CALAFCO Legislative Update
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Attachment 2

CALAFCO Daily Legislative Report
as of 10/2/2012

PRIORITY 1

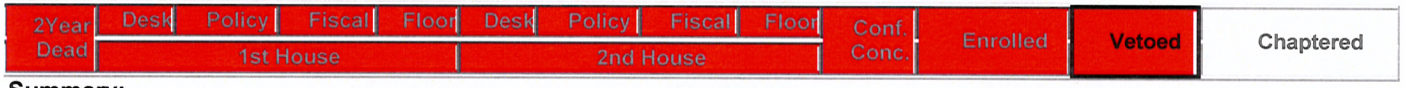
AB 1098 (**Carter** D) Vehicle license fees: allocation.

Current Text: Vetoed: 9/19/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 2/18/2011

Last Amended: 8/30/2012

Status: 9/19/2012-Vetoed by the Governor



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Attachments:

CALAFCO Request for Governor's Signature

Position: Support

Subject: Financial Viability of Agencies

CALAFCO Comments: Last minute "gut and amend" bill which restored VLF funding to cities incorporated -- and inhabited annexations -- since 2004.

AB 2238 (**Perea** D) Public water systems: drinking water.

Current Text: Amended: 8/24/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Last Amended: 8/24/2012

Status: 9/1/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was S. APPR. on 8/31/2012)

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Summary:

Would eliminate the requirement that the State Department of Public Health develop a definition of what constitutes an emergency and would instead provide a definition of a public health emergency as an unexpected event that requires immediate action, as specified. This bill would authorize the department to expend the moneys from the Grant Fund if the department determines that a public health emergency has occurred and would list the provision of interim water treatment as one of the listed specified actions for which the department may provide payment. By revising and expanding the application of funds in the Grant Fund, the bill would make an appropriation. This bill would limit the provision of an alternative water supply to $50,000 per public water system per public health emergency. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: Support

Subject: Water, Municipal Services

CALAFCO Comments: This bill has been significantly amended to address the concerns raised by CALAFCO. The requirements for LAFCo to conduct reorganization studies in all water and wastewater MSRs has been entirely removed. There are no mandates or requirements for LAFCo in the June amended bill. The bill now would require local water agencies which receive grants for a feasibility study to consider reorganization and efficiency recommendations in a LAFCo MSR, SOI update or special study in that study. It also requires the Department of Public Health to consult with the LAFCo prior to issuing infrastructure grants to ensure alternative delivery options identified by a LAFCo were considered in the feasibility study.

AB 2624 (**Smyth** R) **Sustainable communities.**

Current Text: Introduced: 2/24/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Status: 8/17/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(14). (Last location was S. APPR. on 8/16/2012)

2Year Dead	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:

The Strategic Growth Council is required to manage and award grants and loans to a council of governments, metropolitan planning organization, regional transportation planning agency, city, county, or joint powers authority for the purpose of developing, adopting, and implementing a regional plan or other planning instrument to support the planning and development of sustainable communities. This bill would make a local agency formation commission eligible for the award of financial assistance for those planning purposes.

Position: Support

Subject: Sustainable Community Plans

CALAFCO Comments: Makes LAFCo an eligible agency to apply for Strategic Growth Council grants. Sponsored by CALAFCO.

AB 2698 (Committee on Local Government) Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000.

Current Text: Chaptered: 7/9/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 3/21/2012

Last Amended: 6/6/2012

Status: 7/9/2012-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 62, Statutes of 2012

2Year Dead	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:

Current law, the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, sets forth the powers and duties of a local agency formation commission, including, among others, the power to approve the annexation of a contiguous disadvantaged community, under specified circumstances. Current law provides that an application to annex a contiguous disadvantaged community is not required if a commission finds that a majority of the residents within the affected territory are opposed to annexation. This bill would provide that an application to annex a contiguous disadvantaged community is not required if the commission finds that a majority of the registered voters within the affected territory are opposed to annexation. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: Sponsor

Subject: CKH General Procedures

CALAFCO Comments: CALAFCO-sponsored annual CKH Omnibus bill. Amended on April 30th to include CALAFCO protest provision and waiver of notice and hearing language.

