# CALAFCO Daily Legislative Report as of Wednesday, February 07, 2018

February 14, 2018 Agenda Item 12a

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# <u>AB 272</u> (<u>Gipson</u> D) Water utility service: sale of water utility property by a city.

Current Text: Amended: 1/10/2018 html pdf

Introduced: 2/1/2017

# Last Amended: 1/10/2018

Status: 1/20/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(2). (Last location was APPR.

# SUSPENSE FILE on 1/18/2018)

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# Summary:

Would permit a city that owns and operates a public utility for furnishing water service to sell the public utility for the purpose of consolidating its public water system with another public water system pursuant to the procedures that are generally applicable to the sale of real property by a city, only if the potentially subsumed water system is wholly within the boundaries of the city, if the city determines that it is uneconomical and not in the public interest to own and operate the public utility and if certain requirements are met.

Position: Watch Subject: LAFCo Administration, Water

# **<u>SB 37</u>** (Roth D) Local government finance: property tax revenue allocations: vehicle license fee adjustments.

Current Text: Introduced: 12/5/2016 html pdf

#### Introduced: 12/5/2016

Status: 1/20/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(2). (Last location was APPR.

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# Summary:

Beginning with the 2004–05 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, existing law requires that each city, county, and city and county receive additional property tax revenues in the form of a vehicle license fee adjustment amount, as defined, from a Vehicle License Fee Property Tax Compensation Fund that exists in each county treasury. Current law requires that these additional allocations be funded from ad valorem property tax revenues otherwise required to be allocated to educational entities. This bill would modify these reduction and transfer provisions for a city incorporating after January 1, 2004, and on or before January 1, 2012, for the 2017–18 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 Feb 2017

# Position: Support

Subject: Financial Viability of Agencies, Tax Allocation

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill is identical to SB 817 (Roth, 2016), SB 25 (Roth, 2015) and SB 69 (Roth, 2014) with the exception of the chaptering out language included in the 2016 version (which addressed the companion bill AB 2277 (Melendez, 2016)). 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 2017/18 year for cities that incorporated between 1-1-2004 and 1-1-2012.

# <u>SB 778</u> (Hertzberg D) Water systems: consolidations: administrative and managerial services.

#### Current Text: Amended: 7/13/2017 html pdf Introduced: 2/17/2017 Last Amended: 7/13/2017 Statum: 0/1/2017 Failed Deadling purpugat to Pule (1(a)(1)

**Status:** 9/1/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(12). (Last location was APPR. on 8/23/2017) (May be acted upon Jan 2018)

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# Summary:

Would require, on or before March 1, 2018, and regularly thereafter, as specified, the State Water Resources Control Board to track and publish on its Internet Web site an analysis of all voluntary and ordered consolidations of water systems that have occurred on or after July 1, 2014. The bill would require the published information to include the resulting outcomes of the consolidations and whether the consolidations have succeeded or failed in providing an adequate supply of safe drinking water to the communities served by the consolidated water systems.

Position: Watch

Subject: Municipal Services

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# AB 267 (Waldron R) Community services districts.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/1/2017 html pdf

#### Introduced: 2/1/2017

**Status:** 1/20/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(2). (Last location was PRINT on 2/1/2017)

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#### Summary:

Current law provides for the organization and powers of community services districts, including the continuation of any community services district, improvement district of a community services district, that was in existence on January 1, 2006. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

**Position:** Watch **CALAFCO Comments:** According to the author's office this is a spot bill.

#### AB 548 (Steinorth R) Omnitrans Transit District.

Current Text: Amended: 4/4/2017 html pdf Introduced: 2/14/2017

# Last Amended: 4/4/2017

**Status:** 1/13/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(1). (Last location was TRANS. on 3/23/2017)

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#### Summary:

Would create the Omnitrans Transit District in the County of San Bernardino. The bill would provide that the jurisdiction of the district would initially include the Cities of Chino, Chino Hills, Colton, Fontana, Grand Terrace, Highland, Loma Linda, Montclair, Ontario, Rancho Cucamonga, Redlands, Rialto, San Bernardino, Upland, and Yucaipa, and unspecified portions of the unincorporated areas of the County of San Bernardino. The bill would authorize other cities in the County of San Bernardino to subsequently join the district.

