CALAFCO Legislative Report Dated May 6, 2013

Attachment 1

CALAFCO Daily Legislative Report as of Monday, May 06, 2013

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AB 453 **(Mullin D) Sustainable communities.**
Current Text: Introduced: 2/19/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/19/2013
Status: 4/17/2013-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.

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Summary:
The Strategic Growth Councill 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.
Attachments:
CALAFCO Support Letter 03 12 13

Position: Sponsor
Subject: Sustainable Community Plans
CALAFCO Comments: This would allow LAFCos to apply directly for grants that support the preparation of sustainable community strategies and other planning efforts.

AB 678 **(Gordon D) Health care districts: community health needs assessment.**
Current Text: Amended: 4/15/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/21/2013
Last Amended: 4/15/2013
Status: 5/1/2013-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 19. Noes 0.) (April 30). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

2Year Dead	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:
Would require that the health care district conduct an assessment, every 5 years, of the community's health needs and provide opportunities for public input. Commencing January 1, 2019, the bill would require the annual reports to address the progress made in meeting the community's health needs in the context of the assessment. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.
Attachments:
CALAFCO Letter of support April 17, 2014

Position: Support
Subject: LAFCo Administration, Service Reviews/Spheres
CALAFCO Comments: This bill requires Health Care Districts that do not operate their own hospital facilties to create every 5 years, an assessment of the community health needs with public input. The bill requires LAFCos to include in a Municipal Service Review (MSR) the Health Care District's 5-year assessment.

AB 743 **(Logue R) The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000.**

Current Text: Amended: 4/3/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/21/2013
Last Amended: 4/3/2013
Status: 4/25/2013-In Senate. Read first time. To Com. on RLS. for assignment.

2Year Dead	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:
The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 authorizes a local agency formation commission to approve, after notice and hearing, a petition for a change of organization or reorganization of a city, if the petition was initiated on or after January 1, 2010, and before January 1, 2014, and waive protest proceedings entirely if certain requirements are met. This provision applies only to territory that does not exceed 150 acres. This Bill would delete the January 1, 2014, date and make conforming changes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.
Attachments:
CALAFCO Letter of support April 10, 2013

Position: Support
Subject: Annexation Proceedings, CKH General Procedures
CALAFCO Comments: As amended, this bill removes the sunset date provision to waive protest proceedings for certain island annexations. The size of the island areas for the purposes of annexation under this provision has been amended back to 150 acres.

Unincorporated islands are more costly and inefficient for counties to administer as opposed to the local municipality. A sunset date was initially established on this ability to encourage the use of the provision and was extended to allow cities and LAFCOs additional time to implement island annexation programs. The unforeseen economic downturn over the past five years has significantly hampered the initial progress, and with the sunset ready to expire at the beginning of next year, cities and LAFCos have yet to complete the work that the law intended them to do. Over the twelve year period since the law was established, hundreds of islands have been annexed, yet hundreds more remain.

Additionally, the bill was amended to reset the effective island creation date from January 1, 2000 to January 1, 2014 thus allowing smaller islands of less than 150 acres created after 2000 to be annexed under these provisions. Many of these current islands remained as remnants of larger substantially surrounded island areas that had irregular boundaries or were affected by the annexation of territory for newer development.

AB 1427 **(Committee on Local Government) Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000.**

Current Text: Amended: 4/30/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 4/1/2013
Last Amended: 4/30/2013
Status: 5/1/2013-Re-referred to Com. on L. GOV.

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Calendar:
5/8/2013 1:30 p.m. - State Capitol, Room 127 ASSEMBLY LOCAL GOVERNMENT, ACHADJIAN, Chair
Summary:
For purposes of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000, existing law defines an independent district or independent special district to

include any special district having a legislative body all of whose members are elected by registered voters and landowners within the district, or whose members are appointed to fixed terms. This bill would specify that the definition excludes any independent special district having a legislative body consisting, in whole or in part, of ex officio members who are officers of a county or another local agency or who are appointees of those officers other than those who are appointed to fixed terms. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Sponsor
Subject: CKH General Procedures
CALAFCO Comments: Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Omnibus bill.