SB 1498 (Emmerson R) Local agency formation commission: powers.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/24/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Status: 5/11/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was S. G. & F. on 3/22/2012)

2Year Dead	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:

Would authorize a local agency formation commission to authorize a city or district to provide new or current services outside its jurisdictional boundaries and outside its sphere of influence to support current or planned uses involving public or private properties, subject to approval at a noticed public hearing, in which certain determinations are made. The bill would also authorize the commission to delegate to its executive officer the approval of certain requests to authorize a city or district to provide new or extended services outside its jurisdictional boundaries or outside its sphere of influence, as described above, under specified circumstances. The bill would also make certain technical, nonsubstantive, and conforming changes. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: None at this time

Subject: Disadvantaged Communities, Municipal Services

CALAFCO Comments: Sponsored by the League of Cities, this bill does two things: 1) it includes the CALAFCO proposed language on expanding out-of-agency service authority (56133) and 2) removes the annexation requirements from SB 244. Those provisions require a city to apply to annex a disadvantaged unincorporated community if they apply to annex adjacent uninhabited territory. It is anticipated this bill will be completely gutted and amended and changed to Senator Wolk as the author. The anticipated direction is to further amend the definition of a disadvantaged unincorporated community. The League is continuing its efforts to remove or significantly modify the DUC annexation requirements when a city applies for an uninhabited annexation adjacent to a DUC.

SB 1566 (**Negrete McLeod** D) **Vehicle license fees: allocation.**

Current Text: Amended: 4/10/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Last Amended: 4/10/2012

Status: 5/25/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(8). (Last location was S. APPR. on 5/24/2012)

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Position: Support

Subject: Annexation Proceedings, Tax Allocation

CALAFCO Comments: This problem would correct the VLF problem created by last year's budget bill SB 89, and restore VLF to recent incorporations and inhabited annexations.

PRIORITY 2

AB 46 (John A. Pérez D) **Local government: cities.**

Current Text: Amended: 6/28/2011 pdf html

Introduced: 12/6/2010

Last Amended: 6/28/2011

Status: 9/1/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was S. THIRD READING on 6/28/2011)

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Summary:

Would provide that every city with a population of less than 150 people as of January 1, 2010, would be disincorporated into that city's respective county as of 91 days after the effective date of the bill, unless a county board of supervisors determines, by majority vote within the 90-day period following enactment of these provisions, that continuing such a city within that county's boundaries would serve a public purpose if the board of supervisors determines that the city is in an isolated rural location that makes it impractical for the residents of the community to organize in another form of local governance. The bill would also require the local agency formation commission within the county to oversee the terms and conditions of the disincorporation of the city, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.

Position: None at this time

Subject: Disincorporation/dissolution

CALAFCO Comments: As written this bill applies only to Vernon, California. It bypasses much of the C-K-H disincorporation process, leaving LAFCo only the responsibility of assigning assets and liabilities following disincorporation.

AB 781 (John A. Pérez D) **Local government: counties: unincorporated areas.**

Current Text: Amended: 8/29/2011 pdf html

Introduced: 2/17/2011

Last Amended: 8/29/2011

Status: 9/1/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was S. INACTIVE FILE on 8/30/2012)

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Summary:
Would authorize the board of supervisors of a county in which a city that will be disincorporated pursuant to statute is located to vote to continue that city if, after receipt of an audit conducted by the State Auditor, the board of supervisors determines that the territory to be disincorporated is not expected to generate revenues sufficient to provide public services and facilities, maintain a reasonable reserve, and pay its obligations during the 5 years following disincorporation. The bill would require a city that is audited pursuant to these provisions to reimburse the State Auditor for the costs incurred to perform the audit, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: Disincorporation/dissolution, Special District Principle Acts
CALAFCO Comments: This bill was gutted and amended on 20 June to create a CSD in any unincorporated area that was previously a city and was disincorporated by the legislature. It is specifically targeted at Vernon. It also contains language directing LAFCo on the terms and conditions of the disincorporation.

