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2015 Legislative Wrap-Up

Dear Commissioners:

October 11, 2015 marked the deadline for the Governor to act on 2015 legislation. Of the 2,772 bills introduced in this session, 1,084 were chaptered, 133 were vetoed, and the remaining 1,555 were either carried over or suspended.

In 2015, CALAFCO sponsored two bills and supported a number of others, several of which are summarized below.

CALAFCO Sponsored Bills

- **AB 851** (Mayes) *Disincorporations* - Chaptered

This bill provides long overdue legislative updates relating to the disincorporation of cities.

- **AB 1532** (Committee on Local Government) *Cortese Knox Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act* (CKH Act) - Chaptered

This is the annual CALAFCO omnibus bill which provides technical changes, clarifications and corrections to the CKH.

Other CALAFCO Priority Bills

- **AB 402** (Dodd) *Local Agency Services – Contracts* - Chaptered

This bill creates a five-year pilot opportunity for Napa and San Bernardino LAFCOs authorizing these LAFCOs to approve new or extended services outside existing jurisdictional boundaries and outside existing SOIs to support existing or planned uses involving public or private properties based on specific findings.

- **AB 448** (Brown) *Property Tax Revenue Allocations – Vehicle License Fee (VLF) Adjustments* – Held Under Submission

This bill would modify the existing reduction and transfer provisions for FY 2015-16 and going forward by providing for a VLF adjustment amount calculated on the basis of changes in assessed value, including an annexed area. CALAFCO is on record supporting this bill.

- **AB 3** (Williams) *Isla Vista Community Services District (CSD)* – Chaptered

This bill authorizes the formation of the Isla Vista CSD through an application by the County Board of Supervisors and a subsequent vote, and bypassing the LAFCO process. CALAFCO is on record opposing this bill.

- **AB 25** (Roth) *Property Tax Revenue Allocations – Vehicle License Fee (VLF) Adjustments* – Vetoed by the Governor

This bill would modify specified reduction and transfer provisions for a city incorporating after January 1, 2004, and on or before January 1, 2012, for FY 2014-15 and thereafter, by providing for a VLF adjustment amount calculated on the basis of changes in assessed value. CALAFCO is on record supporting this bill.

- **SB 88** – (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) – *Water* – Chaptered

This bill authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) to order consolidation of water systems, including public and private systems and individual wells within a disadvantaged community. The bill requires that the SWRCB consult with and fully consider input from the relevant LAFCO. CALAFCO is on record opposing this bill.

- **SB 239** (Hertzberg) *Local Services: Contracts: Fire Protection Services* - Chaptered

This bill contains special provisions relating to out of agency fire service and sets several significant precedents. CALAFCO initially opposed this bill, then, after a number of amendments, issued a “no position.”

- **SB 272** (Hertzberg) – *California Public Records Act; Local Agencies: Inventory* - Chaptered

This bill requires public agencies, including LAFCOs, to make available to the public a catalogue of “enterprise systems” as defined in the statute. This is an unfunded State mandate.

- **AB 115** (Committee on Budget) *Water* – Ordered to Inactive File

This bill is the same as SB 88 (see above)

- **SB 552** (Wolk) *Public Water Systems: Disadvantaged Communities: Consolidation or extension of Service* – Failed Deadline

This bill modifies the definition of “disadvantaged community” for the purpose of providing water.

CALAFCO has an active legislative program that serves as a resource to Senate and Assembly committees; represents the interests of LAFCOs in Sacramento; and reviews, comments on and pursues legislation on behalf of LAFCOs statewide.

The Legislative Committee kicked off the 2016 legislative year on November 6th with a conference call to make introductions, establish committee expectations, adopt a meeting schedule, and conduct an initial overview of proposals received to date. The first face-to-face CALAFCO Legislative Committee meeting will be on December 11th in Sacramento. Commission McGill and your Executive Officer serve on the CALAFCO Legislative Committee and will continue to keep the Commission updated throughout the year.

RECOMMENDATION

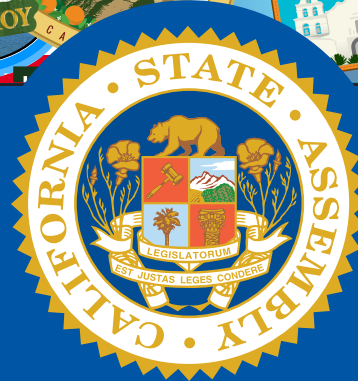
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Sincerely,

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Attachment 1 – 2015 Legislative Year Bill Summary
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ASSEMBLY LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE 2015 LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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November 1, 2015

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

The start of the 2015-16 Legislative Session was a busy one for the Assembly Local Government Committee. Because of the large number of Assembly Members and Senators with local government backgrounds, interest in local government issues remained high.

Enclosed is a summary of bills introduced during the first year of the 2015-16 Legislative Session that were referred to the Assembly Local Government Committee. The summary includes a brief description and status of all bills, divided into the following categories: Elections; Governance; Health Care Districts and Health Authorities; Housing; Land Use; Local Agency Formation Commissions; Local Government Contracting and Procurement; Joint Exercise of Powers; Local Government Finance; Open Meetings, Public Records Act, Conflict of Interest, Privacy and Open Data; Powers and Duties; Public Safety; Public Trust Lands; Redevelopment and Post-Redevelopment; Transportation and Transit Districts; and Water.

For quick and easy reference, please see the table of contents in the front of this document or the index located at the end. Bills marked with an asterisk (*) were amended and subsequently utilized as vehicles for other bill proposals, some of which stayed within the Committee's jurisdiction. Additional information regarding this summary can be obtained through the Assembly Local Government Committee office at (916) 319-3958.

Sincerely,



Brian Maienschein, Chair

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AB 278 (R. Hernández) District-based municipal elections.

Would require general law cities with a population of 100,000 or more to elect members of the city council by district. **Status:** *Referred to Senate Elections and Constitutional Amendments Committee.*

AB 910 (Harper) Political Reform Act of 1974: local enforcement.

Would expand an authorization currently granted only to San Bernardino County by allowing any city or county to enter into an agreement with the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) for the FPPC to administer and enforce a local campaign finance ordinance. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Committees on Elections and Redistricting and Local Government.*

AB 1083 (Eggman) Political Reform Act of 1974: local enforcement.

Allows the City of Stockton to enter into an agreement with the FPPC to administer and enforce the City's local campaign finance ordinance.

Status: Chapter 186, Statutes of 2015

SB 493 (Cannella) Elections in cities: by or from districts.

Allows a city with less than 100,000 people to adopt an ordinance requiring the city council to be elected by district without being required to submit the ordinance to the voters for approval.

Status: Chapter 735, Statutes of 2015

GOVERNANCE

AB 3 (Williams) Isla Vista Community Services District.

Establishes the formation process, boundaries, services, and governing body for the Isla Vista Community Services District.

Status: Chapter 548, Statutes of 2015

AB 386 (Dahle) Tulelake Irrigation District.

Would make changes to the qualifications for voters and directors in the Tulelake Irrigation District, and would require voters to be landowners instead of registered voters in the District.

Status: *Referred to Assembly Local Government Committee.*

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

AB 738 (B. Gaines) Sacramento Regional Transit District.

Makes changes to Sacramento Regional Transit District's boundaries and establishes a new process for the annexation and detachment of territory.

Status: Chapter 335, Statutes of 2015

AB 948 (Patterson) Local government: community service districts.

Would make changes to the qualifications for directors in the Sierra Cedars Community Services District by authorizing non-resident landowners to be a candidate for the board of directors.

Status: Referred to Assembly Local Government Committee.

AB 952 (C. Garcia) Local government: vacancies.

Provides an alternative procedure for filling a vacancy on a city council that occurs early in a council member's term.

Status: Chapter 185, Statutes of 2015

AB 1217 (Daly) Orange County Fire Authority.

Would restructure the governing board of the Orange County Fire Authority. **Status: Referred to Senate Governance and Finance Committee.**

HEALTHCARE DISTRICTS AND HEALTH AUTHORITIES

AB 1290 (Dahle) Health care districts: public contracts: design-build.

Allows the Mayers Memorial Hospital District to use the design-build contracting method for the construction of a building or improvements directly related to construction of a hospital or health facility building at the District.

Status: Chapter 34, Statutes of 2015

AB 1350 (Salas) Kern County Hospital Authority.

Makes changes to existing law which authorizes the Kern County Board of Supervisors to establish the Kern County Hospital Authority.

Status: Chapter 790, Statutes of 2015

HOUSING

AB 313 (Atkins) Enhanced infrastructure financing districts.

Clarifies procedures for replacing dwelling units that are removed or destroyed within an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District (EIFD) and makes other technical changes to EIFD law.

Status: Chapter 320, Statutes of 2015

AB 744 (Chau) Planning and zoning: density bonuses.

Requires a local government, upon the request of a developer that receives a density bonus, to reduce the minimum parking requirements for a housing development, if it meets specified criteria.

Status: Chapter 699, Statutes of 2015

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

AB 1316 (Lopez) Housing elements.

Would require local agencies to make a draft housing element or draft amendment to the housing element available to the public at least 30 days prior to submission to the Department of Housing and Community Development. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Committees on Housing and Community Development and Local Government.*

AB 1368 (Baker) Housing element: discharged military personnel.