SB 56 **(Roth D) Local government finance: vehicle license fee adjustments.**
Current Text: Amended: 4/23/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 1/7/2013
Last Amended: 4/23/2013
Status: 5/1/2013-Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

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Summary:
Would, for the 2013-14 fiscal year, provide for a new vehicle license fee adjustment amount, as specified. This bill would also, for the 2013-14 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, provide for a vehicle license fee adjustment amount for certain cities incorporating after a specified date, as provided. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.
Attachments:
CALAFCO Letter of support April 10, 2013

Position: Support
Subject: Financial Viability of Agencies, Tax Allocation
CALAFCO Comments: This bill reinstates revenues through ERAF (backfilled by the state general Fund) for cities incoporating after 2005 and annexations of inhabited territories.

SB 772 **(Emmerson R) Drinking water.**
Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/22/2013
Status: 4/10/2013-Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

2Year	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:
Would require the State Department of Public Health or the local health agency, where applicable, annually to provide the address and telephone number for each public water system and state small water system to the Public Utilities Commission and, as prescribed, to a local agency formation commission. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.
Attachments:
CALAFCO Letter of Opposition April 10, 2013

Position: Oppose
Subject: LAFCo Administration, Service Reviews/Spheres
CALAFCO Comments: Requires LAFCos as part of a MSR, to request information from identified public or private entities that provide wholesale or retail supply of drinking water, including the identification of any retail water suppliers within or contiguous to the responding entity. Further requires LAFCos to provide a copy of the SOI review for

retail private and public water suppliers to the Public Utilities Commission and the state department of Public Health.

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AB 21 **(Alejo D) Safe Drinking Water Small Community Emergency Grant Fund.**
Current Text: Amended: 2/14/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 12/3/2012
Last Amended: 2/14/2013
Status: 4/10/2013-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.

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Summary:
Would authorize the Department of Public Health to assess a specified annual charge in lieu of interest on loans for water projects made pursuant to the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund, and deposit that money into the Safe Drinking Water Small Community Emergency Grant Fund, which the bill would create in the State Treasury. The bill would authorize the department to expend the money for grants for specified water projects that serve disadvantaged and severely disadvantaged communities, thereby making an appropriation.

Position: Watch
Subject: Disadvantaged Communities

AB 37 **(Perea D) Environmental quality: California Environmental Quality Act: record of proceedings.**
Current Text: Amended: 3/18/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 12/3/2012
Last Amended: 3/18/2013
Status: 5/1/2013-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to APPR. suspense file.

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Summary:
Would require, until January 1, 2017, for specified projects or upon the request of a project applicant and the consent of the lead agency, that the lead agency among other things, prepare a record of proceedings concurrently with the preparation of negative declarations, mitigated negative declarations, EIRs, or other environmental documents for specified projects. Because the bill would require , for specified projects, a lead agency to prepare the record of proceedings as provided, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: CEQA

AB 115 **(Perea D) Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.**
Current Text: Introduced: 1/14/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 1/14/2013
Status: 5/2/2013-Referred to Com. on E.Q.

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Summary:
Would authorize the State Department of Public Health to fund projects, by grant, loan, or a combination of the two, where multiple water systems apply for funding as a single

applicant for the purpose of consolidating water systems or extending services to households relying on private wells, as specified. The bill would authorize funding of a project to benefit a disadvantaged community that is not the applying agency. By authorizing the use of a continuously appropriated fund for new purposes, this bill would make an appropriation. This bill contains other existing laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: Water

AB 194 **(Campos D) Open meetings: protections for public criticism: penalties for violations.**

Current Text: Introduced: 1/28/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 1/28/2013
Status: 4/18/2013-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

2Year Dead	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:
Would make it a misdemeanor for a member of a legislative body, while acting as the chairperson of a legislative body of a local agency, to prohibit public criticism protected under the Ralph M. Brown Act. This bill would authorize a district attorney or any interested person to commence an action for the purpose of obtaining a judicial determination that an action taken by a legislative body of a local agency in violation of the protection for public criticism is null and void, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: LAFCo Administration
CALAFCO Comments: Prohibits legislative body from preventing public criticism of the policies, procedures, programs, or services of the agency, or ther acts or omissions of the legislative body. Creates new misdemeanor crime.