AB 2208 (**Perea** D) Water quality.
Current Text: Amended: 8/24/2012 pdf html
Introduced: 2/23/2012
Last Amended: 8/24/2012
Status: 9/1/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was S. THIRD READING on 8/27/2012)

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Summary:
Current law, the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, establishes the State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund program pursuant to which state and federal funds are continuously appropriated from the State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund to the State Water Resources Control Board for loans and other financial assistance for the construction of publicly owned treatment works by a municipality, the implementation of a management program, the development and implementation of a conservation and management plan, and other related purposes in accordance with the federal Clean Water Act and the state act. Current law authorizes the board, until 2014, to assess a specified annual charge in connection with any financial assistance made pursuant to the revolving fund program in lieu of interest that otherwise would be charged and requires the proceeds generated from the imposition of the annual charge in lieu of interest to be deposited in the State Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund Small Community Grant Fund (grant fund), along with any interest earned upon the moneys in the grant fund. Current law provides that the annual charge in lieu of interest remain unchanged until 2014, at which time it will terminate and be replaced by an identical interest rate, and prohibits the deposit of more than $50,000,000 into the grant fund. Current law authorizes the board to expend the moneys in the grant fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for grants for eligible projects under the revolving fund program that serve small communities, as defined. This bill would authorize the board to assess the charge in lieu of interest until 2019. This bill contains other related provisions.

Position: Watch

Subject: Water

CALAFCO Comments: While currently this bill does not directly affect LAFCos it is sponsored by the same people at AB 2238 (CRLA) and is in many ways tied to that bill. The current amendments do affect water and wastewater agencies which may be of concern to LAFCos and CALAFCO. It is also likely this bill will be significantly amended but at this time we don't know where it is going.

AB 2210 (Smyth R) **County assessors: notification.**

Current Text: Amended: 5/21/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 2/23/2012

Last Amended: 5/21/2012

Status: 7/6/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(13). (Last location was S. G. & F. on 6/14/2012)

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Summary:

Would require the assessor, upon a request by the board of supervisors to furnish an estimate of the assessed valuation of property within the county for the succeeding fiscal year, to estimate whether property valuations have decreased by 3% or more and, if so, require the assessor to issue a written report to the board of supervisors within 30 days. This bill would require the assessor to , within 15 days of notifying the board of supervisors, also notify the Department of Finance and all cities and affected school districts within the county .

Position: None at this time

Subject: Annexation Proceedings

CALAFCO Comments: Placeholder bill on property tax exchange agreements.

AB 2418 (Gordon D) **Health districts.**

Current Text: Amended: 5/1/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Last Amended: 5/1/2012

Status: 5/25/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(8). (Last location was A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/16/2012)

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Summary:

Current law, the Local Health Care District Law, authorizes a local health care district to generate revenue through an annual assessment on real and personal property within the district . This bill would require a health care district to spend at least 95% of the revenue derived from an annual general tax levy on current community health care benefits, as specified. The bill would expressly exclude from the definition of community health care benefits the salari es paid and benefits provided to staff of the districts and benefits provided to board members, among other items. By increasing the duties of local officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program . This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: Watch

Subject: Special District Principle Acts

CALAFCO Comments: Limits the amount of general tax levy revenue a healthcare district may spend on administrative costs. Excludes the costs of staff/board salaries and benefits. Specifies what tax levy revenues may be spent on, including powers authorized by LAFCo.

ACA 17 (Logue R) State-mandated local programs.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/15/2011 pdf html

Introduced: 2/15/2011

Status: 9/1/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was A. L. GOV. on 4/14/2011)

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Summary:

Under the California Constitution, whenever the Legislature or a state agency mandates a new program or higher level of service on any local government, the state is required to provide a subvention of funds to reimburse the local government. With regard to certain mandates imposed on a city, county, city and county, or special district that have been determine to be payable, the Legislature is required either to appropriate, in the annual Budget Act, the full payable amount of the mandate, determined as specified, or to suspend the operation of the mandate for the fiscal year. The California Constitution provides that the Legislature is not required to appropriate funds for specified mandates.

