or reduced payment, consistent with the written policies provided pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 116906, with respect to all delinquent charges.

<del>(b)</del>

- (c) (1) If the conditions listed in subdivision  $\frac{(a)}{(b)}$  are met, the urban and community water system or very small community water system shall offer the customerone or more of the following options:
- (A) Amortization of the unpaid balance.
- (B) Participation in an alternative payment schedule.
- (C) A partial or full reduction of the unpaid balance financed without additional charges to other ratepayers.
- (D) Temporary deferral of payment.
- (E) <u>To the extent required by Section 116915 an</u> <u>An</u> arrearage management plan<del>, as described in paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of Section 116906</del>.
- (2) The urban and community water system may choose which of the payment options described in paragraph (1) the customer undertakes and may set the parameters of that or very small community water system shall, in consultation with the customer, select the option described in paragraph (1) that may assist best assists the customer in avoiding discontinuation of service over the long term, and may set the parameters of the selected payment option. Ordinarily, the repayment option offered should result in repayment resolution of any remaining outstanding balance within 12 months. An urban and community water system or very small community water system may grant a longer repayment period if it finds the longer period is necessary to avoid undue hardship to the customer based on the circumstances of the individual case.
- (3) Residential service may be discontinued no sooner than 5 business days after the urban and community water system or very small community water system posts a final notice of intent to disconnect service in a prominent and conspicuous location at the property under either of the following circumstances:
- (A) The customer fails to comply with an amortization agreement, an alternative payment schedule, or arrearage management plan, or a deferral or reduction in payment plan for delinquent charges for 60 days or more.
- (B) While undertaking an amortization agreement, an alternative payment schedule, or arrearage management plan, or a deferral or reduction in payment plan for delinquent charges, the customer does not pay his or her their current residential service charges for 60 days or more.
- (d) By July 1, 2022, the Public Utilities Commission shall establish a mechanism by which electrical and gas corporations regularly share data with urban and community water systems and very small community water systems in their service areas regarding the utility customers enrolled in, or eligible to be enrolled in, the California Alternate Rates for Energy program established pursuant to Section 739.1 of the Public Utilities Code or the Family Electric Rates Assistance program, established pursuant to Section 739.12 of the Public Utilities Code. Data shared pursuant to the mechanism established by the commission shall be subject to Section 6254.16 of the Government Code.

**SEC. 6.** 

Section 116912 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

### 116912.

An urban and community water system or very small community water system that discontinues residential service for nonpayment shall provide the customer with information on how to restore residential service.

#### **SEC. 7.**

Section 116914 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

#### 116914.

- (a) For a residential customer who demonstrates to an urban and community water system *or very small community water system* household income below 200 percent of the federal poverty line, the urban and community water system *or very small community water system* shall do both of the following:
- (1)Set a reconnection of service fee for reconnection during normal operating hours at fifty dollars (\$50), but not to exceed the actual cost of reconnection if it is less. Reconnection fees shall be subject to an annual adjustment for changes in the Consumer Price Index beginning January 1, 2021. For the reconnection of residential service during nonoperational hours, an urban and community water system shall set a reconnection of service fee at one hundred fifty dollars (\$150), but not to exceed the actual cost of reconnection if it is less. Reconnection fees shall be subject to an annual adjustment for changes in the Consumer Price Index beginning January 1, 2021.
- (1) Waive fees for disconnection and reconnection of service.
- (2) Waive all late fees, interest charges charges, and penalties on delinquent bills once every 12 months.
- (b) An urban and community water system and very small community water system shall deem a residential customer to have a household income below 200 percent of the federal poverty line if any member of the household is a current enrollee in, or recipient-of of, the California Alternate Rates for Energy program established pursuant to Section 739.1 of the Public Utilities Code, the Family Electric Rate Assistance program established pursuant to Section 739.12 of the Public Utilities Code, CalWORKs, CalFresh, general assistance, Medi-Cal, Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment Program, or California Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children, or the customer declares that the household's annual income is less than 200 percent of the federal poverty level.

### SEC. 8

### Section 11915 is added to the Health and Safety Code:

### *116915*.

- (a) The Public Utilities Commission shall by January 1, 2023 establish an arrearage management plan program and eligibility criteria and conditions for the arrearage management plans to be offered by urban and community water systems regulated by the Public Utilities Commission.
- (b) An urban and community water system not regulated by the Public Utilities Commission shall by January 1, 2023 or during its next rate study, whichever comes first, evaluate the extent to which it can offer an arrearage management plan to aid low-income residential customers with household income below 200 percent of the federal poverty line with high arrearages for water or wastewater service without using ratepayer funds from customers who are not enrolled in the arrearage management plan.