Would require, for any discharged military service personnel who records his or her DD 214 discharge document with a county recorder's office that the person lists as his or her county or residence, that it be deemed to have produced one new housing unit for the 2014-22 regional housing needs assessment cycle, to the credit of the city or county in which the service personnel resides. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Housing and Community Development.*

AB 1403 (Maienschein) Housing: joint powers agreement.

Allows a public agency or agencies and one or more private nonprofits dedicated to providing services to homeless persons to form a joint powers agency or enter into a joint powers agreement in order to identify and provide services to the most costly, frequent users of publicly funded emergency services.

Status: **Chapter 188, Statutes of 2015**

SB 434 (Allen) Manufactured housing: vehicle license fee: property taxation.

Would require the assessor to notify the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), the legal owner, and each assessee whose manufactured home is to be placed on the local assessment role, and would require HCD to transfer a manufactured home that is subject to the vehicle license fee to local property taxation when it is found that the home has been rebuilt and is no longer mobile. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Committees on Housing and Community Development and Local Government.*

SB 441 (Leno) San Francisco redevelopment: housing.

Would allow the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco to issue bonds or incur other indebtedness to finance the affordable housing requirements of several designated projects. **Status:** *Ordered to Assembly Inactive File.*

LAND USE

AB 57 (Quirk) Telecommunications: wireless telecommunication facilities.

Requires a collocation or siting application for a wireless telecommunications facility to be deemed approved, if specified conditions are met, and applies these provisions to all counties and cities, including charter cities.

Status: **Chapter 685, Statutes of 2015**

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

AB 201 (Brough) Registered sex offenders: local ordinances.

Would allow cities and counties to adopt ordinances, rules or regulations that are more restrictive than state law regarding the ability of people who are required to register as sex offenders to reside or be present at certain locations within the city or county. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Public Safety. Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Public Safety.*

AB 451 (Bonilla) Private parking facilities.

Allows cities or counties to authorize, via ordinance or resolution, operators of privately owned and maintained off-street parking facilities to regulate unauthorized parking in their facilities. **Status:** **Chapter 168, Statutes of 2015**

AB 644 (Wood) Land use: general plan: safety element: fire hazard impacts.

Removes the requirement that a county make specified findings pursuant to the Subdivision Map Act for an area located in a state responsibility area or a very high fire hazard severity zone, in certain instances.

Status: **Chapter 402, Statutes of 2015**

AB 707 (Wood) Agricultural land: Williamson Act contracts: cancellation.

Requires the Department of Conservation to provide a preliminary valuation of Williamson Act contract land to the county assessor and the city council or board of supervisors at least 60 days before the effective date of the agreed upon cancellation valuation, if the contracted land is in a city or county that has its own cancellation fee.

Status: **Chapter 631, Statutes of 2015**

AB 744 (Chau) Planning and zoning: density bonuses.

Requires a local government, upon the request of a developer that receives a density bonus, to reduce the minimum parking requirements for a housing development, if it meets specified criteria.

Status: **Chapter 699, Statutes of 2015**

AB 747 (Eggman) Planning and land use: Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley.

Clarifies, for purposes of a project that is located within a flood hazard zone in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Valley, what types of permits can be issued by a city or county without that city or county making a specified finding about flood protection.

Status: **Chapter 152, Statutes of 2015**

AB 1119 (Rendon) Public utilities: municipal corporations: rights of way.

Provides counties with the same rights as municipal corporations regarding the legal authority to challenge a utility project owned, operated, or being constructed by a municipal corporation in or over a street or highway located in unincorporated county territory.

Status: **Chapter 670, Statutes of 2015**

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

AB 1230 (Gomez) Zoning regulations: interim ordinances. *

Would require the legislative body of a city or county to issue a written report 15 days prior to the expiration of an interim ordinance or any extension. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Local Government Committee.*

AB 1236 (Chiu) Local ordinances: electric vehicle charging stations.

Requires counties and cities, including charter cities, to create an expedited permitting and inspection process for electric vehicle charging stations.

Status: Chapter 598, Statutes of 2015

AB 1251 (Gomez) Greenway Development and Sustainment Act.

Allows for the creation of a greenway easement, which must be considered when assessing land values for the purposes of property taxation, and allows the open-space element of a general plan to include greenways.

Status: Chapter 639, Statutes of 2015

AB 1298 (Gipson) Environmental quality: City of Carson: sports stadium.

Would place requirements, for an entertainment and sports center project located in the City of Carson, on the public agency in certifying the environmental impact report and granting the approvals for the project, as specified. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Committees on Natural Resources and Local Government.*

AB 1303 (Gray) Subdivision Map Act: map expiration dates.

Provides an automatic 24-month extension for unexpired subdivision maps approved after January 1, 2000, in jurisdictions that meet specified criteria.

Status: Chapter 751, Statutes of 2015

AB 1344 (Jones) County office of education: charter schools.

Would authorize county offices of education (COEs) to render a city or county zoning ordinance inapplicable to a proposed use of property by COEs, and would require the governing board of a school district or county office to render a city or county zoning ordinance inapplicable at the request of a charter school for a charter school facility. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Committees on Education and Local Government.*

SB 379 (Jackson) Land use: general plan: safety element.

Requires cities and counties to update their safety elements to address climate adaptation and resiliency strategies.

Status: Chapter 608, Statutes of 2015

LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSIONS

AB 3 (Williams) Isla Vista Community Services District.

Establishes the formation process, boundaries, services, and governing body for the Isla Vista Community Services District.

Status: Chapter 548, Statutes of 2015

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

AB 402 (Dodd) Local agency services: contracts.
Establishes a pilot program, until January 1, 2021, for Napa and San Bernardino Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCOs) to authorize a city or district to extend services outside of boundaries for additional purposes beyond responding to a threat to public health or safety.
Status: Chapter 431, Statutes of 2015

AB 851 (Mayes) Local government: organization: disincorporations.
Makes changes to the city disincorporation process in the Cortese-Knox Hertzberg Act.
Status: Chapter 304, Statutes of 2015

AB 1532 (Local Government) Local government: omnibus.
Makes several non-controversial changes to the laws affecting local government organization and reorganization.
Status: Chapter 114, Statutes of 2015

SB 239 (Hertzberg) Local services: contracts: fire protection services.
Requires a public agency to receive approval from a LAFCO to provide new or extended fire protections services outside its jurisdictional boundaries, pursuant to a fire protection contract.
Status: Chapter 763, Statutes of 2015

LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONTRACTING AND PROCUREMENT

AB 495 (Gordon) Regional park and open-space districts: general manager: powers.
Increases, from \$25,000 to \$50,000, the amount for which the East Bay Regional Park District or the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District may enter into contracts without a formal bid process.
Status: Chapter 149, Statutes of 2015

AB 504 (Gonzalez) Local planning.
Would have authorized a city to delegate to or contract with a nonprofit public benefit corporation for the performance of ministerial planning functions, and would have required a city to retain all nonministerial planning functions.
Status: Vetoed

AB 727 (Wilk) Castaic Lake Water Agency.
Would make a number of changes to the Castaic Lake Water Agency (CLWA) Law, and to CLWA's contracting authority under the Public Contract Code. **Status: Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Utilities and Commerce.**

AB 975 (Frazier) Local Agency Public Construction Act: bid criteria. *
Would prohibit local public agencies and school districts from disqualifying prospective bidders on public works contracts based on a bidder's involvement in a claim filed by either the bidder or the project owner. **Status: In Senate Education Committee.**

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

AB 1290 (Dahle) Health care districts: public contracts: design-build.

Allows the Mayers Memorial Hospital District to use the design-build contracting method for the construction of a building or improvements directly related to construction of a hospital or health facility building at the District.

Status: Chapter 34, Statutes of 2015

AB 1315 (Alejo) Public contracts: water pollution prevention plans: delegation.

Would prohibit local agencies, including charter cities, from requiring contractors to develop, or assume responsibility for the completeness and accuracy of, plans to prevent or reduce water pollution or runoff on public works projects. **Status: In Assembly Appropriations Committee: Held under submission.**

SB 239 (Hertzberg) Local services: contracts: fire protection services.

Requires a public agency to receive approval from a LAFCO to provide new or extended fire protections services outside its jurisdictional boundaries, pursuant to a fire protection contract.

Status: Chapter 763, Statutes of 2015

SB 330 (Mendoza) Public officers: contracts: financial interest.

Would expand the definition of what constitutes a remote interest for purposes of California law governing public officials' conflicts of interest in contracting. **Status: In Senate Appropriations Committee: Held under submission.**

SB 331 (Mendoza) Public contracts: local agencies: negotiations.

Requires local agencies that have adopted a Civic Openness in Negotiations ordinance for their labor contracts to use a similar process to evaluate, negotiate, and approve specified goods or services contracts valued at \$250,000 or more.

Status: Chapter 714, Statutes of 2015

SB 374 (Hueso) Local agency design-build projects: transit districts.

Allows the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) to use the design-build procurement process for specified development projects related to transit facilities developed or jointly developed by SANDAG.

Status: Chapter 715, Statutes of 2015

SB 562 (Lara) Infrastructure financing: City of Long Beach Civic Center.

