



## 2017 Bills with SBCO Position

### [AB 2](#)

[Obernolte R \( Dist. 33\)](#)

**Location:** ASSEMBLY 2 YEAR

**Hate crimes: peace officers.** Current law prohibits committing a battery upon another person. Violation of this prohibition is punishable as a misdemeanor or felony, depending on the extent of injury. Under existing law, there is a penalty enhancement for a battery committed against a peace officer who is engaged in the performance of his or her duties. Current law defines "hate crime" as a criminal act committed, in whole or in part, because of actual or perceived characteristics of the victim, including, among other things, race, religion, disability, and sexual orientation. This bill would make any criminal act, except the crime of resisting, delaying, or obstructing an officer, committed in whole or in part because of the victim's status as a peace officer, as defined, a hate crime.

**Position:** San Bernardino County Support

### [AB 53](#)

[Steinorth R \( Dist. 40\)](#)

**Location:** ASSEMBLY REV. & TAX

**Personal income taxes: deduction: homeownership savings accounts.** Would, on and after January 1, 2017, allow a deduction, not to exceed specified amounts, of the amount a qualified taxpayer, as defined, contributed in any taxable year to a homeownership savings account and would exclude from gross income any income earned on the moneys contributed to a homeownership savings account. The bill would provide that a qualified taxpayer may withdraw amounts from a homeownership savings account to pay for qualified homeownership savings expenses, defined as expenses paid or incurred in connection with the purchase of a principal residence in this state.

**Position:** San Bernardino County Support

### [AB 74](#)

[Chiu D \( Dist. 17\)](#)

**Location:** ASSEMBLY APPR.

**Housing.** Would require Department of Housing and Community Development to, on or before October 1, 2018, establish the Housing for a Healthy California Program and on or before April 1, 2019, and every year thereafter, subject to on appropriation by the Legislature, award grants on a competitive basis to eligible grant applicants based on guidelines that HCD would draft, as prescribed, and other requirements. The bill would provide that an applicant is eligible for a grant under the program if the applicant meets specified requirements. This bill contains other related provisions.

**Position:** San Bernardino County Support

### [AB 199](#)

[Chu D \( Dist. 25\)](#)

**Location:** ASSEMBLY APPR.

**Public works: private residential projects.** Current law exempts private residential projects built on private property from certain requirements for projects that are defined as "public works," including, among other requirements, the payment of prevailing wages, unless the project is built pursuant to an agreement with a state agency, redevelopment agency, or local public housing authority. This bill would make the above-referenced exemption for private residential projects additionally inapplicable to a project built pursuant to an agreement with a successor agency to a redevelopment agency, as specified.

**Position:** San Bernardino County Oppose

### [AB 234](#)

[Steinorth R \( Dist. 40\)](#)

**Location:** ASSEMBLY APPR.

**Student financial aid: Assumption Program of Loans for Education.** Would express the intent of the Legislature to restore the funding for the Assumption Program of Loans for Education to its 2011–12 fiscal year level. The bill would require the Student Aid Commission



to award 7,200 new warrants for the assumption of loans under the program in the 2017–18 fiscal year. The bill would appropriate \$5,000,000 from the General Fund to the commission for the funding of warrants for the assumption of loans under the program for the 2017–18 fiscal year.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[AB 236](#)

[Maienschein](#) R ( Dist. 77)

**Location:** ASSEMBLY APPR.

**CalWORKs: housing assistance.** As part of the CalWORKs program, a homeless family that has used all available liquid resources in excess of \$100 is eligible for homeless assistance benefits to pay the costs of temporary shelter if the family is eligible for aid under the CalWORKs program. This bill would provide that homeless assistance is available to homeless families that would be eligible for aid under the CalWORKs program but for the fact that the only child or children in the family are in out-of-home placement pursuant to an order of the dependency court, if the family is receiving reunification services and the county determines that homeless assistance is necessary for reunification to occur.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[AB 255](#)

[Gallagher](#) R ( Dist. 3)