Position: None at this time

Subject: LAFCo Administration

CALAFCO Comments: Changes state mandate law in a proposed constitutional amendment. Included is specific language that releases mandate responsibility if the local agency can change an individual or applicant for the cost of providing the mandated service. Would likely exempt some mandates to LAFCo from state funding.

SB 46 (Correa D) Public officials: compensation disclosure.

Current Text: Amended: 6/2/2011 pdf html

Introduced: 12/9/2010

Last Amended: 6/2/2011

Status: 9/1/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was A. DESK on 8/22/2011)

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Summary:

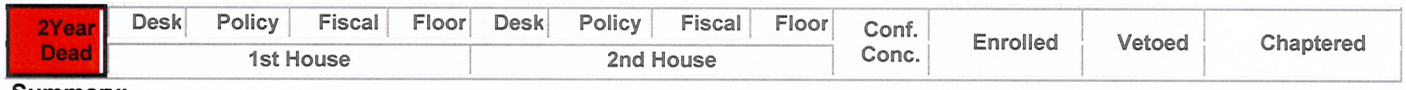
Would, commencing on January 1, 2013, and continuing until January 1, 2019, require every designated employee and other person, except a

candidate for public office, who is required to file a statement of economic interests to include, as a part of that filing, a compensation disclosure form that provides compensation information for the preceding calendar year, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: Oppose
Subject: LAFCo Administration
CALAFCO Comments: Similar to a 2010 bill, this would require all those who file a Form 700 to also file an extensive compensation and reimbursement disclosure report. Would require all local agencies, including LAFCo, to annually post the forms on their website.

SB 191 (Committee on Governance and Finance) Validations.

Current Text: Amended: 5/16/2011 pdf html
Introduced: 2/8/2011
Last Amended: 5/16/2011
Status: 9/1/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was A. DESK on 5/25/2012)



Summary:
This bill would enact the First Validating Act of 2011, 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 Support Letter

Position: Support
Subject: LAFCo Administration
CALAFCO Comments: One of three annual acts which validate the boundaries of all local agencies.

SB 192 (Committee on Governance and Finance) Validations.

Current Text: Chaptered: 9/7/2012 pdf html
Introduced: 2/8/2011
Last Amended: 8/16/2012
Status: 9/7/2012-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 265, Statutes of 2012

Summary:
This bill would enact the Validating Act of 2012, which would validate the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state and counties, cities, and specified districts, agencies, and entities.

Position: Support

Subject: LAFCo Administration

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

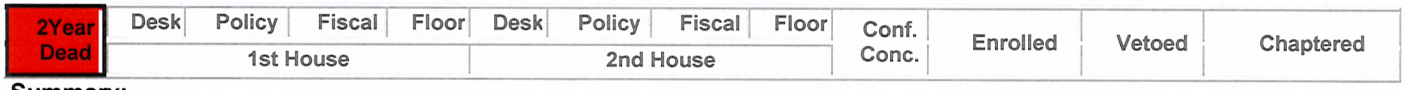
SB 317 (Rubio D) Kings River Fisheries Management Program.

Current Text: Amended: 8/26/2011 pdf html

Introduced: 2/14/2011

Last Amended: 8/26/2011

Status: 9/1/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was A. INACTIVE FILE on 8/27/2012)



Summary:

Current law authorizes the Department of Fish and Game to enter into contracts for fish and wildlife habitat preservation, restoration, and enhancement with public and private entities whenever the department finds that the contracts will assist in meeting the department's duty to preserve, protect, and restore fish and wildlife. This bill would reenact those provisions, to be operative indefinitely, and would require that expenditures made pursuant to those provisions only be funded, upon appropriation by the Legislature, from moneys that are not from a General Fund or general obligation bond source . This bill contains other current laws.

Subject: CEQA

CALAFCO Comments: This bill is expected to be amended during the end of the session rush to reform CEQA; primarily by exempting projects that a consistent with a previously approved CEQA document (such as a general or specific plan). High speed rail and the delta by-pass are also expected to be exempted from CEQA in the bill.