Allows the City of Long Beach to use a public-private partnership procurement method to develop a new civic center.

Status: Chapter 178, Statutes of 2015

SB 626 (McGuire) Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District: police force.

Authorizes the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District to hire a sworn peace officer and, if additional officers are needed, to contract with law enforcement agencies located within Marin or Sonoma County.

Status: Chapter 492, Statutes of 2015

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

SB 762 (Wolk) Competitive bidding: best value: pilot program: design-build.
Allows seven counties to award construction contracts valued above \$1 million on the basis of best value, until January 1, 2020.
Status: Chapter 627, Statutes of 2015

JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS

AB 656 (C. Garcia) Joint powers agreements: mutual water companies.
Allows a mutual water company and a public agency to enter into a joint powers agreement for the provision of insurance and risk-pooling.
Status: Chapter 250, Statutes of 2015

AB 1260 (Thurmond) Joint Exercise of Powers Act.
Would authorize the University of California to enter into a joint powers agreement with the City of Richmond, or an enhanced infrastructure financing district created by the City of Richmond, for financing infrastructure and other improvements within the area of the South Shoreline Specific Plan and the Berkeley Global Campus at Richmond Bay, if the agreement includes specified provisions benefitting the local community. **Status: Referred to Senate Committees on Education and Governance and Finance.**

AB 1403 (Maienschein) Housing: joint powers agreement.
Allows a public agency or agencies and one or more private, nonprofits dedicated to providing services to homeless persons to form a joint powers agency or enter into a joint powers agreement in order to identify and provide services to the most costly, frequent users of publicly funded emergency services.
Status: Chapter 188, Statutes of 2015

SB 710 (Galgiani) Joint exercise of powers.
Would authorize California joint powers authorities to issue bonds and enter into loan agreements to finance or refinance projects located outside this state. **Status: Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Revenue and Taxation.**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE

AB 237 (Daly) Local governments: parcel taxes: notice.
Would require local agencies to provide specified notification to property owners before the adoption of any new parcel tax. **Status: In Assembly Appropriations Committee: Held under submission.**

AB 283 (Dababneh) Financial affairs.
Extends the sunset date on the authority granted to local agencies to use a private sector deposit placement service to invest up to 30% of surplus funds into deposits other than certificates of deposits, and removes the cap on funds that may be invested in any single private sector deposit placement service.
Status: Chapter 181, Statutes of 2015

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

AB 338 (R. Hernández) Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority: transactions and use tax.

Would authorize the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, subject to voter approval, to impose an additional transactions and use tax at a rate of 0.5% for a period not to exceed 30 years. **Status:** *Referred to Senate Committees on Transportation and Housing and Governance and Finance.*

AB 341 (Achadjian) Financial affairs: reports.

Extends the amount of time for local agencies to report financial information to the State Controller for the publication of local financial transactions.

Status: **Chapter 37, Statutes of 2015**

AB 422 (McCarty) Sacramento Regional Transit District: line of credit.

Enables Sacramento Regional Transit District to obtain a short-term revolving line of credit for operating purposes.

Status: **Chapter 328, Statutes of 2015**

AB 440 (Alejo) Local government finance: property tax revenue allocations: County of San Benito.

Would address past property tax apportionment factors in San Benito County. **Status:** *In Assembly Appropriations Committee: Held under submission.*

AB 448 (Brown) Local government finance: property tax revenue allocations: vehicle license fee adjustments.

Would modify the formulas for calculating annual vehicle license fee adjustment amounts to include the assessed property valuation within inhabited territory annexed to cities. **Status:** *In Senate Appropriations Committee: Held under submission.*

AB 464 (Mullin) Transactions and use taxes: maximum combined rate.

Would have increased the countywide transactions and use tax combined rate from 2% to 3%, statewide.

Status: **Vetoed**

AB 514 (Williams) Ordinances: violations: administrative fines.

Would have allowed counties to assess larger administrative fines for violations of county ordinances that govern building and safety, brush removal, grading, film permitting, and zoning.

Status: **Vetoed**

AB 661 (Mathis) Counties: recording: real estate instruments.

Clarifies an exemption in current law from fees that counties can place on certain recorded real estate documents to fund real estate fraud prevention and enforcement.

Status: **Chapter 76, Statutes of 2015**

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

AB 746 (Ting) **San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority.**
Extends the sunset date from January 1, 2029, to January 1, 2049, for statutes governing the San Francisco Bay Restoration Authority and specifies that the Authority may incur general obligation indebtedness for specified purposes.
Status: Chapter 226, Statutes of 2015

AB 896 (Wagner) **Counties: search or rescue: costs.**
Allows counties to seek reimbursement from residents age 16 or older for search or rescue costs under specified conditions.
Status: Chapter 436, Statutes of 2015

AB 1105 (Daly) **Subdivided lands: release of performance security.**
Would repeal the sunset date in the statute governing the timeframe and procedures for releasing subdivision performance securities. **Status: Referred to Senate Governance and Finance Committee.**

AB 1127 (Cooley) **Domestic and family violence: Sacramento County.**
Would allow Sacramento County to increase fees by up to \$4 for certified copies of marriage certificates, birth certificates, fetal death records, and death records to fund domestic and family violence prevention, intervention, and prosecution. **Status: Referred to Senate Committees on Governance and Finance and Judiciary.**

AB 1191 (Nazarian) **Quimby Act: fees.**
Allows the City of Los Angeles to spend proceeds from accrued interest on fee revenues collected pursuant to the Quimby Act for specified purposes.
Status: Chapter 276, Statutes of 2015

AB 1220 (Harper) **Transient occupancy taxes: residential short-term rental units.**
Would prohibit a legislative body of a local agency from levying a tax on the privilege of occupying a residential short-term rental unit. **Status: Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Revenue and Taxation.**

AB 1362 (Gordon) **Local government: assessments, fees, and charges: stormwater definition.**
Would add a definition for stormwater to the California Constitution. **Status: Referred to Local Government Committee.**

AB 1455 (Rodriguez) **Ontario International Airport.**
Would allow the City of Ontario to issue revenue bonds for the purpose of financing the acquisition of the Ontario International Airport from the City of Los Angeles, and would place specified worker retention provisions on the successor agency that acquires the Ontario Airport. **Status: In Senate Governance and Finance Committee.**

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

AB 1502 (Brown) State government assistance to cities.

Would require a state agency or department, within 30 days of a request, to provide any assistance, information, data, and services to a city participating in a neutral evaluation process or a bankruptcy proceeding. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Local Government Committee.*

SB 25 (Roth) Local government finance: property tax revenue allocation: vehicle license fee adjustments.

Would have provided a city incorporating after January 1, 2004, and on or before January 1, 2012, with property tax in lieu of vehicle license fees.

Status: **Vetoed**

SB 181 (Governance and Finance) Validations.

Validates the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state government, counties, cities, special districts, and school districts, among other public bodies.

Status: **Chapter 4, Statutes of 2015**

SB 182 (Governance and Finance) Validations.

Validates the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state government, counties, cities, special districts, and school districts, among other public bodies.

Status: **Chapter 256, Statutes of 2015**

SB 183 (Governance and Finance) Validations.

Validates the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state government, counties, cities, special districts, and school districts, among other public bodies.

Status: **Chapter 45, Statutes of 2015**

SB 188 (Hancock) Municipal utility district: utility charges: delinquencies.

Makes permanent provisions of law that authorize a municipal utility district to file a lien on real property for unpaid water and sewer utility charges rendered to a lessee, tenant, or subtenant, which may be collected on the tax roll in the same manner as property taxes.

Status: **Chapter 270, Statutes of 2015**

SB 222 (Block) Local agencies: school bonds: general obligation bonds: statutory lien.

Enacts a statutory lien to secure general obligation bonds issued or sold by a city, county, city and county, school district, community college district, authority, or special district.

Status: **Chapter 78, Statutes of 2015**

SB 434 (Allen) Manufactured housing: vehicle license fee: property taxation.

Would require the assessor to notify the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), the legal owner, and each assessee whose manufactured home is to be placed on the local assessment role, and would require HCD to transfer a manufactured home that is subject to the vehicle license fee to local property taxation when it is found that the home has been rebuilt and is no longer mobile. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Committees on Housing and Community Development and Local Government.*

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

SB 477 (Leyva) Property tax postponement: mobilehomes.

Would authorize qualified mobilehome owners to apply to the State Controller to defer payment of property taxes through the Senior Citizens and Disabled Citizens Property Tax Postponement Program. **Status:** *In Assembly Appropriations Committee: Held in committee under submission.*

SB 533 (Pan) Cities and counties: sales and use tax agreements.

Revises and recasts existing law which prohibits a local agency from entering into an agreement that would result in the payment, transfer, diversion, or rebate of Bradley-Burns local tax proceeds to a retailer if the agreement results in a reduction of revenue that is received by another local agency.

Status: Chapter 717, Statutes of 2015

SB 602 (Monning) Seismic safety: California Earthquake Authority.

Would authorize the California Earthquake Authority to enter into voluntary contractual assessments with property owners to finance the instillation of seismic strengthening improvements. **Status:** *Re-referred to Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

SB 705 (Hill) Transactions and use taxes: County of San Mateo: Transportation Agency for Monterey County.