- (c) In evaluating the extent to which it can offer an arrearage management plan without using ratepayer funds from customers who are not enrolled in the arrearage management plan, the urban and community water system shall consider, among other things, all of the following:
- (1) The availability of non-ratepayer revenue, including but not limited to general fund accounts, property tax revenue, state and federal funding, special district fees or assessments, and revenue derived from interest, late fees, reconnection fees, and disconnection fees.
- (2) The net revenue benefits reasonably anticipated from regular payments made by customers enrolled in arrearage management plans.
- (3) The establishment of a portal or on-bill mechanism for collecting voluntary customer contributions.
- (4) Annual uncollectible debt over the past five years.
- (5) The total arrearages of residential customers with household income below 200 percent of the federal poverty line or deemed to have household income below 200 percent of the federal poverty line pursuant to Section 116914(b).
- (6) The likely revenue impacts of setting alternative arrearage management plan eligibility caps, terms, and other conditions.
- (7) Appropriate program limitations based on available funding.
- (d) An urban and community water system shall make findings at a public meeting regarding the extent to which it can offer an arrearage management plan to aid low-income households with high arrearages for water or wastewater service.
- (e) To the extent an urban and community water system finds that it can offer an arrearage management plan to low-income customers, it shall promptly offer arrearage management plans to low-income customers that comply with both of the following, subject to appropriate program limitations based on available funding:
- (1) The arrearage management plan shall extend for a maximum of 12 months and shall include forgiveness of at least one-twelfth of the delinquent balance with each consecutive on-time payment of the monthly charge for water service only. Forgiveness of the full delinquent balance under the arrearage management plan shall take place at the final consecutive on-time payment under the plan.
- (2) A customer who misses two consecutive payments may be removed from the arrearage management plan. If a customer is removed from the arrearage management plan before making 12 on-time payments, any debt that has already been forgiven shall remain forgiven and the urban and community water system or very small community water system shall offer enrollment into an amortization agreement, alternative payment schedule, or a plan for deferred or reduced payment.
- (e) If an urban and community water system, based on the evaluation required by this section, finds that it cannot offer an arrearage management plan, it shall do all of the following:
- (1) Consider, as part of the evaluation described in this section, alternatives to offering an arrearage management plan that will decrease the risk of shutoff for low-income customers with high arrearages, including but not limited to all of the following:
- (A) Offering longer repayment plans.
- (B) Increasing benefits provided under a low-income rate assistance program.
- (C) Altering shutoff policies.
- (2) Identify funding barriers that prevent it from offering an arrearage management plan.
- (3) Promptly adopt identified alternatives to decrease the risk of shutoff for low-income customers with high arrearages.

## (f) This Section shall not limit the ability of a very small community water system to establish an arrearage management plan.

### **SEC. 8.**

Section 116916 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

### 116916.

- (a) This section applies if there is a landlord-tenant relationship between the residential occupants and the owner, manager, or operator of the dwelling.
- (b) An urban and community water system or very small community water system shall not discontinue for nonpayment residential water service to a master-metered multifamily residence with at least four units or to a master-metered mobilehome park.

(b)

(c) If an urban and community water system or very small community water system furnishes individually metered residential service to residential occupants of a detached single-family dwelling, a multiunit residential structure, mobilehome park, or permanent residential structure in a labor camp as defined in Section 17008, and the owner, manager, or operator of the dwelling, structure, or park is the customer of record, the urban and community water system or very small community water system shall make every good faith effort to inform the residential occupants, by means of written notice, when the account is in arrears that service will be terminated at least 10 days prior to the termination. The written notice shall further inform the residential occupants that they have the right to become customers, to whom the service will then be billed, without being required to pay any amount which may be due on the delinquent account.