AB 543 **(Campos D) California Environmental Quality Act: translation.**
Current Text: Amended: 4/22/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/20/2013
Last Amended: 4/22/2013
Status: 5/2/2013-From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 6. Noes 3.) (April 29).

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Calendar:
5/6/2013 #103 ASSEMBLY ASSEMBLY SECOND READING FILE
Summary:
Would require a lead agency to translate, as specified, certain notices required by the California Environmental Quality Act and a summary of any negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration, or environmental impact report when the impacted community has a substantial number of non-English-speaking people, as defined. By requiring a lead agency to translate these notices and documents, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: CEQA
CALAFCO Comments: Requires a lead agency to translate certain notices, summary of a negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration, or environmental impact report when the impcated community has 5% or more non-English speaking people

affected by the project. The requirement is to translate these notices and summaries in the native language of those impacted. This is an unfunded mandate. While LAFCo is not typically the lead agency, there may be an occasion when they are, and this could have significant resource implications.

AB 823 **(Eggman D) Environment: California Farmland Protection Act.**
Current Text: Amended: 4/23/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/21/2013
Last Amended: 4/23/2013
Status: 4/30/2013-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on AGRI. (Ayes 6. Noes 3.) (April 29). Re-referred to Com. on AGRI.

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Summary:
Would enact the California Farmland Protection Act, which would require that a lead agency reviewing a development project, as defined, require that all feasible mitigation of the identified significant environmental impacts associated with the conversion of agricultural lands be completed by the project applicant, as prescribed, and would require the lead agency to consider the permanent protection or replacement of agricultural land as feasible mitigation for identified significant effects on agricultural land caused by a development project. By imposing new duties on a lead agency with regard to the review and approval of the mitigation measures required by the act, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: Ag/Open Space Protection, CEQA
CALAFCO Comments: Adds a requirement for lead agencies to require certain mitigation measures for projects that convert ag lands for non-ag land use. These mitigation measures at a minimum require providing replacement acreage in perpetuity to preserve ag land and ensure the sustainability of ag production capacity.

AB 1235 **(Gordon D) Local agencies: financial management training.**
Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/22/2013
Status: 5/2/2013-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 7. Noes 2.) (May 1). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

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Summary:
Would require that if a local agency provides any type of compensation, salary, or stipend to, or reimburses the expenses of, a member of the legislative body, all local agency officials, except a member whose term of office ends before January 1, 2015, in local agency service as of January 1, 2014, or thereafter receive training in financial management, as specified. This bill would provide that if any entity develops criteria for the financial management training, then the Treasurer's office and the Controller's office shall be consulted regarding any proposed course content. Because this bill would impose new duties on local governments, it would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: LAFCo Administration
CALAFCO Comments: Requires that if a local agency provides any type of compensation, salary, or stipend to, or reimburses the expenses of, a member of the legislative body, the member shall receive one-4 hour state mandated Financial Management training per term of office. Effective January 1, 2014 for those in office as

of that date (whose term of office extends beyond January 1, 2015). Those elected to more than one legislative body may take the training one time and have it apply to all legislative bodies on which they serve. This would apply to a LAFCo Commissioner who receives a stipend or is reimbursed for expenses in the performance of their Commissioner duties.

AB 1248 **(Cooley D) Local agencies: internal control guidelines.**
Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/22/2013
Status: 4/25/2013-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 9. Noes 0.) (April 24). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

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Calendar:
5/8/2013 9 a.m. - State Capitol, Room 4202 ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, GATTO, Chair
Summary:
Would require the Controller, on or before January 1, 2015, to develop internal control guidelines applicable to a local agency, as defined, to prevent and detect financial errors and fraud, based on specified standards and with input from any local agency and organizations representing the interests of local agencies. This bill would require a local agency to comply with the guidelines established by the Controller, starting on January 1, 2016. By mandating local agencies to comply with new internal control guidelines established by the Controller, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: None at this time
Subject: LAFCo Administration

SB 167 **(Gaines R) Environmental quality: California Environmental Quality Act.**
Current Text: Introduced: 2/4/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/4/2013
Status: 2/14/2013-Referred to Com. on RLS.

