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MEETING OF THE

LEGISLATIVE/ COMMUNICATIONS AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Tuesday, April 16, 2019
8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

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MEETING INFORMATION

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LEGISLATIVE/COMMUNICATIONS AND MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

Southern California Association of Governments
900 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017

April 16, 2019

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

The Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee may consider and act upon any of the items listed on the agenda regardless of whether they are listed as information or action items.

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, and ROLL CALL

(Hon. Clint Lorimore, Chair)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Members of the public desiring to speak on items on the agenda, or items not on the agenda, but within the purview of the Committee, must fill out and present a Public Comment Card to the Assistant prior to speaking. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes per speaker. The Chair has the discretion to reduce the time limit based upon the number of speakers and may limit the total time for all public comments to twenty (20) minutes.

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Recommended Action: Support

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Recommended Action: Support



LEGISLATIVE/COMMUNICATIONS AND
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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Any Committee member or staff desiring to place items on a future agenda may make such a request.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

The next regular meeting of the Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at SCAG's headquarters at 900 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017.



Southern California Association of Governments
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Agenda Item No. 1
April 16, 2019

To: Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC)
From: Art Yoon; Director of Policy and Public Affairs; (213) 236-1840; artyoon@scag.ca.gov
Subject: Minutes of the March 19, 2019 Meeting

The Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee held its March 19, 2019 meeting at SCAG's offices at 900 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Imperial County

Cheryl Viegas-Walker, District 1 **(Videoconference)**

Los Angeles County

Hon. Margaret Clark, District 32 **(Teleconference)**

Hon. Judy Mitchell, District 40 **(Videoconference)**

Hon. Rex Richardson, District 29 **(Teleconference)**

Hon. Ali Saleh, District 27 **(Teleconference)**

Riverside County

Hon. Clint Lorimore, District 4 **(Videoconference)**

Hon. Steve Manos, District 63 **(Teleconference)**

San Bernardino County

Hon. Curt Hagman, San Bernardino County **(Teleconference)**

Hon. Ray Marquez, District 10 **(Teleconference)**

Hon. James Mulvihill, District 7 **(Videoconference)**

Hon. Alan Wapner, San Bernardino County Transportation Authority **(Teleconference)**

Ventura County

Hon. Carmen Ramirez, District 45 **(Teleconference)**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Hon. Clint Lorimore, at 8:35 a.m. A quorum was confirmed and roll-call taken.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments presented.

REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE AGENDA ITEMS

There was no reprioritization of the Agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Minutes of the February 19, 2019 Meeting
2. Legislative Tracking Report

A MOTION was made (Viegas-Walker) to APPROVE the Consent Calendar. The MOTION was SECONDED (Marquez) and APPROVED by a majority vote. A roll-call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

AYES: Clark, Hagman, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, Mulvihill, Ramirez, Saleh, Viegas-Walker, Wapner (10).

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ACTION ITEMS

3. AB 10 (Chiu) – Income Taxes: Credits Low-Income Housing: Farmworker Housing
Estee Sepulveda, Legislative Analyst, provided the Committee with a report on Assembly Bill (AB) 10 which would annually increase the state’s allocation of the Low Income Housing Tax credit (LIHTC) program by \$500 million and increase the set-aside for farmworker housing from \$500,000 to \$25 million.

A MOTION was made (Wapner) to APPROVE the SUPPORT position on AB 10.

The MOTION was SECONDED (Viegas-Walker) and APPROVED by a majority vote. A roll-call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

AYES: Clark, Hagman, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, Mitchell, Mulvihill, Ramirez, Richardson, Saleh, Viegas-Walker, Wapner (12).

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

4. AB 11 (Chiu) – Community Redevelopment Law of 2019
Ms. Sepulveda provided the Committee with a report on Assembly Bill (AB) 11. The bill would create another tax increment financing tool, similar to Redevelopment programs dissolved in 2012, to allow cities and counties to fund affordable housing and infrastructure projects. Questions from Committee members focused on how practical the new tool would be for cities to utilize.

A MOTION was made (Wapner) to APPROVE the SUPPORT position on AB 11 with or without the amendment. The MOTION was SECONDED (Hagman) and APPROVED by a majority vote. A roll-call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

AYES: Clark, Hagman, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, Mitchell, Mulvihill, Ramirez, Richardson, Saleh, Viegas-Walker, Wapner (12).

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

5. AB 1568 (McCarty) – General Plans: Housing Element: Production Report: Withholding of Transportation Funds

A MOTION was made (Wapner) to APPROVE the OPPOSE position on AB 1568. The MOTION was SECONDED (Clark) and APPROVED by a majority vote. A roll-call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

AYES: Clark, Hagman, Lorimore, Manos, Marquez, Mitchell, Mulvihill, Ramirez, Richardson, Saleh, Viegas-Walker, Wapner (12).

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

6. SB 5 (Beall and McGuire) – Local-State Sustainable Investment Incentive Program

Melvin Sanchez, Legislative Aide, provided the Committee with a report on Senate Bill (SB) 5. The bill sets up a statewide program to partner with local jurisdictions for the construction of affordable housing through a shift in Education Revenue Augmentation Funds (ERAF).

A MOTION was made (Ramirez) to APPROVE the SUPPORT position on SB 5. The MOTION was SECONDED (Marquez) and APPROVED by a majority vote. A roll-call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

AYES: Clark, Lorimore, Marquez, Mitchell, Mulvihill, Ramirez, Richardson, Saleh, Viegas-Walker, Wapner (10).

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

7. SB 128 (Beall) – Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts: Bonds: Issuance

Ms. Sepulveda provided the committee with a report on Senate Bill (SB) 128. The bill would remove the public vote requirement for bonds issued by an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District (EIFD).

A MOTION was made (Mitchell) to APPROVE the SUPPORT position on SB 128. The MOTION was SECONDED (Mulvihill) and APPROVED by a majority vote. A roll-call vote was taken and recorded as follows:

AYES: Clark, Marquez, Mitchell, Mulvihill, Ramirez, Richardson, Saleh, Viegas-Walker, Wapner (9).

NOES: Lorimore (1).

ABSTAIN: None

INFORMATION ITEMS

8. Communications Update

Margaret de Larios, Public Affairs Specialist, provided the Committee with an update on current media efforts with regards to the Mobility Go Zone and Pricing Feasibility Study that SCAG plans to release at the end of March, in addition to raising awareness among local leaders on Enhanced Infrastructure Financing Districts.

9. Policy and Public Affairs Division Update

Art Yoon, Director of Policy and Public Affairs, began by congratulating Hon. Don Wagner on his election to the Orange County Board of Supervisors. Mr. Yoon also provided the committee with a recap on the California Transportation Congressional reception held in Washington D.C. Mr. Yoon finished his remarks by mentioning District 44 Regional Council election results and highlighting the work of staff leading up to the 2019 General Assembly in May.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no future agenda items presented.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Lorimore adjourned the meeting at 9:15 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at SCAG's offices at 900 Wilshire Blvd., Ste. 1700, Los Angeles, CA 90017.

