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SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION 1985-86 LEGISLATIVE SESSION



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INTRODUCTION

This report contains summaries of bills that were referred to, and considered by, the Assembly Transportation Committee during the 1985-86 Session. Bills that were passed by the Legislature and became law are shown with the year of passage and chapter number. Bills that did not become law are shown with the reason indicated.

The summary includes all bills that were heard by the Assembly Transportation Committee, while bills that were dropped by the author in advance of a hearing are not included. Some bills could have been appropriately placed in several subject categories; an effort was made to place each bill under the most appropriate subject heading.

As used in this report, "ARB" refers to the Air Resources Board, "CHP" refers to the California Highway Patrol, "DMV" refers to the Department of Motor Vehicles, and "Caltrans" refers to the Department of Transportation. "Urgency" indicates the measure took effect immediately on becoming law, while most legislation is effective the following January 1.

A number of bills were referred to interim hearing as indicated in the bill summaries. Committee reports are available for the following interim and special hearings conducted during the 1985-86 Session:

- o Driver Safety (AB 70) September 19, 1985
- o Gas Tax Apportionments: Counties (AB 1460) October 17, 1985
- Overweight Truck Containers: Who's Responsible (AB 1349, AB 1483) December 4, 1985
- o Truck Safety January 31, 1986
- o 1986-87 Budget Proposals for the Motor Vehicle Account and the State Highway Account - April 2, 1986
- o Auditor General Investigation of Caltrans Excessive Overtime and Travel Claims June 25, 1986

Additional information may be obtained from the Assembly Transportation Committee staff at (916) 445-7278.

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AERONAUTICS

AB 1671 (Condit) Ratifies and validates the allocation and expenditure of \$5,000 in state funds by the City of Atwater in Merced County for airport capital construction purposes rather than maintenance as otherwise required by law. Chapter 23, Statutes of 1986

AB 2066 (Clute) Exempts Caltrans from public hearing requirements for airport construction or expansion if Caltrans determines that the issues to be covered have already been considered in a prior public hearing.

Chapter 390, Statutes of 1985

AB 3762 (Clute) Authorizes Caltrans to reimburse local governments that advance funds for airport noise mitigation projects already programmed in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), when those projects would normally have been funded with state funds. Authorizes Caltrans to establish a subaccount in the Aeronautics Account for managing its airport loan program. Chapter 901, Statutes of 1986

SB 556 (Presley) Places in state law current Caltrans regulations stating that land use conversion from residential to other uses in order to achieve compliance with noise standards is the least desirable action. Deletes the fee requirement for approval of temporary helicopter landing sites within 1,000 feet of any school. Raises the upper limits for compensation for members of an airport district board of directors to \$100.00 per meeting.

Chapter 1180, Statutes of 1985

SB 1655 (Campbell) Prohibits, without a Caltrans permit, the alteration of any structure or natural growth which exceeds Federal Aviation Administration standards in the vicinity of an airport. Chapter 380. Statutes of 1986

SCR 80 (Torres) Establishes the California Commission on Aviation and Airports, comprising 17 members, 16 of whom are legislative appointees. The Commission is to include the Chief of the Division of Aeronautics of Caltrans. Duties of the Commission include reviewing, monitoring, and evaluating state aviation and airport safety regulations and policies, state tax policy regarding aviation, and planning and environmental impact issues relating to airports. The Commission sunsets in 1991, and must report annually to the Legislature and the federal government until that time. Creates a Joint Committee on Aviation and Airports, whose members are the legislative members of the Commission. Resolution Chapter 159 (1986)

SJR 1 (Ellis) Requests the Federal Aviation Administration to issue a rule which would require pilots to be considered intoxicated at the lowest level at which alcohol is detectable in the bloodstream. Resolution Chapter 80 (1985)

SJR 34 (Beverly) Requests the U.S. Secretary of Transportation to expedite approval of the United Airlines-Pan American World Airways agreement involving takeover by United of Pan Am's transpacific routes. (Not heard by Assembly Transportation Committee) Resolution Chapter 69 (1985)

AIR QUALITY

AB 181 (Filante) Allows the Motor Vehicle Inspection Program to include either an advisory safety equipment maintenance check or a fuel efficiency check, or both, as long as the Department of Consumer Affairs finds that the cost of the inspection would not increase by more than 10 percent. Exempts motor vehicles sold by licensed lessor-dealers or dealers from the advisory safety equipment maintenance check. Chapter 230, Statutes of 1985

AB 288 (Kelley) Requires ARB certification of any gasoline vapor recovery system prior to sale or installation of the system. Requires permanent identification on repaired or rebuilt vapor recovery systems, and the removal of identification of the original manufacturer when altered or repaired. Chapter 509, Statutes of 1985

AB 362 (La Follette) Authorizes the ARB to collect late fees and interest from vehicle manufacturers who fail to pay the ARB's emission testing surveillance fees. Chapter 607, Statutes of 1985

AB 2518 (Margolin) Would have required the ARB to evaluate the feasibility and cost effectiveness of reducing diesel-powered vehicle emissions through modifying the composition of diesel fuel, and to conduct a public hearing on or before August 1, 1987 on that evaluation. Died in Senate Transportation Committee

AB 2747 (Kelley) Deletes the January 1, 1987 sunset date on various consumer complaint procedures required of local air pollution control districts and air quality management districts participating in the gasoline vapor recovery program. Chapter 194, Statutes of 1986

AB 2951 (Jones) Permits the ARB to seek an injunction for a violation of any air pollution law, or of ARB rules or regulations.