Allows San Mateo and Marin Counties to impose a transactions and use tax at a specified amount for the support of countywide transportation programs that would, in combination with other taxes, exceed the statutory limit of 2%.

Status: Chapter 579, Statutes of 2015

SB 710 (Galgiani) Joint exercise of powers.

Would authorize California joint powers authorities to issue bonds and enter into loan agreements to finance or refinance projects located outside this state. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Revenue and Taxation.*

SB 711 (Wolk) Law libraries.

Authorizes a county law library to impose charges for special services, including electronic delivery, other delivery services, educational programs, special events, and the provision of supplies or food services, and defines, for purposes of the law related to the California State Library, the term "public library" to include any county law library, as specified.

Status: Chapter 318, Statutes of 2015

SB 767 (De Leon) Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority: transactions and use tax.

Authorizes the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, subject to voter approval, to impose an additional transactions and use tax.

Status: Chapter 580, Statutes of 2015

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

SB 789 (Wieckowski) Sale of water by local public entities: excise tax.

Would authorize a local public entity that supplies water at retail or wholesale to impose an excise tax on an excessive user of water at a specified rate, subject to two-thirds voter approval, and would require the revenue to be equally distributed between the local public entity and the State Water Resources Control Board. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Revenue and Taxation. In Local Government Committee: Heard for testimony only.*

OPEN MEETINGS, PUBLIC RECORDS ACT, CONFLICT OF INTEREST, PRIVACY AND OPEN DATA

AB 36 (Campos) Local government: federal surplus property.

Would have prohibited local agencies, except local law enforcement agencies that are directly under the control of an elected officer, from applying to receive specified surplus military equipment from the federal government, unless the legislative body of the local agency approves the acquisition at a regular meeting held pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act.

Status: **Vetoed**

AB 169 (Maienschein) Local government: public records: Internet.

Requires local agencies to use specified open data standards if they maintain an Internet Resource that is described or titled as "open data" and if they choose to post public records on that Internet Resource.

Status: **Chapter 737, Statutes of 2015**

AB 241 (Gordon) Bankruptcy: retired employees: disclosure of names and mailing addresses.

Would require a local public entity to provide the name and mailing address of each retired employee to an organization representing retired employees of the local public entity, in specified instances leading up to and when a local public entity files for bankruptcy. **Status:** *In Assembly Appropriations Committee.*

AB 951 (Wilk) Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District.

Requires all regular and special meetings of the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District (SCVSD), where decisions are being made upon policy items relating to a total maximum daily load of any pollutant, to be held within the boundaries of the SCVSD.

Status: **Chapter 342, Statutes of 2015**

AB 1284 (Baker) Bay Area state-owned toll bridges: Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee.

Requires the Toll Bridge Project Oversight Committee to be subject to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.

Status: **Chapter 172, Statutes of 2015**

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

SB 272 (Hertzberg) The California Public Records Act: local agencies: inventory.
Requires cities, counties, special districts, and joint powers authorities, by July 2016, to create a catalogue of their enterprise systems and make the catalog available to the public, including on the agency's Web site.
Status: Chapter 795, Statutes of 2015

SB 330 (Mendoza) Public officers: contracts: financial interest.
Would expand the definition of what constitutes a remote interest for purposes of California law governing public officials' conflicts of interest in contracting. **Status: In Assembly Appropriations Committee: Held under submission.**

SB 331 (Mendoza) Public contracts: local agencies: negotiations.
Requires local agencies that have adopted a Civic Openness in Negotiations ordinance for their labor contracts to use a similar process to evaluate, negotiate, and approve specified goods or services contracts valued at \$250,000 or more.
Status: Chapter 714, Statutes of 2015

SB 741 (Hill) Mobile communications: privacy.
Requires local agencies to publicly approve the acquisition of cellular communications interception technology (CCIT), requires local agencies to develop and release a usage and privacy policy for CCIT, and provides for civil remedies in the event of a violation.
Status: Chapter 659, Statutes of 2015

POWERS AND DUTIES

AB 45 (Mullin) Household hazardous waste.
Would require jurisdictions that provide for the residential collection and disposal of solid waste to increase the collection and diversion of household hazardous waste. **Status: In Assembly Appropriations Committee.**

AB 189 (Bloom) Arts Council: cultural districts.
Requires the California Arts Council to establish criteria and guidelines for state-designated cultural districts, and defines state-designated cultural districts.
Status: Chapter 396, Statutes of 2015

AB 285 (Gallagher) Legal assistants. *
Would make minor changes to the laws governing the registration of legal document assistants.
Status: In Senate Judiciary Committee.

AB 347 (Chang) Local agencies: city selection committees: County of Los Angeles.
Requires specified city council members to serve as the voting member of the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee when a mayor or the mayor's designated member is unable to attend a meeting.
Status: Chapter 361, Statutes of 2015

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

AB 385 (Chu) **Solid waste facilities: Newby Island Landfill: stakeholder group.**
Would require the Bay Area Air Quality Management District to establish a South Bay Odor Stakeholder Group and to hold a public meeting, at least once every six months to discuss issues related to odors emanating from the Newby Island Landfill, as well as odors from other locations around the landfill, and specifies the membership of the Group. **Status:** *In Senate Environmental Quality Committee.*

AB 541 (Dahle) **Big Valley Watermaster District Act.**
Would create the Big Valley Watermaster District and establish the boundaries, governing body, and powers and duties of the District. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Local Government Committee.*

AB 568 (Dodd) **Reclamation District No. 108: hydroelectric power.**
Authorizes Reclamation District No. 108, until January 1, 2021, to generate and sell hydroelectric power.
Status: **Chapter 134, Statutes of 2015**

AB 630 (Linder) **Public officers and employees: oath of office.**
Allows a county board of supervisors to require the filing of a new oath of office, in specified instances.
Status: **Chapter 365, Statutes of 2015**

AB 679 (Allen) **Documents: recordation. ***
Would require county recorders to endorse the number of pages upon any document presented for recording, and would remove a requirement that county recorders note on the record the name of the person requesting a document to be recorded. **Status:** *Ordered to Senate Inactive File.*

AB 718 (Chu) **Local government: powers.**
Would prohibit a city, county, or city and county from prohibiting or otherwise subjecting to civil or criminal penalties the act of sleeping or resting in a lawfully parked motor vehicle.
Status: *Ordered to Senate Inactive File.*

AB 778 (Maienschein) **Fees: military service records.**
Allows county recorders to provide certified copies of military discharge documents when those documents are requested in writing or via fax or digitized image.
Status: **Chapter 84, Statutes of 2015**

AB 783 (Daly) **Cities: legislative bodies: subpoena power. ***
Would allow a city attorney to attest a subpoena that has been signed by a mayor. **Status:** *Referred to Senate Committee on Governance and Finance.*

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

AB 823 (Bigelow) Counties: ordinances.

Allows counties to post on their Web sites proposed and adopted ordinances as an alternative to posting a copy of the full text of the ordinance in the office of the clerk of the board of supervisors.

Status: Chapter 39, Statutes of 2015

AB 951 (Wilk) Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District.

Requires all regular and special meetings of the Santa Clarita Valley Sanitation District (SCVSD), where decisions are being made upon policy items relating to a total maximum daily load of any pollutant, to be held within the boundaries of the SCVSD.

Status: Chapter 342, Statutes of 2015

ACR 93 (Holden) Fire safety: municipal ordinances.

Encourages all California municipalities to reexamine regulations surrounding mandatory fire suppression ordinances.

Status: Res. Chapter 173, Statutes of 2015

SB 184 (Governance and Finance) Local government: omnibus bill.

Enacts the Local Government Omnibus Bill of 2015, which proposes a number of non-controversial changes to existing laws governing the powers and duties of local agencies.

Status: Chapter 269, Statutes of 2015

SB 188 (Hancock) Municipal utility district: utility charges: delinquencies.

Makes permanent provisions of law that authorize a municipal utility district to file a lien on real property for unpaid water and sewer utility charges rendered to a lessee, tenant, or subtenant, which may be collected on the tax roll in the same manner as property taxes.

Status: Chapter 270, Statutes of 2015

SB 422 (Monning) Santa Clara Valley Open-Space Authority.

Makes changes to the Santa Clara County Open-Space Authority Act and authorizes the Authority to acquire real and personal property outside its boundaries.

Status: Chapter 99, Statutes of 2015

SB 481 (Hueso) Local government: auditors independence.

Would have prohibited the general counsel of a local government from having direct oversight over that local government's auditors.

Status: Vetoed

SB 485 (Hernández) County of Los Angeles: sanitation districts.

Authorizes the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts to acquire, construct, operate, maintain, and furnish facilities to divert, manage, and treat stormwater and dry weather runoff.

Status: Chapter 678, Statutes of 2015

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

PUBLIC SAFETY

AB 36 (Campos) Local government: federal surplus property.

Would have prohibited local agencies, except local law enforcement agencies that are directly under the control of an elected officer, from applying to receive specified surplus military equipment from the federal government, unless the legislative body of the local agency approves the acquisition at a regular meeting held pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act.

Status: Vetoed

AB 201 (Brough) Registered sex offenders: local ordinances.

Would allow cities and counties to adopt ordinances, rules or regulations that are more restrictive than state law regarding the ability of people who are required to register as sex offenders to reside or be present at certain locations within the city or county. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Public Safety. Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Public Safety.*

AB 896 (Wagner) Counties: search or rescue: costs.