REVIEWED BY:



Art Yoon, Director of Policy and Public Affairs

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Agenda Item No. 2
April 16, 2019

To: Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC)
From: Melvin Sanchez; Legislative Aide; (213) 236-1850; sanchez@scag.ca.gov
Subject: Legislative Tracking Report

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Receive and File

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The Legislative Tracking Report is provided to keep the Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC) apprised of any developments related to bills in Sacramento that have a nexus to the Regional Council's positions on policies and legislative initiatives related to SCAG's core planning and policy areas. Staff will update the report constantly with emerging legislation and welcomes the Committee's input on bills it would like to follow.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports SCAG's Strategic Plan, Goal 2: Advance Southern California's policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy.

BACKGROUND:

SCAG's Legislative Tracking Report serves as a resource for the Committee to remain up-to-date on bills moving through the legislative process in Sacramento. Bills included in the tracking report have a nexus to the Regional Council's positions on policies and legislative initiatives related to SCAG's core planning and policy areas. Staff welcomes the Committee's input on bills it would like to follow throughout the legislative session.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

ATTACHMENT:

1) Legislative Tracking Report

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SCAG Legislative Tracking Report

Thursday, April 11, 2019

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Agenda Item No. 2
Attachment No. 1

AB 10 (Chiu D) Income taxes: credits low-income housing: farmworker housing.

Introduced: 12/3/2018

Status: 3/28/2019-Measure version as revised on March 27 corrected.

Location: 12/3/2018-A. REV. & TAX

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Calendar:

4/29/2019 2:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 126 ASSEMBLY REVENUE AND TAXATION, BURKE, Chair

Summary:

Would, under the law governing the taxation of insurers, the Personal Income Tax Law, and the Corporation Tax Law, for calendar years beginning in 2020, increase the aggregate housing credit dollar amount that may be allocated among low-income housing projects by an additional \$500,000,000, as specified, and would allocate to farmworker housing projects \$25,000,000 per year of that amount. The bill, under those laws, would modify the definition of applicable percentage relating to qualified low-income buildings to depend on whether the building is a new or existing building and federally subsidized, or a building that is, among other things, at least 15 years old, serving households of very low income or extremely low income, and will complete substantial rehabilitation, as specified.

History:

2018

Dec. 3 Read first time. To print.

Dec. 4 From printer. May be heard in committee January 3.

2019

Jan. 17 Referred to Coms. on H. & C.D. and REV. & TAX.

Mar. 27 Coauthors revised. From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on REV. & TAX. (Ayes 8. Noes 0.) (March 27). Re-referred to Com. on REV. & TAX.

Mar. 28 Measure version as revised on March 27 corrected.

Attachments:

[Support Letter](#)

Organization: SCAG

Position: Support

AB 11 (Chiu D) Community Redevelopment Law of 2019.

Introduced: 12/3/2018

Status: 4/10/2019-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on L. GOV. (Ayes 6. Noes 2.) (April 10). Re-referred to Com. on L. GOV.

Location: 4/10/2019-A. L. GOV.

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Calendar:

4/24/2019 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 127 ASSEMBLY LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AGUIAR-CURRY, Chair

Summary:

Current law dissolved redevelopment agencies as of February 1, 2012, and designates successor agencies to act as successor entities to the dissolved redevelopment agencies. This bill, the Community Redevelopment Law of 2019, would authorize a city or county, or two or more cities acting jointly, to propose the formation of an affordable housing and infrastructure agency by adoption of a resolution of intention that meets specified requirements, including that the resolution of intention include a passthrough provision and an override passthrough provision, as defined.

History:

2018

Dec. 3 Read first time. To print.

Dec. 4 From printer. May be heard in committee January 3.

2019

Jan. 17 Referred to Coms. on H. & C.D. and L. GOV.

Mar. 26 In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Apr. 10 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on L. GOV. (Ayes 6. Noes 2.) (April 10). Re-referred to Com. on L. GOV.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 29 (Holden D) State Highway Route 710.

Introduced: 12/3/2018

Status: 4/10/2019-From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 12. Noes 1.) (April 10).

Location: 3/25/2019-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Calendar:

4/11/2019 #40 ASSEMBLY SECOND READING FILE -- ASSEMBLY BILLS

Summary:

Current law provides that the Department of Transportation has full possession and control of all state highways and associated property. Current law designates and describes state highway routes, and also describes the state highway routes in the California freeway and expressway system, including all of Route 710 in the County of Los Angeles. This bill would remove the portion of Route 710 located north of Route 10 from the California freeway and expressway system.

History:

2018

Dec. 3 Read first time. To print.

Dec. 4 From printer. May be heard in committee January 3.

2019

Jan. 17 Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Mar. 26 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 11. Noes 0.) (March 25). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Apr. 10 From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 12. Noes 1.) (April 10).

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 40 (Ting D) Zero-emission vehicles: comprehensive strategy.

Introduced: 12/3/2018

Status: 4/8/2019-In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.

Location: 1/24/2019-A. TRANS.

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Summary:

Would, no later than January 1, 2021, require the State Air Resources Board to develop a comprehensive strategy to ensure that the sales of new motor vehicles and new light-duty trucks in the state have transitioned fully to zero-emission vehicles, as defined, by 2040, as specified.

History:

2018

Dec. 3 Read first time. To print.

Dec. 4 From printer. May be heard in committee January 3.

2019

Jan. 24 Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and NAT. RES.

Apr. 8 In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 47 (Daly D) Driver records: points: distracted driving.

Introduced: 12/3/2018

Last Amended: 1/23/2019

Status: 3/20/2019-In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.

Location: 3/11/2019-A. APPR.

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Summary:

Current law establishes that specified convictions and violations under the Vehicle Code and traffic-related incidents count as points against a driver's record for purposes of suspension or revocation of the privilege to drive and that certain other violations do not result in a violation point. Current law also generally provides that traffic convictions involving the safe operation of a motor vehicle result in a violation point. Current law provides an exemption for the electronic device violations described above from being counted as points against a driver's record for purposes of suspension or revocation of the

privilege to drive. This bill would abolish that exemption for violations occurring on or after January 1, 2021, and would expressly make those electronic device violations subject to a violation point against the driver's record.

History:

2018

Dec. 3 Read first time. To print.
Dec. 4 From printer. May be heard in committee January 3.

2019

Jan. 17 Referred to Com. on TRANS.
Jan. 23 From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on TRANS. Read second time and amended.
Jan. 24 Re-referred to Com. on TRANS.
Jan. 31 Measure version as amended on January 23 corrected.
Mar. 12 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 13. Noes 0.) (March 11). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.
Mar. 20 In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 148 (Quirk-Silva D) Regional transportation plans: sustainable communities strategies.

Introduced: 12/14/2018

Status: 1/24/2019-Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and NAT. RES.

Location: 1/24/2019-A. TRANS.

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Summary:

Current law requires certain transportation planning agencies to prepare and adopt a regional transportation plan directed at achieving a coordinated and balanced regional transportation system. Current law requires the regional transportation plan to include, if the transportation planning agency is also a metropolitan planning organization, a sustainable communities strategy. This bill would require each sustainable communities strategy to identify areas within the region sufficient to house an 8-year projection of the emergency shelter needs for the region, as specified.

History:

2018

Dec. 14 Introduced. To print.
Dec. 15 From printer. May be heard in committee January 14.

2019

Jan. 7 Read first time.
Jan. 24 Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and NAT. RES.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 185 (Grayson D) California Transportation Commission: transportation policies: joint meetings.

Introduced: 1/10/2019

Status: 2/4/2019-Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Location: 2/4/2019-A. TRANS.