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Summary:
The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared by contract, and certify the completion of, an environmental impact report on a project, as defined, 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. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.

Position: Watch
Subject: CEQA

SB 181 **(Committee on Governance and Finance) Validations.**
Current Text: Introduced: 2/6/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/6/2013
Status: 4/11/2013-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

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Summary:
This bill would enact the First Validating Act of 2013, 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.

Position: Support
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: Introduced: 2/6/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/6/2013
Status: 4/11/2013-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

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Summary:
This bill would enact the Second Validating Act of 2013, 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.

Position: Support
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: Introduced: 2/6/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/6/2013
Status: 3/21/2013-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

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Summary:
This bill would enact the Third Validating Act of 2013, which would validate the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state and counties, cities, and specified districts, agencies, and entities.

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

SB 617 **(Evans D) California Environmental Quality Act.**
Current Text: Amended: 4/1/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/22/2013
Last Amended: 4/1/2013
Status: 5/3/2013-Set for hearing May 13.

2Year Dead	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Calendar:
5/13/2013 10 a.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, DE LEóN, Chair
Summary:
Would require specified notices to be filed with both the Office of Planning and Research and the county clerk and be posted by county clerk for public review. The bill would require the county clerk to post the notices within one business day, as defined, of receipt and stamp on the notice the date on which the notices were actually posted. By expanding the services provided by the lead agency and the county clerk, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: CEQA
CALAFCO Comments: This bill makes a number of substantive changes including:(1) expanding the definition of "environment" relating to an EIR such that the health and safety of people affected by the physical conditions at the location of a project must also be considered;(2)enhances the definition of "significant effect on the environment" by including exposure of people, either directly or indirectly, to substantial existing or reasonably foreseeable natural hazard or adverse condition of the environment;(3) requires concurrent online filing of notices in a database maintained by the Office of Planning and Research (OPR), and with the office of the County Clerk in which the project is located. Further, any time periods or limitation periods will begin at the time of the later filing of the two offices.(4)Adds to the EIR a requirement to address any significant effects that may result from locating development near, or attracting people to, existing or reasonably foreseeable natural hazards or adverse environmental conditions.

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AB 168 **(Wilk R) Local government finance: vehicle license fee revenues: allocations.**
Current Text: Introduced: 1/24/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 1/24/2013
Status: 1/25/2013-From printer. May be heard in committee February 24.

2Year Dead	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:
Under existing law, the Controller is required to allocate vehicle license fee revenues in the Motor Vehicle License Fee Account according to a specified order, with moneys allocated on or after July 1, 2004, but before July 1, 2011, first to the County of Orange, next to each city and county meeting specified criteria, and on or after July 1, 2011, to the Local Law Enforcement Services Account in the Local Revenue Fund, for allocation to cities, counties, and cities and counties. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

Position: Placeholder - monitor

AB 262 **(Waldron R) Local government: organization.**
Current Text: Introduced: 2/7/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/7/2013
Status: 2/8/2013-From printer. May be heard in committee March 10.

2Year Dead	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:
The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 makes certain findings and declarations relating to local government organization, including, among other things, that it is the policy of the state to encourage orderly growth and development, and recognition that the logical formation and determination of the boundaries of local agencies is an important factor in promoting orderly development, as specified. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

Position: Placeholder - monitor
Subject: CKH General Procedures

AB 380 **(Dickinson D) California Environmental Quality Act: notice requirements**

Current Text: Introduced: 2/14/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/14/2013
Status: 5/2/2013-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 7. Noes 0.) (May 1). Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