Allows counties to seek reimbursement from residents age 16 or older for search or rescue costs under specified conditions.

Status: Chapter 436, Statutes of 2015

AB 1127 (Cooley) Domestic and family violence: Sacramento County.

Would allow Sacramento County to increase fees by up to \$4 for certified copies of marriage certificates, birth certificates, fetal death records, and death records to fund domestic and family violence prevention, intervention, and prosecution. **Status:** *Referred to Senate Committees on Governance and Finance and Judiciary.*

PUBLIC TRUST LANDS

SB 141 (McGuire) Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation, and Conservation District Act: land grants, acquisitions, and dispositions.

Clarifies that the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation, and Conservation District is authorized to sell or transfer certain property, and makes several other changes to the District's Act.

Status: Chapter 231, Statutes of 2015

SB 399 (Hall) Tidelands and submerged lands: City of Los Angeles.

Increases the maximum allowable term for franchises, permits, and leases for the City of Los Angeles' granted tidelands and submerged lands from 50 years to 66 years.

Status: Chapter 450, Statutes of 2015

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

REDEVELOPMENT AND POST-REDEVELOPMENT

AB 2 (Alejo) Community revitalization authority.

Authorizes local entities, either individually or collaboratively to form a Community Revitalization and Investment Authority (CRIA) and allows participating entities to agree to direct property tax increment revenues to the CRIA to invest in improvements in specified project areas that are characterized by low household income, high unemployment and crime, and deteriorated public infrastructure and structures.

Status: Chapter 319, Statutes of 2015

AB 204 (O'Donnell) Redevelopment: County of Los Angeles.

Would prohibit oversight boards in Los Angeles County from being consolidated into a single countywide oversight board unless a successor agency adopts a resolution dissolving the board.

Status: Ordered to Senate Inactive File.

AB 313 (Atkins) Enhanced infrastructure financing districts.

Clarifies procedures for replacing dwelling units that are removed or destroyed within an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District (EIFD) and makes other technical changes to EIFD law.

Status: Chapter 320, Statutes of 2015

AB 654 (Brown) Redevelopment: revenues from property tax override rates.

Would prohibit a county auditor from allocating revenues derived from a property tax rate approved by voters in a city, county, or special district to the Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund, to pay for the State Water Project, except as specified. **Status: In Assembly Appropriations Committee: Held under submission.**

AB 712 (Mullin) Redevelopment: successor agencies: Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule.

Would revise the timeline, commencing July 1, 2016, for the preparation of the required Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule to provide that the successor agency prepare a schedule for a 12-month fiscal period, with the first of these periods beginning July 1, 2016.

Status: Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Housing and Community Development.

AB 806 (Dodd) Redevelopment: successor agencies to redevelopment agencies. *

Would make various changes to provisions of law governing former redevelopment agencies.

Status: In Senate Committee on Governance and Finance: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

AB 974 (Bloom) Redevelopment dissolution: housing projects: bond proceeds.

Would allow successor agencies greater flexibility for bond obligation proceeds issued between January 1, 2011, and June 28, 2011, under specified conditions. **Status: Ordered to Senate Inactive File.**

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

AB 1009 (C. Garcia) Local government: redevelopment: revenues from property tax override rates.

Would enact provisions that would allow revenues from a voter-approved pension property tax to be allocated to the city or county whose voters approved the tax, under specified conditions.

Status: *In Assembly Appropriations Committee: Held under submission.*

AB 1079 (Obernolte) Successor agencies: due diligence review: finding of completion.

Would provide that the requirements of a due diligence review have been satisfied if specified conditions with respect to a transfer of assets are met, and would provide in that event, that the successor agency is entitled to a finding of completion by the Department of Finance.

Status: *Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Housing and Community Development.*

AB 1080 (Obernolte) Redevelopment: enforceable obligations: military base reuse.

Would authorize the Department of Finance to find that an agreement between a former redevelopment agency and a joint powers authority that was created to exercise the powers provided by the Military Base Reuse Authority Act is an enforceable obligation.

Status: *Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Housing and Community Development.*

AB 1412 (Perea) Redevelopment: successor agencies to redevelopment agencies.

Would have allowed for an expedited repayment schedule of an outstanding loan agreement entered into between a former redevelopment agency and the City of San Joaquin, under specified conditions.

Status: **Vetoed**

SB 63 (Hall) Seaport infrastructure financing districts.

Allows cities and counties to create Seaport Infrastructure Financing Districts (SIFDs), and allows SIFDs to finance port or harbor infrastructure, under specified conditions.

Status: **Chapter 793, Statutes of 2015**

SB 441 (Leno) San Francisco redevelopment: housing.

Would allow the successor agency to the Redevelopment Agency of the City and County of San Francisco to issue bonds or incur other indebtedness to finance the affordable housing requirements of several designated projects. **Status:** *Ordered to Assembly Inactive File.*

TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSIT DISTRICTS

AB 338 (R. Hernández) Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority: transactions and use tax.

Would authorize the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, subject to voter approval, to impose an additional transactions and use tax at a rate of 0.5% for a period not to exceed 30 years. **Status:** *Referred to Senate Committees on Transportation and Housing and Governance and Finance.*

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AB 422 (McCarty) Sacramento Regional Transit District: line of credit.
Enables Sacramento Regional Transit District to obtain a short-term revolving line of credit for operating purposes.

Status: Chapter 328, Statutes of 2015

AB 726 (Nazarian) Vehicles: Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority.

Authorizes the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority to operate articulated buses that do not exceed 82 feet on the Orange Line in Los Angeles County.

Status: Chapter 479, Statutes of 2015

AB 738 (B. Gaines) Sacramento Regional Transit District.

Makes changes to Sacramento Regional Transit District's boundaries and establishes a new process for the annexation and detachment of territory.

Status: Chapter 335, Statutes of 2015

AB 906 (Cooper) Sacramento Regional Transit District.

Deletes the proportionate share payment in existing law that the City of Elk Grove must fulfill to maintain an appointment of a director to Sacramento Regional Transit District's Board of Directors.

Status: Chapter 339, Statutes of 2015

AB 1098 (Bloom) Transportation: congestion management.

Would make changes to the laws governing county congestion management plans. **Status:** *Referred to Assembly Committees on Transportation and Local Government.*

AB 1284 (Baker) Bay Area state-owned toll bridges: Toll Bridge Program Oversight Committee.

Requires the Toll Bridge Project Oversight Committee to be subject to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act.

Status: Chapter 172, Statutes of 2015

AB 1459 (Kim) Toll lanes: County of Orange.

Would prohibit the California Department of Transportation from seeking or providing funding for the construction of a toll lane on a public highway in Orange County unless the toll lane project is first approved by a two-thirds vote of the Orange County Transportation Authority.

Status: *Referred to Assembly Committees on Transportation and Local Government.*

SB 374 (Hueso) Local agency design-build projects: transit districts.

Allows the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) to use the design-build procurement process for specified development projects related to transit facilities developed or jointly developed by SANDAG.

Status: Chapter 715, Statutes of 2015

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SB 626 (McGuire) Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District: police force.
Authorizes the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District to hire a sworn peace officer and, if additional officers are needed, to contract with law enforcement agencies located within Marin or Sonoma County.
Status: Chapter 492, Statutes of 2015

SB 705 (Hill) Transactions and use taxes: County of San Mateo: Transportation Agency for Monterey County.
Allows San Mateo and Marin Counties to impose a transactions and use tax at a specified amount for the support of countywide transportation programs that would, in combination with other taxes, exceed the statutory limit of 2%.
Status: Chapter 579, Statutes of 2015

SB 767 (De Leon) Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority: transactions and use tax.
Authorizes the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, subject to voter approval, to impose an additional transactions and use tax.
Status: Chapter 580, Statutes of 2015

WATER

AB 1 (Brown) Drought: local governments: fines.
Prohibits a city or county from imposing a fine for a brown lawn or failure to water a lawn during a period for which the Governor has issued a state of emergency due to drought conditions.
Status: Chapter 62, Statutes of 2015

AB 541 (Dahle) Big Valley Watermaster District Act.
Would create the Big Valley Watermaster District and establish the boundaries, governing body, and powers and duties of the District. **Status: Referred to Assembly Local Government Committee.**

AB 656 (C. Garcia) Joint powers agreements: mutual water companies.
Allows a mutual water company and a public agency to enter into a joint powers agreement for the provision of insurance and risk-pooling.
Status: Chapter 250, Statutes of 2015

AB 727 (Wilk) Castaic Lake Water Agency.
Would make a number of changes to the Castaic Lake Water Agency (CLWA) Law, and to CLWA's contracting authority under the Public Contract Code. **Status: Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Utilities and Commerce.**

AB 1077 (Holden) Mutual water companies: open meetings.
Makes a number of changes to the Mutual Water Company Open Meeting Act.
Status: Chapter 669, Statutes of 2015

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

AB 1164 (Gatto) Water conservation: drought tolerant landscaping.
Prohibits cities and counties from enacting or enforcing any ordinance or regulation that prohibits the installation of drought tolerant landscaping, synthetic grass, or artificial turf on residential property.
Status: Chapter 671, Statutes of 2015

AB 1340 (Chau) Local government: sale of water utility property.
Would authorize the City of Montebello to sell its water utility, until July 1, 2017, pursuant to the process in existing law for cities to dispose of city-owned property. **Status: In Assembly Local Government Committee.**

SB 485 (Hernández) County of Los Angeles: sanitation districts.
Authorizes the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts to acquire, construct, operate, maintain, and furnish facilities to divert, manage, and treat stormwater and dry weather runoff.
Status: Chapter 678, Statutes of 2015

SB 789 (Wieckowski) Sale of water by local public entities: excise tax.
Would authorize a local public entity that supplies water at retail or wholesale to impose an excise tax on an excessive user of water at a specified rate, subject to two-thirds voter approval, and would require the revenue to be equally distributed between the local public entity and the State Water Resources Control Board. **Status: Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Revenue and Taxation. In Local Government Committee: Heard for testimony only.**

*Denotes a bill that was amended and subsequently used for another purpose.