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Calendar:

4/22/2019 3 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 4202 ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION, FRAZIER, Chair

Summary:

Current law creates the California Transportation Commission, with various powers and duties relative to the programming of transportation capital projects and allocation of funds to those projects pursuant to the state transportation improvement program and various other transportation funding programs. Existing law requires the commission and the State Air Resources Board to hold at least 2 joint meetings per calendar year to coordinate their implementation of transportation policies. This bill would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to participate in those joint meetings.

History:

2019

Jan. 10 Read first time. To print.
Jan. 11 From printer. May be heard in committee February 10.

Feb. 4 Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Attachments:
[Support Letter](#)

Organization: SCAG
Position: Support

AB 252 (Daly D) Department of Transportation: environmental review process: federal program.

Introduced: 1/23/2019

Status: 3/20/2019-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

Location: 3/12/2019-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:

Current federal law requires the United States Secretary of Transportation to carry out a surface transportation project delivery program, under which the participating states may assume certain responsibilities for environmental review and clearance of transportation projects that would otherwise be the responsibility of the federal government. Current law, until January 1, 2020, provides that the State of California consents to the jurisdiction of the federal courts with regard to the compliance, discharge, or enforcement of the responsibilities it assumed as a participant in the program. This bill would extend the operation of these provisions indefinitely.

History:

2019

Jan. 23 Read first time. To print.

Jan. 24 From printer. May be heard in committee February 23.

Feb. 7 Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Mar. 12 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 15. Noes 0.) (March 11). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Mar. 20 In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to suspense file.

Organization: SCAG
Position: Tracking

AB 335 (Garcia, Eduardo D) Imperial County Transportation Commission.

Introduced: 1/31/2019

Last Amended: 3/27/2019

Status: 3/28/2019-Re-referred to Com. on TRANS.

Location: 3/7/2019-A. TRANS.

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Calendar:

4/22/2019 3 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 4202 ASSEMBLY TRANSPORTATION, FRAZIER, Chair

Summary:

Current law requires the Imperial County Transportation Commission to prepare a short-range transportation plan and a specified short-range transit plan, and to administer certain transportation moneys. Current law authorizes the commission to use up to 3% of those transportation moneys for purposes of carrying out its planning and programming responsibilities. This bill would expressly limit the use of those transportation moneys to only its transportation planning and programming responsibilities. The bill would authorize the commission, in cooperation with local agencies, as defined, that elect to participate, to assist those agencies in the coordination, administration, and implementation of programs and policies.

History:

2019

Jan. 31 Read first time. To print.

Feb. 1 From printer. May be heard in committee March 3.

Mar. 7 Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Mar. 11 From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on TRANS. Read second time and amended.

Mar. 12 Re-referred to Com. on TRANS.

Mar. 27 From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on TRANS. Read second time and amended.

Mar. 28 Re-referred to Com. on TRANS.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

[AB 352](#) ([Garcia, Eduardo D](#)) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: investment plan: Transformative Climate Communities Program.

Introduced: 2/4/2019

Last Amended: 3/14/2019

Status: 4/10/2019-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.

Location: 4/10/2019-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

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Summary:

Would, beginning July 1, 2020, would require state agencies administering competitive grant programs that 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, to allow applicants from the Counties of Imperial and San Diego to include daytime population numbers in grant applications, and to prohibit grant eligibility and scoring criteria from precluding low-income communities, as defined, from applying for or being awarded a grant.

History:

2019

Feb. 4 Read first time. To print.

Feb. 5 From printer. May be heard in committee March 7.

Feb. 11 Referred to Com. on NAT. RES.

Mar. 14 From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on NAT. RES. Read second time and amended.

Mar. 18 Re-referred to Com. on NAT. RES.

Mar. 26 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 8. Noes 0.) (March 25). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Apr. 10 In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

[AB 380](#) ([Frazier D](#)) Office of the Transportation Inspector General.

Introduced: 2/5/2019

Last Amended: 3/21/2019

Status: 4/10/2019-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 7. Noes 0.) (April 10). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Location: 4/10/2019-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:

Would eliminate the Independent Office of Audits and Investigations and would instead create the Independent Office of the Transportation Inspector General in state government, as an independent office that would not be a subdivision of any other government entity, to ensure that specified state agencies and all external entities that receive state and federal transportation funds are operating efficiently, effectively, and in compliance with federal and state laws.

History:

2019

Feb. 5 Read first time. To print.

Feb. 6 From printer. May be heard in committee March 8.

Feb. 15 Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and A. & A.R.

Mar. 12 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on A. & A.R. (Ayes 14. Noes 0.) (March 11). Re-referred to Com. on A. & A.R.

Mar. 21 In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author. From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on A. & A.R. Read second time and amended.

Mar. 25 Re-referred to Com. on A. & A.R.

Apr. 10 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 7. Noes 0.) (April 10). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 738 (Mullin D) Regional housing need allocation: County of San Mateo.

Introduced: 2/19/2019

Last Amended: 3/21/2019

Status: 4/10/2019-In committee: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Location: 3/21/2019-A. H. & C.D.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:

Would, until January 31, 2031, authorize the County of San Mateo (county) or a jurisdiction within the county, if the county or the jurisdiction contributes affordable housing funds to a deed-restricted affordable housing development in another jurisdiction in the county or to a housing joint powers authority serving the county, and if certain conditions are met, including that the contributing and receiving jurisdictions are in agreement, to report, in proportion to the amount of funds contributed, the associated completed entitlements, building permits, or a certificates of occupancy on the contributing jurisdiction’s annual production report.

History:

2019

Feb. 19 Read first time. To print.

Feb. 20 From printer. May be heard in committee March 22.

Mar. 21 Referred to Coms. on H. & C.D. and L. GOV. From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on H. & C.D. Read second time and amended.

Mar. 25 Re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D.

Apr. 3 In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Apr. 10 In committee: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 847 (Grayson D) Housing: transportation-related impact fees grant program.

Introduced: 2/20/2019

Last Amended: 3/27/2019

Status: 4/1/2019-From committee: Be re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D. Re-referred. (Ayes 10. Noes 0.) (April 1). Re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D.

Location: 4/1/2019-A. H. & C.D.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Calendar:

4/24/2019 9:15 a.m. - State Capitol, Room 126 ASSEMBLY HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CHIU, Chair

Summary:

Would require the Department of Housing and Community Development , upon appropriation by the Legislature, to establish a competitive grant program to award grants to cities and counties to offset up to 100% of any transportation-related impact fees exacted upon a qualifying housing development project, as defined, by the local jurisdiction.

History:

2019

Feb. 20 Read first time. To print.

Feb. 21 From printer. May be heard in committee March 23.

Mar. 14 Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and L. GOV.

Mar. 27 From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on TRANS. Read second time and amended.

Mar. 28 Re-referred to Com. on TRANS. Re-referred to Com. on RLS. pursuant to Assembly Rule 96.

Apr. 1 From committee: Be re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D. Re-referred. (Ayes 10. Noes 0.) (April 1). Re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 854 (Mayes R) Imperial Irrigation District: retail electric service.

Introduced: 2/20/2019

Status: 3/4/2019-Referred to Com. on L. GOV.