2Year Dead	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf. Conc.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:
Would require the above mentioned notices to be filed with both the Office of Planning and Research and the county clerk and be posted by county clerk for public review. The bill would require the county clerk to post the notices within one business day, as defined, of receipt and stamp on the notice the date on which the notices were actually posted. The bill would require the county clerk to post the notices for at least 30 days. The bill would require the Office of Planning and Research to post the notices on a publicly available online database established and maintained by the office. The bill would require the office to stamp the notices with the date on which the notices were actually posted for online review and would require the notices to be posted for at least 30 days. The bill would authorize the office to charge an administrative fee not to exceed $10 per notice filed. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: CEQA

AB 495 **(Campos D) Community investment.**
Current Text: Amended: 3/21/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/20/2013
Last Amended: 3/21/2013
Status: 4/23/2013-In committee: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

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Summary:
Would establish the California Community Investment Initiative within the Governor's Office of Business and Economic development. The initiative would be governed by a 13 member oversight board comprised of 6 citizens appointed by the Governor, 4 members of the Legislature, the Treasurer, the Controller, and the Secretary of the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: Disadvantaged Communities
CALAFCO Comments: Establishes the California Communty Investment Initiative focused on serving low income communities through developing community development strategies.

AB 515 **(Dickinson D) Environmental quality: California Environmental Quality Act: judicial review.**
Current Text: Amended: 3/11/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/20/2013
Last Amended: 3/11/2013
Status: 4/23/2013-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

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Summary:
Would establish a CEQA compliance division of the superior court in a county in which the Attorney General maintains an office and would vest the division with original jurisdiction over actions of proceedings brought pursuant to CEQA and joined matters related to land use and environmental laws. The bill would require the Judicial Council to adopt rules for establishing, among other things, protocol to govern the administration and efficient operation of the division , so that those judges assigned to the division will be able to hear and quickly resolve those actions or proceedings. This bill contains other existing laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: CEQA
CALAFCO Comments: As amended, this bill establishes a CEQA compliance division of the superior court in certain counties. This court has original jurisdiction over all CEQA compliance and joined matters related to land use and environmental laws. Reviews of the decisions made by this court are done through a petition for an extraordinary writ. This bill also adds that actions or proceedings filed with alleged grounds for noncompliance require enough specificity for the public agency to reasonably respond.

AB 629 **(Wilk R) Local government.**
Current Text: Introduced: 2/20/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/20/2013
Status: 2/21/2013-From printer. May be heard in committee March 23.

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Summary:
Current law authorizes various local entities to adopt rules and regulations to carry out the purposes of those entities. This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would address the effect of the adoption of rules, regulations, ordinances, or requirements by local entities on the public and other local entities within the same jurisdiction.

Position: Placeholder - monitor
Subject: LAFCo Administration

AB 642 **(Rendon D) Publication: newspaper of general circulation: Internet Web site.**
Current Text: Introduced: 2/20/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/20/2013
Status: 3/11/2013-Referred to Com. on JUD.

2Year	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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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 for posting of agendas and meeting material on newspaper websites.

AB 690 **(Campos D) Jobs and infrastructure financing districts: voter approval.**

Current Text: Amended: 4/9/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/21/2013
Last Amended: 4/9/2013
Status: 4/16/2013-In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.

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Summary:
Would revise and recast the provisions governing infrastructure financing districts and instead provide for the creation of jobs and infrastructure financing districts (JIDs) without voter approval , and would make various conforming changes . The bill would authorize a public financing authority to enter into joint powers agreements with affected taxing entities with regard to nontaxing authority or powers only. The bill would authorize a district to implement hazardous cleanup pursuant to the Polanco Redevelopment Act, as specified. This bill contains other existing laws.

Position: Watch

AB 774 **(Donnelly R) County service areas: zone dissolution.**
Current Text: Amended: 3/19/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/21/2013
Last Amended: 3/19/2013
Status: 4/18/2013-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on JUD. (Ayes 6. Noes 2.) (April 17). Re-referred to Com. on JUD.