#### Position: None at this time

**CALAFCO Comments:** According to the author's office, they are not moving forward with this bill.

# <u>AB 577</u> (Caballero D) Disadvantaged communities.

Current Text: Amended: 3/9/2017 html pdf Introduced: 2/14/2017 Last Amended: 3/9/2017 Status: 1/13/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(1). (Last location was E.S. & T.M. on

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# Summary:

Current law defines a disadvantaged community as a community with an annual median household income that is less than 80% of the statewide annual median household income for various purposes, that include, but are not limited to, the Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014, eligibility for certain entities to apply for funds from the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account, and authorization for a community revitalization and investment authority to carry out a community revitalization plan. This bill would expand the definition of a disadvantaged community to include a community with an annual per capita income that is less than 80% of the statewide annual per capita income.

# Position: Watch

Subject: Disadvantaged Communities

**CALAFCO Comments:** According to the author's office, the member will not be moving this bill forward.

# <u>AB 645</u> (<u>Quirk</u> D) Local government: organization: dissolution.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/14/2017 html pdf

#### Introduced: 2/14/2017

**Status:** 1/20/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(2). (Last location was L. GOV. on 3/2/2017)

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#### Summary:

Under current law, if a change of organization consists of a dissolution, the commission is required to order the dissolution subject to confirmation of voters if, among other things, the proposal was not initiated by the commission and if a subject agency has not objected to the proposal, the commission has found that, for an inhabited territory protests have been signed by either 25% of the number of landowners within the affected territory who own at least 25% of the assessed value of land within the territory or 25% of the voters entitled to vote as a result of residing or owning land within the affected territory. This bill would decrease that threshold to 10% of the number of landowners within the affected territory who own at least 25% of the assessed value of land within the territory or 10% of the voters entitled to vote as a result of residing or owning land within the affected territory.

# Position: Watch

**Subject:** CKH General Procedures, Disincorporation/dissolution, Special District Consolidations **CALAFCO Comments:** According to the author's office this is a spot bill pending the outcome of the Alameda LAFCo special study on Eden Healthcare District. Update: The author's office indicates they will hold off moving this bill. CALAFCO will continue to Watch.

# <u>AB 892</u> (Waldron R) Municipal water districts: water service: Indian tribes.

Current Text: Amended: 3/23/2017 html pdf

Introduced: 2/16/2017

#### Last Amended: 3/23/2017

**Status:** 1/20/2018-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(2). (Last location was L. GOV. on 3/23/2017)

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# Summary:

Current law, upon the request of certain Indian tribes and the satisfaction of certain conditions, requires a district to provide service of water at substantially the same terms applicable to the customers of the district to the Indian tribe's lands that are not within a district, as prescribed. This bill would authorize, rather than require, a district to provide this service of water. The bill

would apply this authorization to all Indian tribes whose lands are owned by the tribe.

Position: Watch
Subject: Water
CALAFCO Comments: In place of this bill, AB 1361 (Garcia) was passed and signed in 2017.

#### AB 1889 (Caballero D) Santa Clara Valley Water District.

Current Text: Introduced: 1/18/2018 html pdf

Introduced: 1/18/2018

Status: 2/5/2018-Referred to Com. on L. GOV.

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#### Summary:

The Santa Clara Valley Water District Act authorizes the district to impose special taxes at minimum rates according to land use category and size. The district act authorizes the district to provide an exemption from these taxes for residential parcels owned and occupied by one or more taxpayers who are at least 65 years of age, or who qualify as totally disabled, if the household income is less than an amount approved by the voters of the district. This bill would authorize the district to require a taxpayer seeking an exemption from these special taxes to verify his or her age, disability status, or household income, as prescribed. The bill would authorize the board of directors of the district to provide the exemption.

#### Position: Watch

#### AB 2019 (Aguiar-Curry D) Health care districts.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/5/2018 html pdf

Introduced: 2/5/2018

Status: 2/6/2018-From printer. May be heard in committee March 8.

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#### Summary:

Current law authorizes local health care districts to exercise specified powers, including purchasing and using property for the benefit of the district and exercising the power of eminent domain to acquire real or personal property necessary to the exercise of the district's powers. Current law authorizes a district to include incorporated or unincorporated territory, or both, or territory in one or more counties, subject to specified limitations. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to a provision of the Local Health Care District Law.