Location: 3/4/2019-A. L. GOV.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Calendar:

4/24/2019 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 127 ASSEMBLY LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AGUIAR-CURRY, Chair

Summary:

Would require the membership of the board of directors of the Imperial Irrigation District to increase from 5 to 11 members, with the 6 additional directors meeting certain qualifications, including that each be a resident of and qualified as eligible to vote in the County of Riverside. The bill would provide for the election of the additional directors at the 2020 general district election. The bill would authorize the district board to adopt a resolution decreasing the number of directors and the divisions from which they are elected from 11 to 5 if a public utility district is formed that provides electricity outside the territory of the Imperial Irrigation District and consists of a board of directors with a majority of seats representing the County of Riverside.

History:

2019

Feb. 20 Read first time. To print.
Feb. 21 From printer. May be heard in committee March 23.
Mar. 4 Referred to Com. on L. GOV.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 1074 (Diep R) Accessory Dwelling Unit Construction Bond Act of 2020.

Introduced: 2/21/2019

Status: 4/10/2019-In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.

Location: 3/7/2019-A. H. & C.D.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:

Would enact the Accessory Dwelling Unit Construction Bond Act of 2020 (bond act), which, if adopted, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$500,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance the Accessory Dwelling Unit Construction Program, established as part of the bond act. The bill would authorize the Department of Housing and Community Development to enter into a contract under that program with a homeowner to provide financing to pay for the eligible costs incurred by the homeowner in constructing an accessory dwelling unit on the homeowner's property, subject to specified terms and conditions.

History:

2019

Feb. 21 Read first time. To print.
Feb. 22 From printer. May be heard in committee March 24.
Mar. 7 Referred to Coms. on H. & C.D. and L. GOV.
Apr. 10 In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.

AB 1142 (Friedman D) Regional transportation plans.

Introduced: 2/21/2019

Last Amended: 4/1/2019

Status: 4/10/2019-Read second time. Ordered to Consent Calendar.

Location: 4/9/2019-A. CONSENT CALENDAR

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Calendar:

4/11/2019 #191 ASSEMBLY CONSENT CALENDAR 1ST DAY-ASSEMBLY BILLS

Summary:

Current law requires a regional transportation plan to include a policy element, an action element, a financial element, and, if the transportation planning agency is also a metropolitan planning organization, a sustainable communities strategy. Under current law, the policy element describes the transportation issues in the region, identifies and quantifies regional needs, and describes the desired short-range and long-range transportation goals, as well as pragmatic objective and policy statements. Current law authorizes the policy element of transportation planning agencies with populations that exceed 200,000 persons to quantify a set of specified indicators. This bill would authorize the inclusion of an additional indicator regarding measures of policies to increase use of existing transit.

History:

2019

Feb. 21 Read first time. To print.
Feb. 22 From printer. May be heard in committee March 24.

Mar. 7 Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Apr. 1 From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on TRANS. Read second time and amended.

Apr. 2 Re-referred to Com. on TRANS.

Apr. 9 From committee: Do pass. To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 15. Noes 0.) (April 8).

Apr. 10 Read second time. Ordered to Consent Calendar.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 1197 (Santiago D) California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: local and regional housing projects and emergency shelters.

Introduced: 2/21/2019

Last Amended: 3/21/2019

Status: 3/25/2019-Re-referred to Com. on NAT. RES.

Location: 3/21/2019-A. NAT. RES.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chapters
1st House				2nd House							

Calendar:

4/22/2019 2:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 447 ASSEMBLY NATURAL RESOURCES, FRIEDMAN, Chair

Summary:

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of, an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. This bill would exclude from the term "project" local or regional housing projects that meet certain requirements, as specified, and emergency shelters funded by state programs and would thereby exempt those projects from CEQA.

History:

2019

Feb. 21 Read first time. To print.

Feb. 22 From printer. May be heard in committee March 24.

Mar. 21 Referred to Coms. on NAT. RES. and H. & C.D. From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on NAT. RES. Read second time and amended.

Mar. 25 Re-referred to Com. on NAT. RES.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 1244 (Fong R) Environmental quality: judicial review: housing projects.

Introduced: 2/21/2019

Status: 3/11/2019-Referred to Coms. on NAT. RES. and H. & C.D.

Location: 3/11/2019-A. NAT. RES.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chapters
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Summary:

Would, in an action or proceeding seeking judicial review under the California Environmental Quality Act, prohibit a court from staying or enjoining a housing project for which an environmental impact report has been certified, unless the court makes specified findings.

History:

2019

Feb. 21 Read first time. To print.

Feb. 22 From printer. May be heard in committee March 24.

Mar. 11 Referred to Coms. on NAT. RES. and H. & C.D.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 1279 (Bloom D) Planning and zoning: housing development: high-resource areas.

Introduced: 2/21/2019

Status: 4/10/2019-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on L. GOV. (Ayes 6. Noes 1.) (April

10). Re-referred to Com. on L. GOV.

Location: 4/10/2019-A. L. GOV.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Calendar:

4/24/2019 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 127 ASSEMBLY LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AGUIAR-CURRY, Chair

Summary:

Would require the department to designate areas in this state as high-resource areas, as provided, by January 1, 2021, and every 5 years thereafter. The bill would authorize a city or county to appeal the designation of an area within its jurisdiction as a high-resource area during that 5-year period. In any area designated as a high-resource area, the bill would require that a housing development project be a use by right, upon the request of a developer, in any high-resource area designated pursuant to be a use by right in certain parts of the high-resource area if those projects meet specified requirements, including specified affordability requirements. For certain development projects where the initial sales price or initial rent exceeds the affordable housing cost or affordable rent to households with incomes equal to or less than 100% of the area median income, the bill would require the applicant agree to pay a fee equal to 10% of the difference between the actual initial sales price or initial rent and the sales price or rent that would be affordable, as provided. The bill would require the city or county to deposit the fee into a separate fund reserved for the construction or preservation of housing with an affordable housing cost or affordable rent to households with a household income less than 50% of the area median income. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

History:

2019

Feb. 21 Read first time. To print.

Feb. 22 From printer. May be heard in committee March 24.

Mar. 11 Referred to Coms. on H. & C.D. and NAT. RES.

Mar. 21 Re-referred to Com. on RLS. pursuant to Assembly Rule 96.

Mar. 25 From committee: Be re-referred to Coms. on H. & C.D. and L. GOV. (Ayes 12. Noes 0.) (March 25). Re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D.

Apr. 10 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on L. GOV. (Ayes 6. Noes 1.) (April 10). Re-referred to Com. on L. GOV.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 1402 (Petrie-Norris D) Active Transportation Program.

Introduced: 2/22/2019

Last Amended: 3/26/2019

Status: 3/27/2019-Re-referred to Com. on TRANS.

Location: 3/25/2019-A. TRANS.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:

Would require the Department of Transportation, instead of the California Transportation Commission, to award funds to projects in the statewide and small urban and rural region distribution categories and to adopt a program of projects for those distribution categories. The bill would require that 75% of available funds be awarded to MPO's in urban areas with populations greater than 200,000, in proportion to their relative share of the population, 15% to small urban and rural regions with populations of 200,000 or less, competitively awarded by the department to projects in those regions, and 10% to projects competitively awarded by the department, in consultation with the commission, on a statewide basis.

History:

2019

Feb. 22 Introduced. To print.

Feb. 23 From printer. May be heard in committee March 25.

Feb. 25 Read first time.

Mar. 25 Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Mar. 26 From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on TRANS. Read second time and amended.

Mar. 27 Re-referred to Com. on TRANS.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

AB 1568 (McCarty D) Housing law compliance: prohibition on applying for state grants.