**Location:** SENATE DESK

**Sexually violent predators: out-of-county placement.** Current law generally requires a sexually violent predator who is conditionally released to be placed in the county that was the person's county of domicile prior to the person's incarceration. Current law provides for placement outside of the county of domicile if specified circumstances exist. Current law specifies certain information to be considered in determining the county of domicile. This bill would require the court to consider additional factors when determining the county of placement that is not the county of domicile, including if and how long the person has previously resided or been employed in the county and if the person has next of kin in the county.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[AB 278](#)

[Steinorth](#) R ( Dist. 40)

**Location:** ASSEMBLY 2 YEAR

**California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: existing transportation infrastructure.** Would exempt from the provisions of CEQA a project, or the issuance of a permit for a project, that consists of the inspection, maintenance, repair, rehabilitation, replacement, or removal of, or the addition of an auxiliary lane or bikeway to, existing transportation infrastructure and that meets certain requirements. The bill would require the public agency carrying out the project to take certain actions.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[AB 292](#)

[Steinorth](#) R ( Dist. 40)

**Location:** ASSEMBLY APPR.

**Personal income tax: deductions: qualified pet adoption costs.** The Personal Income Tax Law, in modified conformity with federal income tax laws, allows various deductions in computing the income that is subject to the taxes imposed by that law, including miscellaneous itemized deductions that are allowed only to the extent that the aggregate amount of those deductions exceed 2% of adjusted gross income. This bill, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2018, and before January 1, 2023, would allow a deduction, not to exceed \$100, under that law for the qualified costs paid or incurred by a taxpayer for the adoption of a qualified pet, as defined, from a qualified animal rescue organization.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**



[AB 550](#)

[Reyes D \( Dist. 47\)](#)

Location: ASSEMBLY APPR.

**State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program: funding.** Current law requires the California Department of Aging to allocate federal and state funds for local ombudsman programs according to a specified distribution, but prohibits the department from allocating less than \$35,000 per fiscal year, except in areas with fewer than 10 facilities and fewer than 500 beds. This bill would increase the base allocation for local ombudsman programs to \$100,000 per fiscal year. The bill would appropriate \$2,250,000 from the General Fund to the California Department of Aging for the purpose of increasing base allocation funding for that purpose.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[AB 600](#)

[Cooper D \( Dist. 9\)](#)

Location: ASSEMBLY APPR.

**Sales and use taxes: exemption: manufacturing and research: useful life: electric power generation.** Current sales and use tax laws partially exempt from those taxes, until July 1, 2018, the gross receipts from the sale of, and the storage, use, or other consumption of, specified tangible personal property purchased for use by a qualified person, as defined, to be used primarily in manufacturing or other processes, and in research and development. Consumables with a useful life of less than one year do not qualify for exemption, and useful life is defined by reference to state income or franchise taxes. This bill, on and after January 1, 2018, and before July 1, 2028, would additionally define useful life by reference to manufacturer or other warranties, maintenance contracts, and normal replacement as established by industry or business practices, would additionally exempt from those taxes special purpose buildings and foundations used for the generation, production, storage, or distribution, as defined, of electric power, and would expand the definition of qualified person to include, among others, a person primarily engaged in the business of electric power generation.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[AB 818](#)

[Burke D \( Dist. 62\)](#)

Location: SENATE DESK

**CalWORKs: welfare to work.** Current law establishes the California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) program, under which each county provides cash assistance and other benefits to qualified low-income families using federal, state, and county funds. This bill would provide that for purposes of the educational or treatment program circumstance, a high school education or its equivalent is presumed to meaningfully increase the likelihood of the recipient's employment.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[AB 912](#)

[Obernolte R \( Dist. 33\)](#)

Location: ASSEMBLY APPR.