SB 804 (Corbett D) Health care districts: transfers of assets.

Current Text: Chaptered: 9/28/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 2/18/2011

Last Amended: 6/6/2012

Status: 9/28/2012-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 684, Statutes of 2012

Summary:

Current law authorizes a health care district to transfer, for the benefit of the communities served by the district, in the absence of adequate consideration, any part of the assets of the district to one or more nonprofit corporations to operate and maintain the assets. Current law deems a transfer of 50% or more of the district' s assets to be for the benefit of the communities served only upon the occurrence of specified conditions. This

bill would include among the above-described conditions the inclusion within the transfer agreement of the appraised fair market value of any asset transferred to the nonprofit corporation, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: None at this time
Subject: Special District Principle Acts
CALAFCO Comments: Current law allows the transfer of Health Care District assets to a non profit to operate and maintain the asset. This bill would include in the transfer, the transfer of the fair market value of the asset.

SB 1002 (Yee D) **Public records: electronic format.**

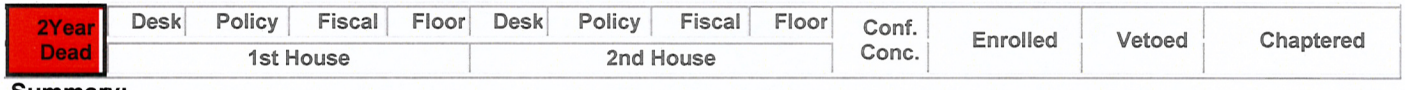
Current Text: Vetoed: 9/28/2012 pdf html
Introduced: 2/6/2012
Last Amended: 8/20/2012
Status: 9/28/2012-Vetoed by the Governor

Summary:
The California Public Records Act requires state and local agencies to make their records available for public inspection and, upon request of a person, to provide a copy of a public record unless the record is exempt from disclosure. The act requires an agency that has information that constitutes an identifiable public record not otherwise exempt from disclosure that is in an electronic format to make that information available in an electronic format when requested by a person. The act requires the agency to make the information available in an electronic format in which it holds the information. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: LAFCo Administration
CALAFCO Comments: Would add additional requirements for public electronic access to public documents.

SB 1084 (La Malfa R) **Local government: reorganization.**

Current Text: Introduced: 2/14/2012 pdf html
Introduced: 2/14/2012
Status: 5/11/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was S. RLS. on 3/1/2012)



Summary:
Current law, for purposes of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, makes various legislative findings and declarations regarding the use of local government reorganization. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to that provision.

Position: None at this time

CALAFCO Comments: This is a placeholder bill.

SB 1090 (Committee on Governance and Finance) Local government: omnibus bill.

Current Text: Chaptered: 9/14/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 2/15/2012

Last Amended: 8/20/2012

Status: 9/14/2012-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 330, Statutes of 2012

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Summary:

Would require the Controller to publish the annual reports of the financial transactions of each school district on the Internet Web site of the Controller. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: None at this time

CALAFCO Comments: Senate Omnibus bill. At this time it does not contain any LAFCo-related legislation.

PRIORITY 3

AB 1902 (Jones R) Publication: newspaper of general circulation: Internet Web site.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2012

Status: 5/11/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was A. L. GOV. on 4/18/2012)

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Summary:

Current law requires that various types of notices are provided in a newspaper of general circulation. Current law requires a newspaper of general circulation to meet certain criteria, including, among others, that it be published and have a substantial distribution to paid subscribers in the city, district, or judicial district in which it is seeking adjudication. This bill would provide that a newspaper that is available on an Internet Web site may also qualify as a newspaper of general circulation, provided that newspaper meets certain criteria.

Position: None at this time
Subject: LAFCo Administration
CALAFCO Comments: Allows posting of notices in a web-based newspaper.

AB 2452 (Ammiano D) Political Reform Act of 1974: online disclosure.