Introduced: 2/22/2019

Last Amended: 4/8/2019

Status: 4/10/2019-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Location: 3/14/2019-A. H. & C.D.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:

The Housing Element Law, prescribes requirements for the preparation of the housing element, including a requirement that a planning agency submit a draft of the element or draft amendment to the element to the Department of Housing and Community Development prior to the adoption of the element or amendment to the element. Current law requires the department to review the draft and report its written findings, as specified. Current law also requires the department, in its written findings, to determine whether the draft substantially complies with the Housing Element Law. This bill would authorize the city or county to submit evidence that the city or county is no longer in violation of state law to the department and to request the department to issue a finding that the city or county is no longer in violation of state law.

History:

2019

Feb. 22 Introduced. To print.

Feb. 23 From printer. May be heard in committee March 25.

Feb. 25 Read first time.

Mar. 14 Referred to Coms. on H. & C.D. and TRANS.

Apr. 1 From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on H. & C.D. Read second time and amended.

Apr. 2 Re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D.

Apr. 8 From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on H. & C.D. Read second time and amended.

Apr. 9 Re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D.

Apr. 10 In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Attachments:

[Oppose Letter](#)

Organization: SCAG

Position: Oppose

AB 1730 (Gonzalez D) Regional transportation plans: San Diego Association of Governments: housing.

Introduced: 2/22/2019

Last Amended: 3/28/2019

Status: 4/1/2019-Re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D.

Location: 3/28/2019-A. H. & C.D.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Calendar:

4/24/2019 9:15 a.m. - State Capitol, Room 126 ASSEMBLY HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, CHIU, Chair

Summary:

Current law requires each transportation planning agency to adopt and submit to the California Transportation Commission and the Department of Transportation an updated regional transportation plan every four or five years, as specified. This bill would require the updated regional transportation plan, sustainable communities strategy, and environmental impact report adopted by SANDAG on October 9, 2015, to remain in effect for all purposes until SANDAG adopts its next update to its regional transportation plan, which the bill would require it to adopt and submit on or before December 31, 2021.

History:

2019

Feb. 22 Introduced. To print.

Feb. 23 From printer. May be heard in committee March 25.

Feb. 25 Read first time.

Mar. 28 Referred to Coms. on H. & C.D. and L. GOV. From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on H. & C.D. Read second time and amended.

Apr. 1 Re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

ACA 1 (Aguiar-Curry D) Local government financing: affordable housing and public infrastructure: voter approval.

Introduced: 12/3/2018

Last Amended: 3/18/2019

Status: 3/28/2019-Coauthors revised. From committee: Be adopted, and re-refer to Com. on APPR. Re-referred. (Ayes 5. Noes 2.) (March 27). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Location: 3/27/2019-A. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:

The California Constitution prohibits the ad valorem tax rate on real property from exceeding 1% of the full cash value of the property, subject to certain exceptions. This measure would create an additional exception to the 1% limit that would authorize a city, county, city and county, or special district to levy an ad valorem tax to service bonded indebtedness incurred to fund the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of public infrastructure, affordable housing, or permanent supportive housing, or the acquisition or lease of real property for those purposes, if the proposition proposing that tax is approved by 55% of the voters of the city, county, or city and county, as applicable, and the proposition includes specified accountability requirements.

History:

2018

Dec. 3 Read first time. To print.

Dec. 4 From printer. May be heard in committee January 3.

2019

Mar. 18 Referred to Coms. on L. GOV. and APPR. From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on L. GOV. Read second time and amended.

Mar. 19 Re-referred to Com. on L. GOV.

Mar. 28 Coauthors revised. From committee: Be adopted, and re-refer to Com. on APPR. Re-referred. (Ayes 5. Noes 2.) (March 27). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

SB 5 (Beall D) Affordable Housing and Community Development Investment Program.

Introduced: 12/3/2018

Last Amended: 4/8/2019

Status: 4/8/2019-Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Location: 4/2/2019-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Calendar:

4/22/2019 10 a.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203) SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, PORTANTINO, Chair

Summary:

Would establish in state government the Affordable Housing and Community Development Investment Program, which would be administered by the Affordable Housing and Community Development Investment Committee. The bill would authorize a city, county, city and county, joint powers agency, enhanced infrastructure financing district, affordable housing authority, community revitalization and investment authority, transit village development district, or a combination of those entities, to apply to the Affordable Housing and Community Development Investment Committee to participate in the program and would authorize the committee to approve or deny plans for projects meeting specific criteria.

History:

2018

Dec. 3 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.

Dec. 4 From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 3.

2019

Jan. 24 Referred to Coms. on GOV. & F. and HOUSING.

Mar. 6 Set for hearing March 20.

Mar. 18 From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on GOV. & F.

Mar. 20 March 20 set for first hearing. Reconsideration of favorable vote granted. From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on HOUSING. (Ayes 6. Noes 0. Page 384.) (March 20).

Mar. 21 Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on HOUSING.
 Mar. 26 Set for hearing April 2.
 Apr. 4 From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 9. Noes 1.) (April 2).
 Apr. 8 Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Attachments:
[Support Letter](#)

Organization: SCAG
Position: Support

SB 6 (Beall D) Residential development: available land.

Introduced: 12/3/2018

Last Amended: 2/27/2019

Status: 4/9/2019-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To consent calendar. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (April 9). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Location: 4/9/2019-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
1st House				2nd House							

Calendar:

4/22/2019 10 a.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203) SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, PORTANTINO, Chair

Summary:

Would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to furnish the Department of General Services with a list of local lands suitable and available for residential development as identified by a local government as part of the housing element of its general plan. The bill would require the Department of General Services to create a database of that information and information regarding state lands determined or declared excess and to make this database available and searchable by the public by means of a link on its internet website.

History:

2018

Dec. 3 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.

Dec. 4 From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 3.

2019

Jan. 16 Referred to Com. on RLS.

Feb. 27 From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on RLS.

Mar. 7 Re-referred to Coms. on HOUSING and G.O.

Mar. 15 Set for hearing April 2.

Apr. 3 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on G.O. with recommendation: To consent calendar. (Ayes 11. Noes 0.) (April 2). Re-referred to Com. on G.O.

Apr. 5 Set for hearing April 9.

Apr. 9 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To consent calendar. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (April 9). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Organization: SCAG
Position: Tracking

SB 13 (Wieckowski D) Accessory dwelling units.

Introduced: 12/3/2018

Last Amended: 4/4/2019

Status: 4/10/2019-VOTE: Do pass as amended, but first amend, and re-refer to the Committee on [Appropriations]

Location: 4/10/2019-S. APPR.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:

Current law requires accessory dwelling units to comply with specified standards, including that the accessory dwelling unit is either attached to, or located within, the proposed or existing primary dwelling or detached if located within the same lot, and that it does not exceed a specified amount of total area of floor space. This bill would, instead, authorize the creation of accessory dwelling units in areas zoned to allow single-family or multifamily dwelling use.

History:

2018

Dec. 3 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.

Dec. 4 From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 3.

2019

Jan. 16 Referred to Com. on RLS.

Mar. 11 From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on RLS.

Mar. 20 Re-referred to Coms. on HOUSING and GOV. & F.

Mar. 26 Set for hearing April 2.

Apr. 3 From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on GOV. & F. (Ayes 10. Noes 0.) (April 2).