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[AB 115](#) (Committee on Budget) Water.

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Introduced: 1/9/2015

Last Amended: 6/18/2015

Status: 9/11/2015-Ordered to inactive file at the request of Senator Mitchell.

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Summary:

Would authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to order consolidation with a receiving water system where a public water system, or a state small water system within a disadvantaged community, consistently fails to provide an adequate supply of safe drinking water. This bill would authorize the state board to order the extension of service to an area that does not have access to an adequate supply of safe drinking water so long as the extension of service is an interim extension of service in preparation for consolidation.

Position: Oppose

Subject: Disadvantaged Communities, LAFCo Administration, Special District Consolidations, Water

CALAFCO Comments: This bill is the same as SB 88. As amended, AB 115 gives the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) direct authority to mandate either an extension of service or consolidation of water systems, including public and private systems, and individual wells. The bill focuses on disadvantage communities. Prior to ordering the consolidation, the SWRCB must make certain determinations and take certain actions, including conducting a public hearing in the affected territory. They are also required to "consult with and fully consider input from the relevant LAFCo, the PUC, and either the city or county (whichever has land use authority). Entities are allowed 6 months to find workable solutions before the SWRCB mandates the action. Prior to making the order, the SWRCB must make certain determinations. Upon making the order, the SWRCB must make funding available to the receiving water system for capacity building (no operations and maintenance funding is provided, adequately compensate the subsumed system, pay fees to the LAFCo for whatever work they will do (which is as of now undefined) to facilitate the action. The bill also contains certain CEQA exemptions and liability relief for the subsuming water entity, as well as various penalties. Finally, the bill makes legislative findings and declarations as to the reason for the SWRCB to have these powers, which has been taken directly from the legislative findings and declarations of CKH and the reason LAFCos have the powers they do.

CALAFCO has attempted to work with the administration for some time in defining the best possible process for these actions. However, for the most part, amendments proposed have been dismissed. CALAFCO has a number of concerns regarding the proposed process, not the least of which is the language in section 116682 (g) (the way it is worded now, it exempts the entire consolidation process and there is a legal argument that this would divest LAFCO of any authority to complete the consolidation since that authority is solely contained in CKH). Further, we requested indemnification for LAFCo as they implement section 11682(e)(4) which was also dismissed.

[AB 402](#) (Dodd D) Local agency services: contracts.

Current Text: Chaptered: 10/2/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/19/2015

Last Amended: 8/26/2015

Status: 10/2/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 431, Statutes of 2015.

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Summary:

Would establish a pilot program, until January 1, 2021, for the Napa and San Bernardino commissions that would permit those commissions to authorize a city or district to provide new or extended services outside both its jurisdictional boundaries and its sphere of influence under specified circumstances. This bill contains other related provisions.

Position: None at this time

Subject: CKH General Procedures, LAFCo Administration, Service Reviews/Spheres

CALAFCO Comments: This bill creates a 5 year pilot opportunity for Napa and San Bernardino LAFCo Commissions to authorize an extension of services outside boundaries and spheres to support existing or planned uses pending the commission's determination that (1) a service deficiency was identified and evaluated in a MSR; AND (2) the extension of services will not result in adverse impacts on open space or ag lands or have growth inducing impacts.

CALAFCO previously considered (over an extensive period of time) amending GC §56133, and twice (in 2011 and again in 2013) the CALAFCO Board of Directors decided not to pursue those amendments. This is not a CALAFCO sponsored bill. Assembly member Dodd is a former Napa LAFCo Commissioner.

AB 448 (Brown D) Local government finance: property tax revenue allocations: vehicle license fee adjustments.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/23/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/23/2015

Status: 8/27/2015-In committee: Held under submission.

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Summary:

Current property tax law requires the county auditor, in each fiscal year, to allocate property tax revenue to local jurisdictions in accordance with specified formulas and procedures, and generally provides that each jurisdiction shall 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, and that jurisdiction's portion of the annual tax increment, as defined. This bill would modify these reduction and transfer provisions, for the 2015-16 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, by providing for a vehicle license fee adjustment amount calculated on the basis of changes in assessed valuation.

Attachments:

[CALAFCO Support Letter March 2015](#)

Position: Support

Subject: Financial Viability of Agencies, Tax Allocation

CALAFCO Comments: As introduced, this bill is identical to AB 1521 (Fox) from last year. This bill reinstates the VLF payment (through ERAF) and changes the way that the growth in the VLF adjustment amount (property tax in lieu of VLF) is calculated starting in FY 2015-16 to include the growth of assessed valuation, including in an annexed area, from FY 2004-05 to FY 2015-16. Beginning in FY 2016-17, the VLF adjustment amount would be the jurisdiction's annual change in the assessed valuation

AB 851 (Mayes R) Local government: organization: disincorporations.

Current Text: Chaptered: 9/21/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/26/2015

Last Amended: 8/18/2015

Status: 9/21/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 304, Statutes of 2015.

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Summary:

Current law authorizes a local agency which is conducting proceedings for the incorporation of a city, formation of a district, change of organization, a reorganization, a change of organization of a city, or a municipal reorganization to propose the adoption of a special tax on behalf of the affected city or district in accordance with this procedure. This bill would additionally authorize a local agency conducting proceedings for the disincorporation of a city to propose the adoption of a special tax on behalf of an affected city in accordance with the above-described procedure.

Attachments:

- [CALAFCO Letter Requesting Governor Signature](#)
- [CALAFCO Support_Mar 2015](#)

Position: Sponsor

Subject: CKH General Procedures, Disincorporation/dissolution

CALAFCO Comments: Sponsored by CALAFCO. As amended, this bill addresses the long-outdated statutes relating to disincorporation. Although many other areas of CKH have been updated over the past 52 years, the areas pertaining to disincorporations remain in their original format as written in 1963.

This bill does the following: (1) Clarifies the expectation for assignment of responsibility for debt that will continue in existence after disincorporation; (2) Establishes the parameters and requirements for the submission of the Plan for Service for a disincorporation proposal which outlines existing services, the proponent's plan for the future of those services, and whether or not a bankruptcy proceeding has been undertaken; (3) Establishes the responsibilities of LAFCOs in preparing a Comprehensive Fiscal Analysis for disincorporations, the determination of the transfer of property tax revenues previously received by the proposed disincorporating City, and the determination of the transfer of debt to a successor agency or agencies. Further, the bill retains LAFCOs existing authority to impose terms and conditions on a proposed disincorporation as well as the election requirements necessary for approval of disincorporation. The proposed disincorporation statutory changes use the incorporation provisions as a template to propose changes in the disincorporation process.

AB 1532 (Committee on Local Government) Local government: omnibus.

Current Text: Chaptered: 7/15/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 3/23/2015

Last Amended: 5/22/2015

Status: 7/15/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 114, Statutes of 2015.

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Summary:

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, requires a local agency formation commission to notify specified state agencies having oversight or regulatory responsibility over, or a contractual relationship with, a local health care district when a proposal is made for any of specified changes of organization affecting that district. This bill would update obsolete references to a "hospital" district and replace outdated references to the State Department of Health Services with references to the State Department of Public Health and the State Department of Health Care Services.

Attachments:

- [CALAFCO Letter Requesting Governor Signature](#)
- [CALAFCO Support Letter_March 2015](#)

Position: Sponsor

Subject: CKH General Procedures

CALAFCO Comments: This is the annual Omnibus bill for the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Reorganization Act of 2000. This bill makes nonsubstantive technical clean-up corrections to the Act.

SB 25 (Roth D) Local government finance: property tax revenue allocation: vehicle license fee adjustments.

Current Text: Vetoed: 9/22/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 12/1/2014

Last Amended: 8/28/2015

Status: 9/22/2015-Vetoed by the Governor

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

Would modify specified reduction and transfer provisions for a city incorporating after January 1, 2004, and on or before January 1, 2012, for the 2014-15 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, by providing for a vehicle license fee adjustment amount calculated on the basis of changes in assessed valuation. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Attachments:

[CALAFCO Letter to Governor Requesting Signature](#)

[CALAFCO Support March 2015](#)

Position: Support

Subject: Financial Viability of Agencies

CALAFCO Comments: Identical to SB 69 (Roth) from 2014, the bill calls for reinstatement of the VLF through ERAF for cities that incorporated between January 1, 2004 and January 1, 2012. There are no provisions for back payments for lost revenue, but the bill does reinstate future payments beginning in the 2014/15 year for cities that incorporated between 1-1-2004 and 1-1-2012.