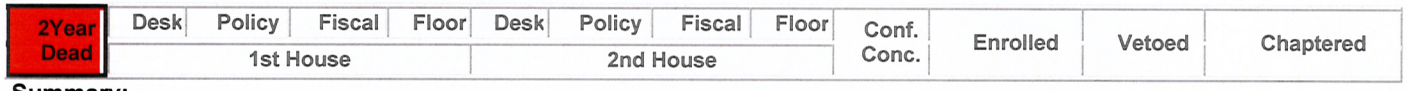
Current Text: Chaptered: 7/13/2012 pdf html
Introduced: 2/24/2012
Last Amended: 5/8/2012
Status: 7/13/2012-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 126, Statutes of 2012

Summary:
Would, with certain exceptions, authorize a local government agency to require an elected officer, candidate, committee, or other person required to file specified statements, reports, or other documents to file those statements, reports, or other documents online or electronically with a local filing officer. The bill would prescribe criteria that must be satisfied by a local government agency that requires online or electronic filing of statements, reports, or other documents, as specified, including, among others, that the system be available free of charge to filers and to the public for viewing filings, and that the system include a procedure for filers to comply with the requirement that they sign statements and reports under penalty of perjury. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: None at this time
Subject: LAFCo Administration
CALAFCO Comments: Allows on-line filing of Political Reform Act documents with local agencies.

SB 1149 (DeSaulnier D) Bay Area Regional Commission.

Current Text: Amended: 5/15/2012 pdf html
Introduced: 2/21/2012
Last Amended: 5/15/2012
Status: 5/25/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(8). (Last location was S. APPR. on 5/15/2012)



Summary:
Would create the Bay Area Regional Commission with specified powers and duties, including the powers and duties previously exercised by the joint policy committee. The bill would require the regional entities that are funding the joint policy committee to continue to provide the same amount of funding as provided in the 2012-13 fiscal year, as adjusted for inflation, but to provide those funds to the commission rather than to the committee. The

bill would provide for the Bay Area Toll Authority to make contributions to the commission, as specified, in furtherance of the exercise of the authority's toll bridge powers. The bill would require federal and state funds made available to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission for purposes of transportation planning to be budgeted to the Bay Area Regional Commission. The bill would specify the powers and duties of the commission relative to the other regional entities referenced above, including the power to approve the budgets of those regional entities and to develop an integrated budget for the commission and the regional entities. The bill would provide for the commission's executive director to develop a regional reorganization plan, with consolidation of certain administrative functions of the regional entities under the commission, with a final plan to be adopted by the commission by June 30, 2016. The bill would require organization of the regional entities as divisions of the commission, and would require the executive director to recommend candidates for vacant executive director positions at the regional entities as these positions become vacant. The bill would require the commission to adopt public and community outreach policies by October 31, 2015. The bill would require the commission to review and comment on policies and plans relative to the transportation planning sustainable communities strategy of the regional entities under Senate Bill 375 of the 2007-08 Regular Session, and beginning on January 1, 2017, the bill would provide for the commission to adopt or seek modifications to the functional regional plan adopted by each regional entity in that regard and would provide that the commission is responsible for ensuring that the regional sustainable communities strategy for the region is consistent with Senate Bill 375 of the 2007-08 Regular Session. The bill would require the commission to prepare a 20-year regional economic development strategy for the region, to be adopted by December 31, 2015, and updated every 4 years thereafter. The bill would require any changes proposed by the commission with respect to bridge toll revenues managed by the Bay Area Toll Authority to be consistent with bond covenants, and would prohibit investment in real property of toll revenues in any reserve fund. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: Sustainable Community Plans

SB 1305 (**Blakeslee** R) **Regional open-space district: County of San Luis Obispo.**

Current Text: Introduced: 2/23/2012 pdf html
Introduced: 2/23/2012
Status: 5/11/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was S. G. & F. on 3/8/2012)

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Summary:
Would permit the formation of a regional open-space district in the County of San Luis Obispo to be initiated by resolution of the county board of supervisors after a noticed hearing, if the boundaries of a proposed district are coterminous with the exterior boundaries of the County of San Luis Obispo. The bill would specify the contents of the resolution, including a requirement to call an election, as prescribed.