Position: Watch

#### <u>SB 435</u> (Dodd D) Williamson Act: payments to local governments.

Current Text: Amended: 5/2/2017 html pdf

Introduced: 2/15/2017

Last Amended: 5/2/2017

Status: 2/1/2018-Returned to Secretary of Senate pursuant to Joint Rule 56.

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# Summary:

Would, under the Williamson act, reduce the amount per acre paid to a city, county, or city and county under these provisions to \$2.50 for prime agricultural land, \$0.50 for all other land devoted to open-space uses of statewide significance, and, for counties that have adopted farmland security zones, \$4 for land that is within, or within 3 miles of the sphere of influence of, each incorporated city.

#### Attachments:

CALAFCO Support Letter\_May 2017

Position: Support

Subject: Ag Preservation - Williamson

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill renews partial subvention funding for the Williamson Act as a fiscal incentive to lift contract moratoria, implements solar use easements and Farmland

Security Zone Contracts, and increases subvention funding for counties that adopt conservation planning strategies for agriculturally zoned property that further our state's sustainable community goals.

# <u>SB 522</u> (Glazer D) West Contra Costa Healthcare District.

Current Text: Amended: 1/3/2018 html pdf Introduced: 2/16/2017 Last Amended: 1/3/2018 Status: 1/30/2018-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk. Desk Policy Fiscal Floor Desk Policy Fiscal Floor Co

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#### Summary:

Current law provides for the formation of local health care districts and specifies district powers. Under existing law, the elective officers of a local health care district consist of a board of hospital directors consisting of 5 members, each of whom is required to be a registered voter residing in the district and whose term shall be 4 years, except as specified. This bill would dissolve the existing elected board of directors of the West Contra Costa Healthcare District, effective January 1, 2019, and would require the Board of Supervisors of the County of Contra Costa, at its election, to either serve as the district board or appoint a district board, as specified.

Position: Watch

Subject: Special Districts Governance

# <u>SB 561</u> (Gaines R) Fallen Leaf Lake Community Services District: elections.

Current Text: Amended: 1/23/2018 html pdf

Introduced: 2/17/2017

Last Amended: 1/23/2018

**Status:** 1/30/2018-Read third time. Passed. (Ayes 36. Noes 0.) Ordered to the Assembly. In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

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#### Summary:

Under current law, the Fallen Leaf Lake Community Services District is a resident voting district. This bill, notwithstanding existing law, would provide that voters who are residents of the district, and voters who are not residents but either own a real property interest in the district or have been designated by the owner of a real property interest to cast the vote for that property, may vote in a district election in the Fallen Leaf Lake Community Services District.

Position: Watch Subject: Special Districts Governance

# <u>SB 623</u> (Monning D) Water quality: Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund.

Current Text: Amended: 8/21/2017 html pdf

Introduced: 2/17/2017

#### Last Amended: 8/21/2017

**Status:** 9/1/2017-From committee: Without recommendation. (Ayes 11. Noes 0.) (September 1) Re-referred to Com. on RLS.

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#### Summary:

Would establish the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund in the State Treasury and would provide that moneys in the fund are continuously appropriated to the State Water Resources Control Board. The bill would require the board to administer the fund to secure access to safe drinking water for all Californians, while also ensuring the long-term sustainability of drinking water service and infrastructure. The bill would authorize the state board to provide for the deposit into the fund of federal contributions, voluntary contributions, gifts, grants, bequests, and settlements from parties responsible for contamination of drinking water supplies.

#### **Position:** None at this time

Subject: Water

# <u>SB 922</u> (Nguyen R) Local government: planning.

Current Text: Introduced: 1/23/2018 html pdf

Introduced: 1/23/2018

Status: 2/1/2018-Referred to Com. on RLS.

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Summary:

Current law, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, makes certain findings and declarations relating to local government organizations, including, among other things, the encouragement of orderly growth and development, and the logical formation and modification of the boundaries of local agencies, as specified. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these findings and declarations.

Position: Watch Subject: LAFCo Administration CALAFCO Comments: This is a spot bill. CALAFCO will watch.

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