SB 88 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) Water.

Current Text: Chaptered: 6/24/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 1/9/2015

Last Amended: 6/17/2015

Status: 6/24/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 27, Statutes of 2015

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Summary:

Would authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to order consolidation with a receiving water system where a public water system, or a state small water system within a disadvantaged community, consistently fails to provide an adequate supply of safe drinking water. This bill would authorize the state board to order the extension of service to an area that does not have access to an adequate supply of safe drinking water so long as the extension of service is an interim extension of service in preparation for consolidation.

Position: Oppose

Subject: Disadvantaged Communities, LAFCo Administration, Special District Consolidations, Water

CALAFCO Comments: This bill is the same as AB 115. As amended, SB 88 gives the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) direct authority to mandate either an extension of service or consolidation of water systems, including public and private systems, and individual wells. The bill focuses on disadvantage communities. Prior to ordering the consolidation, the SWRCB must make certain determinations and take certain actions, including conducting a public hearing in the affected territory. They are also required to "consult with and fully consider input from the relevant LAFCo, the PUC, and either the city or county (whichever has land use authority). Entities are allowed 6 months to find workable solutions before the SWRCB mandates the action. Prior to making the order, the SWRCB must make certain determinations. Upon making the order, the SWRCB must make funding available to the receiving water system for capacity building (no operations and maintenance funding is provided, adequately

compensate the subsumed system, pay fees to the LAFCo for whatever work they will do (which is as of now undefined) to facilitate the action. The bill also contains certain CEQA exemptions and liability relief for the subsuming water entity, as well as various penalties. Finally, the bill makes legislative findings and declarations as to the reason for the SWRCB to have these powers, which has been taken directly from the legislative findings and declarations of CKH and the reason LAFCos have the powers they do.

CALAFCO has attempted to work with the administration for some time in defining the best possible process for these actions. However, for the most part, amendments proposed have been dismissed. CALAFCO has a number of concerns regarding the proposed process, not the least of which is the language in section 116682 (g) (the way it is worded now, it exempts the entire consolidation process and there is a legal argument that this would divest LAFCO of any authority to complete the consolidation since that authority is solely contained in CKH). Further, we requested indemnification for LAFCo as they implement section 11682(e)(4) which was also dismissed.

SB 239 (Hertzberg D) Local services: contracts: fire protection services.

Current Text: Chaptered: 10/10/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/17/2015

Last Amended: 9/2/2015

Status: 10/10/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 763, Statutes of 2015.

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Summary:

Would, with certain exceptions, permit a public agency to exercise new or extended services outside the public agency's jurisdictional boundaries pursuant to a fire protection contract, as defined, only if the public agency receives written approval from the local agency formation commission in the affected county. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Attachments:

- [CALAFCO Removal of Opposition to No Position Leter](#)
- [CALAFCO OpposeLetter_April 2015](#)

Position: None at this time

Subject: CKH General Procedures, Municipal Services

CALAFCO Comments: As amended this bill sets forth requirements for the application of service extensions relating to fire protection services. The bill calls for a Fire Protection Contract to be submitted with the application. This is required for applications that (1) Transfer greater than 25% of the service area or (2) Changes the employment status of more than 25% of employees of any affected agencies. Prior to submitting the application for service extension, all affected agency employee unions must approve the request and conduct a public hearing; or, provide at least 30 days notice of the public hearing with such notice being sent to each affected public agency and all affected employee unions and shall include a copy of the proposed agreement. The bill requires contents of the Contract Plan to include: (1) Cost of providing services to be extended; (2) Cost to customers; (3) an ID of existing service providers; (4) Financing plan; (5) Alternatives to the extension; (6) Enumeration and description of services proposed; (7) level and range of services proposed; (8) Timeline for services to be provided; and (9) improvements or upgrades that would be imposed or required to provide services. Further, it requires a comprehensive Fiscal Analysis to be conducted. The bill also outlines determinations the commission must make that include the provider of services for the extension of service will build a "reasonable reserve" during the three years following the effective date of the contract.

The bill sets several precedents. First, it requires a California state agency to apply for, and request LAFCo approval prior to undertaking an action that involves the provision of services outside of a public agency's current service area under contract or agreement. Further, the >25% threshold that triggers this kind of scrutiny appears to be an arbitrary threshold with no data to support it. Next, LAFCos currently have exempted the review

and approval of contracts or agreements between two public agencies - this bill would change that provision in certain circumstances. Finally, the bill addresses only one type of service provider, which fails to address the question of why the provision of fire protection services, by contract or agreement, outside of a public agency's boundaries, requires a different level of review than other types of equally vital services or demands a heightened or weighted review from any commenter or affected agency.

Many of CALAFCO's concerns have been removed by amendments, however there are some that remain as noted above. At question for CALAFCO members is whether or not the LAFCo should be reviewing and/or approving contracts/agreements between two public agencies, which is a question for which CALAFCO has received divergent positions. As a result, CALAFCO removed our opposition and took a No Position on the bill.

SB 272 (Hertzberg D) The California Public Records Act: local agencies: inventory.

Current Text: Chaptered: 10/11/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/19/2015

Last Amended: 9/2/2015

Status: 10/11/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 795, Statutes of 2015.

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Summary:

Would require each local agency, except a local educational agency, in implementing the California Public Records Act, to create a catalog of enterprise systems, as defined, to make the catalog publicly available upon request in the office of the person or officer designated by the agency's legislative body, and to post the catalog on the local agency's Internet Web site.

Position: Watch

Subject: LAFCo Administration, Public Records Act

CALAFCO Comments: As amended, this bill requires all local agencies (including LAFCo) to create a catalogue of enterprise systems used by that agency and make that catalogue available to the public. For purposes of the bill, the author defines enterprise systems as a software application or computer system that collects, stores, exchanges, and analyzes information that the agency uses that is both: (1) is a multi-departmental system or system containing information collected about the public; AND (2) a system of record for that agency. Further, the bill defines a system of record as a system that serves as an original source of data within an agency. The bill requires certain pieces of information be disclosed including (1) Current system vendor; (2) Current system product; (3) A brief statement of the system's purpose; (4) A general description of categories, modules, or layers of data; (5) The department that serves as the system's primary custodian; (6) How frequently system data is collected; and (7) How frequently system data is updated. Excluded are 911 systems and other public safety systems.

SB 552 (Wolk D) Public water systems: disadvantaged communities: consolidation or extension of service.

Current Text: Amended: 7/7/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/26/2015

Last Amended: 7/7/2015

Status: 7/17/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was RLS. on 7/9/2015)

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Summary:

Current law, for purposes of the California Safe Drinking Water Act, defines "disadvantaged community" to mean a disadvantaged community that is in an unincorporated area or is served by a mutual water company. This bill would allow a community to be a "disadvantaged community" if the community is in a mobilehome park even if it is not in an unincorporated area or served by a mutual water company.

Position: Watch

Subject: Disadvantaged Communities, Water

CALAFCO Comments: This bill is being amended as a vehicle to clean-up the water consolidation legislation [passed through as a budget trailer bill, SB 88/AB 115.

AB 3 (Williams D) Isla Vista Community Services District.

Current Text: Chaptered: 10/7/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 12/1/2014

Last Amended: 9/9/2015

Status: 10/7/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 548, Statutes of 2015.

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

Would authorize the establishment of the Isla Vista Community Services District by requiring the Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Barbara to submit a resolution of application to the Santa Barbara County Local Agency Formation Commission, and, upon direction by the commission, place the questions of whether the district should be established and whether a utility user tax should be imposed on the ballot at the next countywide election following the completion of the review by the commission. By imposing new duties on the County of Santa Barbara, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

Attachments:

[CALAFCO Oppose Unless Amended Letter April 2015](#)

[CALAFCO Letter of Concern Dec 2014](#)

Position: Oppose unless amended

Subject: LAFCo Administration, Special District Powers

CALAFCO Comments: As amended the bill requires the Santa Barbara Board of Supervisors (BOS) on or before 1/5/16 to file a resolution of application with the Santa Barbara LAFCO to initiate a comprehensive review of the formation of the Isla Vista CSD. The LAFCO will not have the authority to make a final determination as to whether or not the CSD should be formed, but rather only make recommendations as to its formation. (This differs from the last version of the bill which did not include the LAFCO at all.) The final authority of whether or not the district shall be formed will stay with the voters. The bill requires the BOS to pay the appropriate fees for the LAFCO review and recommendations. Further, the bill requires the LAFCO to complete the review and make recommendations within 150 days of the filing of the resolution of application. Finally, because the people are voting on the establishment of the CSD, protest proceedings are being waived.

The bill also requires the BOS to place the formation question on the first ballot after LAFCO completes the review, and should the district be formed, the BOS shall then call for a vote on the funding of the district. Setting a precedent, the bill is calling for a utility user tax to fund the district, which shall be determined by 1/1/23. The bill also calls out the special governing structure of the district board, the boundaries of the proposed CSD and the authorities of the CSD.

AB 707 (Wood D) Agricultural land: Williamson Act contracts: cancellation.