Apr. 4 Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on GOV. & F.

Apr. 5 Set for hearing April 10.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

SB 44 (Skinner D) Medium-duty and heavy-duty vehicles: comprehensive strategy.

Introduced: 12/3/2018

Last Amended: 3/21/2019

Status: 4/10/2019-From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on TRANS. (Ayes 5. Noes 2.) (April 10).

Location: 4/10/2019-S. TRANS.

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Calendar:

4/11/2019 #4 SENATE SENATE BILLS - SECOND READING FILE

Summary:

Would require the State Air Resources Board, no later than January 1, 2021, to develop a comprehensive strategy for the deployment of medium-duty and heavy-duty vehicles in the state that results in bringing the state into compliance with federal ambient air quality standards, a reduction of motor vehicle greenhouse gas emissions by 40% by 2030, and a reduction of motor vehicle greenhouse gas emissions by 80% by 2050, as specified.

History:

2018

Dec. 3 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.

Dec. 4 From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 3.

2019

Jan. 16 Referred to Com. on RLS.

Mar. 7 From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on RLS.

Mar. 20 Re-referred to Coms. on EQ. and TRANS.

Mar. 21 From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on EQ.

Mar. 26 Set for hearing April 10.

Apr. 10 From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on TRANS. (Ayes 5. Noes 2.) (April 10).

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

SB 50 (Wiener D) Planning and zoning: housing development: incentives.

Introduced: 12/3/2018

Last Amended: 3/11/2019

Status: 4/4/2019-Set for hearing April 24.

Location: 4/2/2019-S. GOV. & F.

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Calendar:

4/24/2019 9 a.m. - Room 112 SENATE GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE SPECIAL ORDER, MCGUIRE, Chair

Summary:

Would require a city, county, or city and county to grant upon request an equitable communities incentive when a development proponent seeks and agrees to construct a residential development, as defined, that satisfies specified criteria, including, among other things, that the residential development is either a job-rich housing project or a transit-rich housing project, as those terms are defined; the site does not contain, or has not contained, housing occupied by tenants or accommodations

withdrawn from rent or lease in accordance with specified law within specified time periods; and the residential development complies with specified additional requirements under existing law.

History:

2018

Dec. 3 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.

Dec. 4 From printer. May be acted upon on or after January 3.

2019

Jan. 24 Referred to Coms. on HOUSING and GOV. & F.

Mar. 11 From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on HOUSING.

Mar. 19 Set for hearing April 2.

Mar. 26 Set for hearing April 2.

Apr. 3 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on GOV. & F. (Ayes 9. Noes 1.) (April 2). Re-referred to Com. on GOV. & F.

Apr. 4 Set for hearing April 24.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

SB 127 (Wiener D) Transportation funding: active transportation: complete streets.

Introduced: 1/10/2019

Status: 4/10/2019-Set for hearing April 23.

Location: 1/24/2019-S. TRANS.

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Calendar:

4/23/2019 1:30 p.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203) SENATE TRANSPORTATION, BEALL, Chair

Summary:

Would establish a Division of Active Transportation within the Department of Transportation and require that an undersecretary of the Transportation Agency be assigned to give attention to active transportation program matters to guide progress toward meeting the department's active transportation program goals and objectives. The bill would require the California Transportation Commission to give high priority to increasing safety for pedestrians and bicyclists and to the implementation of bicycle and pedestrian facilities.

History:

2019

Jan. 10 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.

Jan. 11 From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 10.

Jan. 24 Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Apr. 10 Set for hearing April 23.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

SB 128 (Beall D) Enhanced infrastructure financing districts: bonds: issuance.

Introduced: 1/10/2019

Last Amended: 3/21/2019

Status: 3/28/2019-Read third time. Passed. (Ayes 24. Noes 7.) Ordered to the Assembly. In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

Location: 3/28/2019-A. DESK

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Summary:

Current law authorizes the legislative body of a city or a county to establish an enhanced infrastructure financing district, with a governing body referred to as a public financing authority, to finance public capital facilities or other specified projects of communitywide significance. Current law requires a public financing authority to adopt an infrastructure financing plan and hold a public hearing on the plan, as specified. Current law authorizes the public financing authority to issue bonds for these purposes upon approval by 55% of the voters voting on a proposal to issue the bonds. Current law requires the proposal submitted to the voters by the public financing authority and the resolution for the issuance of bonds following approval by the voters to include specified information regarding the bond issuance. This bill would instead authorize the public financing authority to issue bonds for these purposes without submitting a proposal to the voters.

History:

2019

Jan. 10 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
Jan. 11 From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 10.
Jan. 24 Referred to Com. on GOV. & F.
Mar. 6 Set for hearing March 20.
Mar. 20 From committee: Do pass as amended. (Ayes 6. Noes 0. Page 384.) (March 20).
Mar. 21 Read second time and amended. Ordered to third reading.
Mar. 28 Read third time. Passed. (Ayes 24. Noes 7.) Ordered to the Assembly. In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

Attachments:
[Support Letter](#)

Organization: SCAG
Position: Support

[SB 152](#) (Beall D) Active Transportation Program.

Introduced: 1/22/2019

Last Amended: 3/20/2019

Status: 4/10/2019-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 10. Noes 1.) (April 9).
Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Location: 4/10/2019-S. APPR.

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Summary:

Would require that 75% of available funds be awarded to projects selected by MPOs in urban areas with populations greater than 200,000, with the available funds distributed to each MPO based on its relative share of the population, 15% to fund projects in small urban and rural regions, and 10% to projects of a transformative nature competitively awarded by the commission on a statewide basis. The bill would require, rather than authorize, the commission to adopt separate guidelines for the MPOs to ensure that they have sufficient discretion to adopt regional guidelines.

History:

2019

Jan. 22 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
Jan. 23 From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 22.
Jan. 31 Referred to Com. on RLS.
Mar. 20 From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on RLS.
Mar. 27 Re-referred to Com. on TRANS.
Mar. 29 Set for hearing April 9.
Apr. 10 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 10. Noes 1.) (April 9). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Organization: SCAG
Position: Tracking

[SB 160](#) (Jackson D) Emergency services: cultural competence.

Introduced: 1/24/2019

Last Amended: 4/2/2019

Status: 4/9/2019-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (April 9).
Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Location: 4/9/2019-S. APPR.

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Calendar:

4/22/2019 10 a.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203) SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, PORTANTINO, Chair

Summary:

Would require a county to integrate cultural competence, as defined, into its emergency plan, upon the next update to its emergency plan, as specified. The bill would also require a county to provide a forum for community engagement in geographically diverse locations in order to engage with culturally diverse communities, as defined, within its jurisdiction. By increasing the duties of local officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

History:

2019

Jan. 24 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
 Jan. 25 From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 24.
 Feb. 6 Referred to Com. on G.O.
 Mar. 8 Set for hearing March 26.
 Mar. 18 March 26 set for first hearing canceled at the request of author.
 Mar. 22 Set for hearing April 9.
 Apr. 2 From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on G.O.
 Apr. 9 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (April 9). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Organization: SCAG
Position: Tracking

SB 168 (Wieckowski D) Climate change: Chief Climate Resilience Officer.

Introduced: 1/28/2019

Last Amended: 3/25/2019

Status: 4/10/2019-From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 7. Noes 2.) (April 9).

Location: 4/9/2019-S. APPR.