Position: None at this time
Subject: Special District Principle Acts
CALAFCO Comments: Allows the creation of an open space district in San Luis Obispo County and circumvents the LAFCo process.

SB 1337 (DeSaulnier D) Zone 7 Water Agency Act.

Current Text: Amended: 5/1/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Last Amended: 5/1/2012

Status: 5/25/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(8). (Last location was S. APPR. on 5/1/2012)

2Year Dead	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:

Would create the Zone 7 Water Agency, as prescribed, with specified authorizations, powers, and duties. This bill would permit the Alameda County Local Agency Formation Commission to exclude some or all of the agency's territory from the boundaries of the district and would eliminate from the district act provisions relating to the governance of a zone lying, in whole or in part, in Pleasanton or Murray Townships. This bill would authorize the agency to continue to impose any special taxes based upon assessed value or any other special taxes, assessments, or charges imposed by or on behalf of the former Zone 7, would authorize the agency to impose new special taxes or levy assessments, as prescribed, and would require any taxes or assessments to be levied and collected together with taxes for county purposes, as specified. This bill would also authorize the agency to designate the county treasury as its treasury, as prescribed. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: None at this time

Subject: Water

CALAFCO Comments: CALAFCO typically opposes legislation which circumvents the LAFCo process. This is a slightly different situation where the legislature is being asked to change an old special act district (which would have previously circumvented the LAFCo process) with some complex changes.

SB 1380 (Rubio D) Environmental quality: California Environmental Quality Act: bicycle transportation plan.

Current Text: Amended: 8/21/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Last Amended: 8/21/2012

Status: 9/1/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was A. INACTIVE FILE on 8/28/2012)

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Summary:

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of, an environmental impact report (EIR) on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is

no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. CEQA requires the lead agencies to make specified findings in an EIR. This bill, until January 1, 2018, would exempt from CEQA a bicycle transportation plan for an urbanized area, as specified, and would also require a local agency that determines that the bicycle transportation plan is exempt under this provision and approves or determines to carry out that project, to file notice of the determination with OPR and the county clerk . This bill would require OPR to post specified information on its Internet Web site, as prescribed. This bill contains other current laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: CEQA
CALAFCO Comments: The bill has been significantly amended to require certain documentation in a CEQA report prepared for a Bicycle Transportation Plan.

SB 1459 (De León D) Regional and local park districts: cities and counties.

Current Text: Introduced: 2/24/2012 pdf html
Introduced: 2/24/2012
Status: 5/11/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was S. RLS. on 3/22/2012)

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Summary:
Current law prescribes procedures for the formation of regional park districts, regional park and open-space districts, or regional open-space districts. Current law authorizes 3 or more cities, together with any parcel or parcels of city or county territory, whether in the same or different counties, to organize and incorporate, but requires that all the territory in the proposed district be contiguous. This bill would revise the above authorization to instead only allow district formation for 4 or more cities.

Position: None at this time
Subject: Special District Principle Acts

SB 1501 (Kehoe D) Open-space easements.

Current Text: Chaptered: 9/30/2012 pdf html
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Last Amended: 4/11/2012
Status: 9/30/2012-Chaptered by the Secretary of State, Chapter Number 875, Statutes of 2012

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Summary:
Would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: None at this time

Subject: Ag/Open Space Protection

CALAFCO Comments: Currently a placeholder bill regarding open space easements.

SB 1519 (Fuller R) **Desert View Water District-Bighorn Mountains Water Agency consolidation.**

Current Text: Introduced: 2/24/2012 pdf html

Introduced: 2/24/2012

Status: 5/11/2012-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was S. RLS. on 3/22/2012)

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Summary:

Current law, the Desert View Water District-Bighorn Mountains Water Agency Consolidation Law, effected a consolidation between the Desert View Water District and the Bighorn Mountains Water Agency and required the successor board of directors to operate under the Bighorn Mountains Water Agency Law. Under current law, for a period of not less than 10 years after January 1, 1990, meetings of the successor board of directors are required to be held, as prescribed. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change in these provisions.

Position: None at this time

Subject: Special District Principle Acts

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