Current Text: Chaptered: 10/8/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/25/2015

Last Amended: 8/24/2015

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 631, Statutes of 2015.

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

Current law provides for the procedure to cancel a contract entered into under specified

provisions of the Williamson Act, and provides that the landowner and the Department of Conservation may agree on the cancellation value of the land. This bill would require the department to provide a preliminary valuation of the land to the county assessor and the city council or board of supervisors at least 60 days prior to the effective date of the agreed upon cancellation valuation if the contract includes an additional cancellation fee, as specified.

Position: Watch

Subject: Ag Preservation - Williamson

CALAFCO Comments: As written, this bill repeals the provision that allows cancellation of the valuation of the land.

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[AB 168](#) ([Maienschein R](#)) Local government finance.

Current Text: Introduced: 1/22/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 1/22/2015

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 1/22/2015)

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Summary:

Current law requires the county auditor, in the case in which a qualifying city becomes the successor agency to a special district as a result of a merger with that district as described in a specified statute, to additionally allocate to that successor qualifying city that amount of property tax revenue that otherwise would have been allocated to that special district pursuant to general allocation requirements. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the provision pertaining to property tax revenue allocations to a qualifying city that merges with a special district.

Position: Placeholder - monitor

Subject: Tax Allocation

[AB 369](#) ([Steinorth R](#)) Local government.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/17/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/17/2015

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2015)

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Summary:

The Planning and Zoning Law establishes in each city and county a planning agency with the powers necessary to carry out the purposes of that law. Current law sets forth the Legislature's findings and declarations regarding the availability of affordable housing throughout the state. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to those findings and declarations.

Position: Placeholder - monitor

[AB 541](#) ([Dahle R](#)) Big Valley Watermaster District Act.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/23/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/23/2015

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was L. GOV. on 3/5/2015)

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Summary:

Would create a watermaster district with unspecified boundaries within the Counties of Lassen and Modoc to be known as the Big Valley Watermaster District. The bill would generally specify the powers and purposes of the district. The bill would prescribe the composition of the board of directors of the district. The bill would require the district to provide watermaster service on behalf of water right holders whose place of use under an appointed decree, as defined, is a parcel of real property within the district.

Position: Watch

Subject: LAFCo Administration, Special District Powers, Water

AB 568 (Dodd D) Reclamation District No. 108: hydroelectric power.

Current Text: Chaptered: 8/7/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/24/2015

Last Amended: 5/14/2015

Status: 8/7/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 134, Statutes of 2015.

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

Current law authorizes Reclamation District No. 1004, in conjunction with the County of Colusa, to construct, maintain, and operate a plant, transmission lines, and other necessary or appropriate facilities for the generation of hydroelectric power, as prescribed. Current law requires proceeds from the sale of electricity to be utilized to retire any time warrants issued for construction of the facilities and otherwise for the powers and purposes for which the district was formed. This bill would grant the above-described hydroelectric power authority to Reclamation District No. 108 until January 1, 2021.

Position: Watch

Subject: Special District Powers

AB 656 (Garcia, Cristina D) Joint powers agreements: mutual water companies.

Current Text: Chaptered: 9/3/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/24/2015

Last Amended: 6/22/2015

Status: 9/3/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 250, Statutes of 2015.

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

Would specifically authorize a mutual water company and a public agency to participate in joint powers agreement for the provision of insurance and risk-pooling, technical support, and other similar services for the purpose of reducing risk liability, as specified.

Position: Watch

Subject: Other

CALAFCO Comments: As amended, the bill gives the ability for a mutual water company to enter into a joint powers agreement with a public water agency for the purposes of either risk-pooling or the provision of technical support, continuing education, safety engineering, operational and managerial advisory assistance to be provided to the members of that joint powers agency.

SB 13 (Pavley D) Groundwater.

Current Text: Chaptered: 9/3/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 12/1/2014

Last Amended: 7/6/2015

Status: 9/3/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 255, Statutes of 2015.

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Summary:

Would specify that the State Water Resources Control Board is authorized to designate a high- or medium-priority basin as a probationary basin. This bill would provide a local agency or groundwater sustainability agency 90 or 180 days, as prescribed, to remedy certain deficiencies that caused the board to designate the basin as a probationary basin. This bill would authorize the board to develop an interim plan for certain probationary basins one year after the designation of the basin as a probationary basin.

Position: Watch

Subject: Water

CALAFCO Comments: While this bill has no direct affect on LAFCoS, the formation of groundwater management agencies and groundwater management is of interest, therefore CALAFCO will watch the bill.

SB 181 (Committee on Governance and Finance) Validations.

Current Text: Chaptered: 6/1/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/9/2015

Status: 6/1/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter No. 4, Statutes of 2015

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Summary:

This bill would enact the First Validating Act of 2015, which would validate the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state and counties, cities, and specified districts, agencies, and entities. This bill contains other related provisions.

Attachments:

[CALAFCO Letter of Support Mar 2015](#)

Position: Support

Subject: Other

CALAFCO Comments: One of three annual acts which validate the boundaries of all local agencies.

SB 182 (Committee on Governance and Finance) Validations.

Current Text: Chaptered: 9/3/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/9/2015

Status: 9/3/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 256, Statutes of 2015.

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

This bill would enact the Second Validating Act of 2015, which would validate the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state and counties, cities, and specified districts, agencies, and entities. This bill contains other related provisions.

Attachments:

[CALAFCO Letter of Support Mar 2015](#)

Position: Support

Subject: Other

CALAFCO Comments: One of three annual acts which validate the boundaries of all local agencies.

SB 183 (Committee on Governance and Finance) Validations.

Current Text: Chaptered: 7/2/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/9/2015

Status: 7/2/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 45, Statutes of 2015.

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

This bill would enact the Third Validating Act of 2015, which would validate the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state and counties, cities,

and specified districts, agencies, and entities.

Attachments:

[CALAFCO Letter of Support_Mar 2015](#)

Position: Support

Subject: Other

CALAFCO Comments: One of three annual acts which validate the boundaries of all local agencies.

[SB 184](#) (Committee on Governance and Finance) Local government: omnibus bill.

Current Text: Chaptered: 9/4/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/9/2015

Last Amended: 6/15/2015

Status: 9/4/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 269, Statutes of 2015.

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

Current law authorizes specified local entities, including cities, counties, special districts, and other authorized public corporations, to collect fees, tolls, rates, rentals, or other charges for water, sanitation, storm drainage, or sewerage system services and facilities. Under current law, a local entity may collect these charges on the property tax roll at the same time and in the same manner as its general property taxes, but is required to file a report on these collected charges. Current law requires the clerk or secretary to annually file the report with the auditor. This bill would define "clerk" to mean the clerk of the legislative body or secretary of the entity.

Position: Watch

Subject: Other

CALAFCO Comments: This bill is the Senate Governance & Finance Committee's annual Omnibus bill. This bill is intended to make technical, non-substantive changes to the Government Code outside of CKH.

[SB 226](#) (Pavley D) Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: groundwater adjudication.

Current Text: Chaptered: 10/9/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/13/2015

Last Amended: 9/3/2015

Status: 10/9/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 676, Statutes of 2015.

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Summary:

Current law authorizes a court to order a reference to the State Water Resources Control Board, as referee, of any and all issues involved in a suit brought in any court of competent jurisdiction in this state for determination of rights to water. This bill would authorize the state to intervene in a comprehensive adjudication conducted as specified in AB 1390 of the 2015- 16 Regular Session. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: None at this time

Subject: Water

CALAFCO Comments: As amended this bill addresses groundwater rights and is a follow up to the 2014 groundwater legislative package.

[SB 393](#) (Nguyen R) Local agencies.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/25/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/25/2015

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was RLS. on 3/5/2015)

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Summary:

Current law, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, establishes the sole and exclusive authority and procedure for the initiation, conduct, and completion of changes of organization and reorganization for cities and districts. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to the above-described law.

Position: Placeholder - monitor

Subject: CKH General Procedures

CALAFCO Comments: This is a spot bill.

[SB 422](#) ([Monning D](#)) Santa Clara Valley Open-Space Authority.

Current Text: Chaptered: 7/15/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/25/2015

Last Amended: 6/18/2015

Status: 7/15/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 99, Statutes of 2015.

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

Would authorize the Santa Clara County Open-Space Authority to acquire, but not to take by eminent domain, interests in real property that are without the authority's jurisdiction, necessary to the full exercise of its powers. The bill would also authorize the authority's boundaries to be altered by the annexation of contiguous territory, in the unincorporated area of a neighboring county, as provided. The bill would change the name of the authority to the Santa Clara Valley Open-Space Authority and make conforming changes.

Subject: Special District Powers

[SB 485](#) ([Hernandez D](#)) County of Los Angeles: sanitation districts.

Current Text: Chaptered: 10/9/2015 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Introduced: 2/26/2015

Last Amended: 8/27/2015

Status: 10/9/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 678, Statutes of 2015.

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Summary:

Would authorize specified sanitation districts in the County of Los Angeles to acquire, construct, operate, maintain, and furnish facilities for the diversion, management, and treatment of stormwater and dry weather runoff, the discharge of the water to the stormwater drainage system, and the beneficial use of the water. This bill contains other related provisions.

Subject: Special District Powers

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