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Calendar:

4/11/2019 #1 SENATE SENATE BILLS - SECOND READING FILE

Summary:

Would establish the Chief Climate Resilience Officer in the Office of Planning and Research to serve as the statewide lead for planning and coordination of climate adaptation policy and implementation in California, and would specify the duties of the chief officer. The bill would make the chief officer, or the chief officer's designee, a member of the advisory council and would designate the chief officer, or the chief officer's designee, as the chair of the advisory council.

History:

2019

Jan. 28 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
 Jan. 29 From printer. May be acted upon on or after February 28.
 Feb. 6 Referred to Coms. on EQ. and N.R. & W.
 Feb. 12 Set for hearing March 20.
 Mar. 21 From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on N.R. & W. (Ayes 5. Noes 2. Page 383.) (March 20).
 Mar. 25 Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on N.R. & W.
 Mar. 26 Set for hearing April 9.
 Apr. 10 From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 7. Noes 2.) (April 9).

Attachments:

[Support and Amend Letter](#)

Organization: SCAG
Position: Support and Amend

SB 197 (Beall D) Department of Transportation: retention proceeds.

Introduced: 1/31/2019

Status: 4/9/2019-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

Location: 4/9/2019-S. THIRD READING

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Calendar:

4/11/2019 #25 SENATE SENATE BILLS -THIRD READING FILE

Summary:

Current law prohibits the Department of Transportation, until January 1, 2020, from withholding retention proceeds when making progress payments for work performed by a contractor. This bill would delete the repeal of this provision, thereby making the prohibition operative indefinitely.

History:

2019

Jan. 31 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
 Feb. 1 From printer. May be acted upon on or after March 3.
 Feb. 13 Referred to Com. on TRANS.

Mar. 19 Set for hearing March 26.
 Mar. 26 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. with recommendation: To consent calendar. (Ayes 12. Noes 0. Page 441.) (March 26). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.
 Mar. 29 Set for hearing April 8.
 Apr. 8 From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 6. Noes 0.) (April 8).
 Apr. 9 Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

Organization: SCAG
Position: Tracking

SB 307 (Roth D) Water conveyance: use of facility with unused capacity.

Introduced: 2/15/2019
Status: 4/9/2019-Action From N.R. & W.: Do pass as amended.To APPR..
Location: 4/9/2019-S. APPR.

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Summary:

Current law prohibits the state or a regional or local public agency from denying a bona fide transferor of water from using a water conveyance facility that has unused capacity for the period of time for which that capacity is available, if fair compensation is paid for that use and other requirements are met. This bill would, notwithstanding that provision, prohibit a transferor of water from using a water conveyance facility that has unused capacity to transfer water from a groundwater basin underlying desert lands, as defined, that is in the vicinity of specified federal lands or state lands to outside of the groundwater basin unless the State Lands Commission, in consultation with the Department of Fish and Wildlife, finds that the transfer of the water will not adversely affect the natural or cultural resources of those federal and state lands.

History:

2019

Feb. 15 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
 Feb. 19 From printer. May be acted upon on or after March 21.
 Feb. 28 Referred to Com. on N.R. & W.
 Mar. 13 Set for hearing March 26.
 Mar. 25 March 26 hearing postponed by committee.
 Mar. 26 Set for hearing April 9.

Attachments:

[Oppose Letter](#)

Organization: SCAG
Position: Oppose

SB 526 (Allen D) Regional transportation plans: greenhouse gas emissions: State Mobility Action Plan for Healthy Communities.

Introduced: 2/21/2019
Status: 4/9/2019-VOTE: Do pass as amended, but first amend, and re-refer to the Committee on [Housing]
Location: 4/9/2019-S. HOUSING

Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:

Current law requires the State Air Resources Board, by September 1, 2018, and every 4 years thereafter, to prepare a report that assesses progress made by each metropolitan planning organization in meeting the regional greenhouse gas emission reduction targets set by the state board. Under current law, the action element of a regional transportation plan describes the programs and actions necessary to implement the plan and assigns implementation responsibilities. This bill would require the state board to adopt a regulation that requires a metropolitan planning organization to provide any data that the state board determines is necessary to fulfill the requirements of the above-described report and to determine if the metropolitan planning organization is on track to meet its 2035 greenhouse gas emission reduction target. After completing each report, the bill would require the state board to determine if each metropolitan planning organization is on track to meet its 2035 target and to notify the California Transportation Commission of these determinations.

History:

2019

Feb. 21 Introduced. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.
 Feb. 22 From printer. May be acted upon on or after March 24.

Mar. 7 Referred to Coms. on EQ., TRANS., and HOUSING.

Mar. 8 Set for hearing April 3.

Apr. 3 From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on TRANS. (Ayes 5. Noes 2.) (April 3). Re-referred to Com. on TRANS.

Apr. 5 Set for hearing April 9.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

SB 732 (Allen D) Transactions and use tax: South Coast Air Quality Management District.

Introduced: 2/22/2019

Last Amended: 3/27/2019

Status: 4/4/2019-Set for hearing April 24.

Location: 4/3/2019-S. GOV. & F.

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Calendar:

4/24/2019 9 a.m. - Room 112 SENATE GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE, MCGUIRE, Chair

Summary:

Would authorize the south coast district board to impose a transactions and use tax within the boundaries of the south coast district, as specified, with the moneys generated from the transactions and use tax to be used to supplement existing revenues being used for south coast district purposes, as specified.(2)This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the South Coast Air Quality Management District.

History:

2019

Feb. 22 Introduced. To Com. on RLS. for assignment. To print.

Feb. 25 From printer. May be acted upon on or after March 27. Read first time.

Mar. 14 Referred to Com. on RLS.

Mar. 27 From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on RLS.

Apr. 3 Re-referred to Com. on GOV. & F.

Apr. 4 Set for hearing April 24.

Organization: SCAG

Position: Tracking

Total Measures: 37

Total Tracking Forms: 37

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Agenda Item No. 3
April 16, 2019

To: Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC)
From: Estee Sepulveda; Legislative Analyst; (213) 236-1864; Sepulveda@scag.ca.gov
Subject: AB 252 (Daly, Frazier) – Department of Transportation: Environmental Review Process: Federal Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Support

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Since 2007, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has participated in a program called the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Assignment where states like California assume certain NEPA responsibilities over transportation projects. Current law only allows Caltrans to participate in this program until January 1, 2020. Assembly Bill (AB) 252 would remove the sunset giving indefinite consent to Caltrans to continue with this program. Caltrans reports significant reductions in environmental document processing times. Staff recommends that the Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC) forward a “support” position recommendation to the Regional Council on AB 252.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports SCAG’s Strategic Plan, Goal 2: Advance Southern California’s policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy.

BACKGROUND:

The United States Department of Transportation (US DOT) has historically assumed the role of NEPA decision maker in the delivery of transportation projects. In 2005, federal legislation established a pilot program, known as NEPA Assignment, which delegated NEPA decision-making authority to California and four other states. In 2012, NEPA Assignment was made permanent by the “Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act” (MAP-21). Participating states may assume federal responsibilities for NEPA actions as long as the states also assume associated risks, including responding to citizen lawsuits filed in federal court.

Since 2007, California has participated in the NEPA Assignment program. According to Caltrans, NEPA Assignment has significantly reduced environmental document processing times and greatly accelerated transportation project delivery. For example, Caltrans reports that there has been a median time savings of 10.7 months in approving draft Environmental Assessment (EA) documents and 11.5 months for final EAs. It also reports a nearly 23-month time savings in finalizing draft Environmental Impact Statements (EISs).