**Small business: California Small Business Regulatory Fairness Act.** Would require a state agency to assist a small business, as defined, in complying with all statutes and regulations administered by the state agency and in any enforcement action by the state agency. The bill would require a state agency to establish a policy, by December 31, 2018, that provides for the reduction of civil penalties for violations of regulatory or statutory requirements by a small business under appropriate circumstances. The bill would authorize the state agency to update the policy to reflect current issues and conditions affecting small businesses and the state agency.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[AB 1077](#)

[O'Donnell D \( Dist. 70\)](#)

Location: ASSEMBLY APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Off-highway vehicles.** The Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Act of 2003 provides for the acquisition, operation, and funding of state off-highway vehicular recreation areas and trails,



establishes the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission and the Division of Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation within the Department of Motor Vehicles, and provides a grant program for, among other things, acquisition, administration, maintenance, and operation of areas and facilities associated with the use of off-highway motor vehicles. These provisions are to be repealed on January 1, 2018. This bill would extend the operation of the act until January 1, 2019, unless a specified report is not received by the Legislature by January 1, 2018, in which case the act would be repealed on July 1, 2018.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[AB 1111](#)

[Garcia, Eduardo](#) D ( Dist. 56)

**Location:** ASSEMBLY APPR.

**Removing Barriers to Employment Act: Breaking Barriers to Employment**

**Initiative.** Would enact the Removing Barriers to Employment Act, which would establish the Breaking Barriers to Employment Initiative within the Labor and Workforce Development Agency. The bill would require the initiative to be led by the Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development and authorizes the secretary to assign all or part of the administration of the initiative to one or more entities within the agency's oversight, or to authorize another state agency, under specified conditions, to administer a portion of the initiative.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[AB 1164](#)

[Thurmond](#) D ( Dist. 15)

**Location:** ASSEMBLY APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Foster care placement: funding.** Would establish the Emergency Child Care Bridge Program for Foster Children (bridge program). The bill would authorize, contingent upon an appropriation of \$11,000,000 in the 2017–18 fiscal year and \$22,000,000 annually thereafter, county welfare departments to administer the bridge program and distribute vouchers, or payment, for child care and development services for an eligible child who is placed with an approved resource family, a licensed or certified foster family, or an approved relative or nonrelative extended family member, or who is the child of a young parent involved in the child welfare system.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[AB 1330](#)

[Reyes](#) D ( Dist. 47)

**Location:** ASSEMBLY THIRD READING

**Park property: Ayala Park.** Would authorize the Bloomington Recreation and Park District to dispose of property used for park purposes at Ayala Park that was acquired with the grant money, subject to the acquisition of property of equal or greater recreation value, as approved by the Department of Parks and Recreation, and at no cost to the state. This bill contains other related provisions.

**Position: San Bernardino County Sponsor**

[AB 1404](#)

[Berman](#) D ( Dist. 24)

**Location:** ASSEMBLY APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**California Environmental Quality Act: categorical exemption: infill development.** CEQA requires the Office of Planning and Research to prepare and develop, and the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to certify and adopt, guidelines for the implementation of CEQA. CEQA requires the guidelines to include a list of classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and that shall be exempt from CEQA (categorical exemption). Current guidelines for the implementation of CEQA exempts from the requirements of CEQA infill development meeting certain requirements, including the requirement that the proposed development occurs within city limits. This bill would expand the above-categorical exemption to include proposed developments occurring within the unincorporated areas of a county.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**



[AB 1406](#)

[Gloria D \( Dist. 78\)](#)

Location: ASSEMBLY APPR.

**Homeless Youth Housing Program.** Would establish the Homeless Youth Housing Program to, upon appropriation of funds by the Legislature, award grants to up to 10 recipients, as defined, that demonstrate the ability to contract with service providers capable of providing housing assistance and supportive services to homeless youth with the goal of transitioning youth towards self-sufficiency.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[AB 1665](#)

[Garcia, Eduardo D \( Dist. 56\)](#)

Location: ASSEMBLY APPR.