<del>(c)</del>

(d) The urban and community water system or very small community water system is not required to make direct service available to the residential occupants unless each residential occupant agrees to the terms and conditions of service and meets the requirements of law and the urban and community water system's rules and tariffs. rules of the urban and community water system or very small community water system. However, if one or more of the residential occupants are willing and able to assume responsibility for the subsequent charges to the account to the satisfaction of the urban and community water system or very small community water system, or if there is a physical means legally available to the urban and community water system or very small community water system of selectively terminating service to those residential occupants who have not met the requirements of the urban and community water system, the urban and community water system or very small community water system, the urban and community water system or very small community water system, the urban and community water system or very small community water system shall make service available to those residential occupants who have met those requirements.

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(e) If prior service for a period of time is a condition for establishing credit with the urban and community water system or very small community water system, residence and proof of prompt payment of rent or other credit obligation acceptable to the urban and community water system or very small community water system for that period of time is a satisfactory equivalent.

(e)

(f) Any residential occupant who becomes a customer of the urban and community water system or very small community water system pursuant to this section whose periodic payments, such as rental payments, include charges for residential water service, where those charges are not separately stated, may deduct from the periodic payment each payment period all reasonable

charges paid to the urban and community water system or very small community water system for those services during the preceding payment period.

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- (g) In the case of a detached single-family dwelling, the urban and community water system or very small community water system may do any of the following:
- (1) Give notice of termination at least seven days prior to the proposed termination.
- (2) In order for the amount due on the delinquent account to be waived, require an occupant who becomes a customer to verify that the delinquent account customer of record is or was the landlord, manager, or agent of the dwelling. Verification may include, but is not limited to, a lease or rental agreement, rent receipts, a government document indicating that the occupant is renting the property, or information disclosed pursuant to Section 1962 of the Civil Code. SEC. 9.

Section 116918 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

### 116918.

- (a) An urban and community water system or very small community water system shall report annually the number of annual discontinuations of residential service for inability to pay on the urban and community water system's Internet Web site, pay, during the reporting year, both for the water system as a whole and for each ZIP Code served by the water system, on the water system's internet website, if an Internet Web site internet website exists, and to the board. The board shall post on its Internet Web site internet website the information reported.
- (b) In its annual reporting to the board pursuant to this section, each urban and community water system and very small community water system shall report all of the following:
- (1) The number of accounts for which water service was restored within 36 hours of the time of disconnection.
- (2) The number of accounts for which water service was restored between 36 hours and seven days from the time of disconnection.
- (3) The number of accounts for which water service was restored more than seven days after disconnection.
- (4) The number of accounts for customers who fell behind on their water bills during the year, the median amount of household water debt that is outstanding at the end of each annual reporting cycle, and the overall amount of household water debt that is outstanding at the end of each annual reporting cycle.
- (5) The number of accounts for customers who are enrolled in a water affordability program at the end of each annual reporting cycle.
- (c) An urban and community water system shall report to the board during the reporting year that it completes its evaluation pursuant to Section 116915 all of the following:
- (1) The extent to which it found it could offer an arrearage management plan.
- (2) Any identified barriers to offering an arrearage management plan.
- (3) Whether it identified alternatives to an arrearage management plan that it will or has adopted, and the nature of the identified alternatives.
- (d) By January 1, 2024, the Board shall complete a report to the Legislature on arrearage management plans established by Section 116915 that includes whether and to what extent urban and community water systems have offered arrearage management plans, any identified barriers, any identified alternatives, and all available information regarding reduction in shutoffs and revenue impacts.

### **SEC. 10.**

Section 116920 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

#### 116920.

- (a) The Attorney General, The board may issue an order to an urban and community water system or very small community water system to enforce the requirements of this chapter.
- (b) The board, or the Attorney General at the request of the board or upon-his or her the Attorney General's own motion, may bring an action in state court to restrain by temporary or permanent injunction the use of any method, act, or practice declared in this chapter to be unlawful.
- (c) For an urban and community water system or very small community water system regulated by the Public Utilities Commission, the commission may bring an action in state court to restrain by temporary or permanent injunction the use by an urban and community water system or very small community water system regulated by the commission of any method, act, or practice declared in this chapter to be unlawful.

### **SEC. 11.**

Section 116922 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

### 116922.

All written notices required under this chapter shall be provided in English, the languages listed in Section 1632 of the Civil Code, and any other language spoken by 10 percent or more of the customers in the urban and community water system's service area. service area of the urban and community water system or very small community water system.

### **SEC. 12.**

Section 116926 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

### 116926.

This chapter does not apply to the termination of a service connection by an urban and community water system *or very small community water system* due to an unauthorized action of a customer.

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