AB 252

Introduced by Assembly Members Tom Daly (D-Anaheim) and Jim Frazier (D-Fairfield) on January 23, 2019, AB 252 would indefinitely extend the ability for California to assume responsibility for federal environmental review and approval of transportation projects under NEPA.

AB 252 passed on a unanimous, bipartisan vote of 15-0 from the Assembly Transportation Committee on March 11, 2019. The bill is now in the Assembly Appropriations Committee where a hearing has not yet been scheduled.

Support

- Self Help Counties Coalition (sponsor)
- California Transportation Commission
- California State Association of Counties (CSAC)
- California Association of Councils of Government (CALCOG)
- League of California Cities
- Professional Engineers in CA Government
- City of San Diego
- Orange County Transportation Authority
- Ventura County Transportation Commission
- CA American Council of Engineering Companies
- Metropolitan Transportation Commission
- Association of Bay Area Governments

Opposition

- None

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends a support position for AB 252 consistent with Regional Council-adopted policy and legislative priorities to support measures that expedite and streamline both project development and delivery. Participating in NEPA Assignment removes a layer of bureaucracy in the review of environmental documents, thereby decreasing the time required for approvals while maintaining NEPA protections for California's natural resources and environment. In addition to expediting state projects undertaken by Caltrans, these improvements facilitate the completion of local projects that include federal funding and require NEPA review. Given the passage of Senate Bill 1 and influx of new transportation funding, it is even more crucial that California uses these funds efficiently and quickly.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Letter of support from the California State Association of Counties (CSAC).



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**RE: AB 252 (Daly and Frazier): Caltrans: environmental review: federal program
As Introduced on January 23, 2019 – SUPPORT
Set for hearing in Assembly Appropriations Committee March 20, 2019**

Dear Assembly Members Gonzalez:

The California State Association of Counties (CSAC) strongly supports AB 252, which would repeal the sunset date for the State of California's limited waiver of sovereign immunity, which is necessary to allow the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to continue its assumption of National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) responsibilities. The NEPA Assignment program was made permanent by the "Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act" (MAP-21).

To assume federal responsibilities under the NEPA Assignment program, Caltrans was required to accept the jurisdiction of the federal courts, necessitating the limited waiver of sovereign immunity. The program streamlines the process for approving transportation projects by allowing Caltrans to assume the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) responsibility for approvals and consultations under NEPA and other federal laws, and requires Caltrans to comply with all FHWA NEPA regulations, environmental policies and formal guidance. The program removes a layer of bureaucracy in the review of environmental documents, thereby decreasing the time required for approvals while maintaining NEPA protections for California's natural resources and environment.

The NEPA assignment program has allowed Caltrans to achieve time savings in preparing and approving both routine environmental documents as well as full Environmental Impact Statements that require regulatory coordination with federal agencies. In addition to expediting state projects undertaken by Caltrans, these improvements facilitate the completion of local projects that include federal funding and require NEPA review.

For these reasons, CSAC strongly supports AB 252. If you need additional information about our position, please contact me at 916.650.8180 or clee@counties.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chitzy".

Christopher Lee
Legislative Representative

cc: Honorable Tom Daly, California State Assembly
Honorable Jim Fraizer, California State Assembly
Honorable Members and Consultants, Assembly Appropriations Committee

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Agenda Item No. 4
April 16, 2019

To: Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC)
From: Estee Sepulveda; Legislative Analyst; (213) 236-1864; Sepulveda@scag.ca.gov
Subject: AB 1093 (Rubio) – Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems: Financial Capability Analysis

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Support

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The federal Clean Water Act requires local governments to obtain permits to operate local stormwater systems, which discharge into streams, rivers, lakes, or the ocean. In California, the permits are issued by the state or regional water boards and require that local governments reduce pollutants in accordance with strict compliance schedules. Assembly Bill (AB) 1093 would require the State Water Board to establish Financial Capability Assessment (FCA) guidelines for cities and counties required to comply with the Clean Water Act, the purpose of which would help local governments assess stormwater compliance costs. Staff recommends that the Legislative/Communications and Membership Committee (LCMC) forward a “support” position recommendation to the Regional Council on AB 1093.

STRATEGIC PLAN:

This item supports SCAG’s Strategic Plan, Goal 2: Advance Southern California’s policy interests and planning priorities through regional, statewide, and national engagement and advocacy.

BACKGROUND:

To curb the harmful effects of pollution from stormwater runoff, federal law requires states to set restrictions on the pollutants that can be discharged into water bodies and requires local governments to obtain storm sewer permits. The Clean Water Act provides the state and regional water boards with the authority and framework for regulating storm water discharges under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permitting Program. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) delegates its NPDES Permitting Program to states. The permitting program regulates stormwater discharges from three potential sources, including municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s).

According to the most recent estimate by the EPA, the nation’s wastewater treatment facilities will need \$271 billion over the next 20 years to meet the water quality objectives of the Clean Water Act. In 2012, the Los Angeles Regional Water Board issued a new MS4 stormwater permit, which some consider the strictest permit standards with more than 30 pollutants being monitored. The total cost of compliance with the MS4 permit for the County of Los Angeles exceeds \$20 billion making compliance costs by Southern California cities among the most expensive in the nation. When imposing stormwater requirements, the state and regional water boards lack consistent information on the costs that local governments incur in complying with storm water requirements.

In 2018, Assembly Member Rubio authored AB 2538, legislation that also would have required the State Water Board to establish FCA guidelines for MS4 permittees that are adequate and consistent when considering the costs to local jurisdictions. AB 2538 passed the Assembly and Senate’s respective environmental quality and appropriations committees and received consideration by the entire assembly and senate chambers, all while receiving only one “no” vote. Ultimately, AB 2538 was vetoed by then Governor Jerry Brown. In his veto message on September 28, 2018, Governor Brown said “The State Water Board is currently working on guidelines to assist local agencies in estimating and tracking the costs of compliance with their storm water permits.” Guidelines to this effect, however, have not been released.

AB 1093

Introduced by Assembly Member Blanca Rubio (D-Baldwin Park) on February 21, 2019, AB 1093 would require the State Water Board to establish FCA guidelines for MS4 permit holders that are adequate and consistent when considering the costs to local jurisdictions. As with previous versions of the bill, AB 1093’s FCA does not alter or waive water quality standards, but can assist communities in setting achievable schedules for water quality objectives.

AB 1093 was heard in the Assembly Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials on April 9, 2019 where it was unanimously passed out of committee on a vote of 9-0. The measure was referred to the Assembly Committee on Appropriations where a hearing has not yet been scheduled.

Support

- Association of California Water Agencies
- Los Angeles County Division, League of California Cities
- San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments

Opposition

- None

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends a support position for AB 1093 consistent with Regional Council-adopted policy and legislative priorities to support efforts that reduce the expense of transportation improvement projects by controlling the escalating costs associated with stormwater runoff requirements. Most cities do not have a dedicated revenue source for stormwater management and these costs compete with other public services like law enforcement, fire, and road maintenance, which are supported by the general fund. AB 1093 aims to assist city and county governments striving to comply with rigorous and expensive state and federal stormwater regulations.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

ATTACHMENT(S):

None