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Summary:
Would require the county board of supervisors, upon dissolution of a county service area or a specified zone, to post signs indicating which services and facilities are no longer provided within the zone and require the board to provide adequate maintenance to the signs. This bill would provide that, once the signs are posted, the county and the dissolved zone shall not be held liable for death or injury resulting from the termination of services or facilities. This bill would also provide that the county, county service area, and zones would not be responsible for a loss or injury resulting from the failure to provide maintenance of services or facilities if the board is unable to raise revenues.

Position: Watch

AB 792 **(Mullin D) Local government: open meetings.**
Current Text: Amended: 4/1/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/21/2013
Last Amended: 4/1/2013
Status: 4/8/2013-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.

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Calendar:
5/6/2013 #113 ASSEMBLY ASSEMBLY THIRD READING FILE
Summary:
The Ralph M. Brown Act requires the legislative body of a local agency to post, at least 72 hours before the meeting, an agenda containing a brief general description of each item of business to be transacted or discussed at a regular meeting, in a location that is freely accessible to members of the public, and to provide a notice containing similar information with respect to a special meeting at least 24 hours prior to the special meeting. This bill, if the local agency is unable to post the agenda or notice on its Internet Web site because of software or hardware, or network services impairment beyond the local agency's reasonable control, would require the local agency to post the

agenda or notice immediately upon resolution of the technological problems. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: None at this time
Subject: Public Records Act
CALAFCO Comments: Relates to public agencies who post their meeting information on their website pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act. In the instances where they are unable to post the agenda on the website in the prescribed timeframe due to technology difficulties, the agency is required to post the meeting agenda and information on the website as soon as the technological difficulties are resolved.

AB 966 **(Bonta D) Local government.**
Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/22/2013
Status: 2/25/2013-Read first time.

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Summary:
Current law generally regulates the governance of cities, counties, and cities and counties. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would amend the Government Code.

Position: Placeholder - monitor

AB 1237 **(Garcia D) Local government finance.**
Current Text: Amended: 4/1/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/22/2013
Last Amended: 4/1/2013
Status: 4/30/2013-In committee: Set, final hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

2Year	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Desk	Policy	Fiscal	Floor	Conf.	Enrolled	Vetoed	Chaptered
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Summary:
Would specifically require the Controller to prescribe uniform accounting procedures for cities, conforming to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, and in consultation with the Committee on City Accounting Procedures, which would be created by the bill. The bill would specify the composition of the committee. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: Financial Viability of Agencies
CALAFCO Comments: Establishes uniform accounting practices for special districts and cities.

AB 1244 **(Bradford D) Williamson Act.**
Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/22/2013
Status: 2/25/2013-Read first time.

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Summary:
Current law establishes the California Land Conservation Act of 1965, otherwise known as the Williamson Act, for purposes of preserving agricultural land within the state. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to these provisions.

Position: Watch

Subject: Ag Preservation - Williamson

SB 184 **(Committee on Governance and Finance) Local government: omnibus bill.**
Current Text: Amended: 4/9/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/6/2013
Last Amended: 4/9/2013
Status: 5/2/2013-In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.

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Summary:
Current law, the Public Cemetery District Law, defines the term "family member" for purposes of that law to include, among others, a person's spouse. This bill would additionally include within the definition of "family member" a person's domestic partner, and would define the term "domestic partner," as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Position: None at this time

SB 268 **(Gaines R) Political Reform Act of 1974.**
Current Text: Amended: 3/18/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/13/2013
Last Amended: 3/18/2013
Status: 4/25/2013-Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

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Summary:
The Political Reform Act of 1974 requires candidates and committees to file specified campaign finance reports, including semiannual statements, preelection statements, supplemental preelection statements, and late contribution reports, that include prescribed campaign finance information. This bill would repeal the requirements to file these reports and would, instead, require that a candidate or committee who makes or receives a contribution of $100 or more to report that contribution to specified filing officers within 24 hours of receiving the contribution. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Watch

SB 359 **(Corbett D) Environment: CEQA exemption: housing projects.**
Current Text: Amended: 4/1/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/20/2013
Last Amended: 4/1/2013
Status: 5/3/2013-Set for hearing May 13.