**Telecommunications: California Advanced Services Fund.** Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to develop, implement, and administer the CASF to encourage deployment of high-quality advanced communications services to all Californians that will promote economic growth, job creation, and the substantial social benefits of advanced information and communications technologies, as provided in specified decisions of the commission and in the CASF statute. This bill would revise the goal of the program to provide that its goal is to approve funding for infrastructure projects that will provide broadband access to no less than 98% of California households in each consortia region, as identified by the commission, by December 31, 2022.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[SB 9](#)

[Gaines R \( Dist. 1\)](#)

Location: SENATE 2 YEAR

**State responsibility areas: fire prevention fees.** Current law establishes the State Responsibility Area Fire Prevention Fund and prohibits the collection of fire prevention fees if there are sufficient amounts of moneys in the fund to finance specified fire prevention activities for a fiscal year. Current law requires that the fire prevention fees collected, except as provided, be deposited into the fund and be made available to the board and the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for certain fire prevention activities that benefit the owners of structures in state responsibility areas who are required to pay the fee. Current law further requires the board to submit an annual written report to the Legislature on specified topics. This bill would repeal the above provisions.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[SB 39](#)

[Roth D \( Dist. 31\)](#)

Location: SENATE APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Suspension and allocation of judgeships.** Would require the suspension of 4 vacant judgeships, as defined, in superior courts with more authorized judgeships than their assessed judicial need. The bill would require the allocation of 4 judgeships to superior courts with fewer authorized judgeships than their assessed judicial need and would require the judgeships to be funded using existing appropriations for the compensation of superior court judges.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[SB 58](#)

[McGuire D \( Dist. 2\)](#)

Location: SENATE APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Wildlife management areas: payment of taxes and assessments.** Existing law regulates real property acquired and operated by the state as wildlife management areas, and authorizes the Department of Fish and Wildlife, when income is directly derived from that real property, to annually pay to the county in which the property is located an amount equal to the county taxes levied upon the property at the time it was transferred to the state. Existing law requires those payments to only be made from funds that are appropriated to the department for those purposes. This bill would, commencing with the 2018–19 fiscal year and each fiscal year thereafter, require, instead of authorize, the department to make these payments subject to appropriation by the Legislature.



**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[SB 69](#)

[Bates R \( Dist. 36\)](#)

**Location:** SENATE 2 YEAR

**Sex offenders: GPS monitoring: removal.** Would make it a felony for a person to willfully remove or disable an electronic, global positioning system, or other monitoring device, if the device was affixed as a condition of parole, postrelease community supervision, or probation as a result of a conviction of certain specified sex offenses, if the person intended to evade supervision and either does not surrender, or is not apprehended, within one week of the issuance of a warrant for absconding, punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for 16 months, or 2 or 3 years.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[Fact Sheet](#)

[SB 202](#)

[Dodd D \( Dist. 3\)](#)

**Location:** SENATE APPR.

**Medi-Cal: beneficiary maintenance needs: personal needs allowance.** In calculating the income of a medically needy individual who is in a medical institution or nursing facility, or a person receiving institutional or noninstitutional services from a Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly organization, the required monthly maintenance amount includes an amount providing for the personal and incidental needs in an amount not less than \$35 while a patient, and authorizes the Department of Health Care Services, by regulation, to increase this amount as necessitated by increasing costs of personal incidental needs. This bill would increase the personal needs allowance amount from \$35 to \$80 per month while a person is a patient as described above.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[SB 249](#)

[Allen D \( Dist. 26\)](#)

**Location:** SENATE APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

**Off-highway motor vehicle recreation.** Would revise and recast various provisions of the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Act of 2003. The bill would expand the duties of the Division of Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation. The bill would require the Director of Parks and Recreation to assemble a science advisory team to advise and assist the department and the division in meeting the natural and cultural resource conservation purposes of the act, as specified.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**

[SB 600](#)

[Galgiani D \( Dist. 5\)](#)

**Location:** SENATE APPR.

**Sales and use taxes: exemption: manufacturing and research: useful life: electric power generation.** Sales and use tax laws partially exempt from those taxes, for a specified period, the gross receipts from the sale of, and the storage, use, or other consumption of, specified tangible personal property purchased for use by a qualified person, as defined, to be used primarily in manufacturing or other processes, and in research and development. On and after July 1, 2014, tangible personal property with a useful life of one or more years, as defined by reference to state income or franchise taxes, is deemed to have a useful life of one or more years for purposes of the exemption. This bill would define "useful life" for periods on and after July 1, 2014, to also include tangible personal property that is expensed for state income or franchise tax purposes and that has a physical useful life of one or more years.

**Position: San Bernardino County Support**