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Calendar:
5/13/2013 10 a.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, DE LEóN, Chair
Summary:
CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. This bill would instead exempt as "residential" a use consisting of residential units and neighborhood-serving goods, services, or retail uses that do not exceed 25% of the total building square

footage of the project. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: CEQA
CALAFCO Comments: This bill would exempt as "residential" a use consisting of residential units and neighborhood-serving goods, services, or retail uses that do not exceed 25% of the total building square footage of the project.

SB 436 **(Jackson D) California Environmental Quality Act: notice.**
Current Text: Amended: 4/3/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/21/2013
Last Amended: 4/3/2013
Status: 5/3/2013-Set for hearing May 13.

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Calendar:
5/13/2013 10 a.m. - John L. Burton Hearing Room (4203)
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, DE LEóN, Chair
Summary:
Would require a lead agency to conduct at least one public scoping meeting for the specified projects and to provide notice to the specified entities of at least one public scoping meeting. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Watch
Subject: CEQA
CALAFCO Comments: Requires lead agencies to conduct at least one public scoping meeting for proposed projects and increases notification requirements for lead agencies.

SB 633 **(Pavley D) CEQA.**
Current Text: Amended: 4/11/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/22/2013
Last Amended: 4/11/2013
Status: 5/2/2013-From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Com. on APPR. (Ayes 8. Noes 0.) (May 1).

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Calendar:
5/6/2013 #11 SENATE SENATE BILLS-SECOND READING FILE
Summary:
The California Environmental Quality Act prohibits a lead agency or responsible agency from requiring a subsequent or supplemental environmental impact report (EIR) when an EIR has been prepared for a project pursuant to its provisions, unless one or more of specified events occurs, including, among other things, that new information, which was not known and could not have been known at the time the EIR was certified as complete, becomes available. This bill would specifically require that the new information that becomes available was not known and could not have been known by the lead agency or any responsible agency at the time the EIR was certified as complete.

Position: None at this time
Subject: CEQA

SB 731 **(Steinberg D) Environment: California Environmental Quality Act and sustainable communities strategy.**
Current Text: Amended: 4/23/2013 pdf html

Introduced: 2/22/2013
Last Amended: 4/23/2013
Status: 5/1/2013-Do pass as amended, and re-refer to the Committee on Appropriations

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Summary:
Would provide that aesthetic impacts of a residential, mixed-use residential, or employment center project, as defined, within a transit priority area, as defined, shall not be considered significant impacts on the environment. The bill would require the Office of Planning and Research to prepare and propose, and the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to certify and adopt, revisions to the guidelines for the implementation of CEQA establishing thresholds of significance for noise, and for the transportation and parking impacts of residential, mixed-use residential, or employment center projects within transit priority areas. The bill would require the lead agency, in making specified findings, to make those findings available to the public at least 15 days prior to the approval of the proposed project and to provide specified notice of the availability of the findings for public review. Because the bill would require the lead agency to make the draft finding available for public review and to provide specified notices to the public, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Position: Placeholder - monitor
Subject: CEQA

SB 739 **(Calderon D) Environmental quality.**
Current Text: Introduced: 2/22/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 2/22/2013
Status: 3/11/2013-Referred to Com. on RLS.

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Summary:
The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to that definition. This bill contains other existing laws.

Position: Placeholder - monitor
Subject: CEQA

SCA 11 **(Hancock D) Local government: special taxes: voter approval.**
Current Text: Introduced: 1/25/2013 pdf html
Introduced: 1/25/2013
Status: 4/10/2013-Set for hearing May 15.

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Calendar:
5/15/2013 9:30 a.m. - Room 112 SENATE GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE, WOLK, Chair
Summary:
The California Constitution conditions the imposition of a special tax by a local government upon the approval of 2/3 of the voters of the local government voting on that tax, and prohibits a local government from imposing an ad valorem tax on real property or a transactions tax or sales tax on the sale of real property. This measure would instead condition the imposition, extension, or increase of a special tax by a local

government upon the approval of 55% of the voters voting on the proposition. The measure would also make conforming and technical, nonsubstantive changes.

Position: Watch

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