Chapter 110, Statutes of 1986

AB 3049 (Mountjoy) Would have allowed used car dealers to offer for sale vehicles not yet in compliance with emission laws. Would have required the vehicle to be brought into compliance upon delivery to the purchaser. Would have required dealers to post a notice on any vehicle not in compliance with emission laws. Failed passage in Senate Transportation Committee

AB 3683 (Lancaster) Authorizes the ARB to adopt a schedule of nonconformance fees for manufacturers of heavy duty vehicles which do not meet ARB emission standards. The schedule must be identical to the federal EPA nonconformance fee schedule. Prohibits the ARB from adopting such a schedule without an agreement from EPA that state fees would be substituted for federal fees. Chapter 511, Statutes of 1986

SB 152 (Presley) Authorizes the Department of Consumer Affairs to test diesel-powered vehicles' exhaust emissions, including smoke and particulate emissions, when the Department determines that inclusion of diesel vehicles in the biennial smog inspection program is technologically and economically feasible. Authorizes Caltrans and specified transit operators to negotiate an exchange of State Transportation Assistance funds for a greater amount of

federal transit funds allocated to Arizona which that state cannot use but which may be transferred to California. Urgency. Chapter 530, Statutes of 1985

SB 217 (Deddeh) Requires the ARB to establish a program for certification of vehicle emission systems on direct import used motor vehicles, as defined. Authorizes the ARB to prescribe requirements for laboratories performing emission tests on such vehicles. Enables ARB to adopt fees for licensing labs and issuing certificates. Sets fines and sentences for falsifying test records. Excludes direct import used vehicles with federal certification of conformity and those belonging to an out-of-state resident from program requirements. Includes within the definition of an automotive repair dealer anyone who, for compensation, adjusts, installs or tests retrofit emission control systems on used direct import motor vehicles. Appropriates \$100,000 (General Fund) to the ARB for the certification program in 1985-86. Chapter 1138, Statutes of 1985

SB 777 (Presley) Allows air pollution control districts and air quality management districts whose service areas are only partially air quality nonattainment areas to request to be included in the biennial motor vehicle inspection program. Allows rural nonattainment areas to participate in the motor vehicle inspection program, if their air pollution control districts elect to do so. Chapter 416, Statutes of 1986

SB 984 (Campbell) See Vehicle Registration

SB 1107 (Presley) Authorizes the Bureau of Automotive Repair to issue a citation to a licensee conducting smog inspections with specified civil penalties if there is probable cause to believe that the vehicle inspection laws or regulations have been violated. Provides a hearing procedure for any person cited. Extends the termination date of the Better Auto Repair Program from July 1, 1986 to December 31, 1987. Chapter 703, Statutes of 1985

SB 1118 (Foran) Changes the definition of new direct import motor vehicles, from specified vehicles having less than 7,500 miles on the odometer to vehicles which are less than two years old. Authorizes the ARB to establish a vehicle emission control certification program for new direct import vehicles, and enables the ARB to collect fees to recover ARB's costs for the program. Exempts out-of-state import vehicles with a federal Clean Air Act certification from the state program. Requires that bonding requirements for the new certification program not exceed \$1,000. Requires that vehicle registration cards indicate, whenever possible, that a car is manufactured outside of the U.S. Authorizes DMV to suspend or revoke the licenses of auto dealers or others who violate the certification requirements. Chapter 1235, Statutes of 1985

SB 2413 (Boatwright) Extends the exemption of gasohol from the state's gasoline volatility standards from January 1, 1987 to January 1, 1990. Chapter 1448, Statutes of 1986

SCR 25 (Roberti) Requests the ARB to hold public hearings to consider adopting specified vehicle emission nitrogen oxide (NOx) standards. Directs the ARB to include, within its next annual Kapiloff Acid Deposition Report to the Legislature, strategies to control NOx emissions, needed legislative action, an analysis of the impact of current regulations on acid deposition, and recommendations for reducing acid deposition. Resolution Chapter 102 (1985)

SJR 17 (Marks) Requests the Congress or Coast Guard to undertake a study of vessel air emissions standards, taking into consideration the importance of uniform standards to foreign trade. Resolution Chapter 64 (1985)

SJR 28 (Presley) Urges federal authorities to implement the federal Environmental Protection Agency's proposal to allow automobile manufacturers a credit against their required fuel economy standards for the production of methanol-powered vehicles. Makes findings that most California air basins will not meet ambient air quality standards by 1987, as required by the federal Clean Air Act, and that the substitution of cleaner-burning fuel is the only remaining strategy to significantly reduce air pollution. Resolution Chapter 101 (1985)

BUS SAFETY

- AB 37 (Robinson) Would have prohibited the use of any Type 1 schoolbus after January 1, 1991, unless that schoolbus met federal safety standards. Would have required a report to the Legislature by the CHP by January 15, 1986, on the appropriateness of installation of seat belts in all Type 1 schoolbuses by July 1, 1991. Would have required signs indicating absence of federal safety standard measures on all schoolbuses not meeting those standards by July 1, 1986. Urgency. Vetoed by Governor
- AB 940 (Papan) Requires the CHP, after consultation with the DMV, to adopt procedures specifying circumstances warranting the suspension or revocation of a school bus, school pupil activity bus, or youth bus driver certificate. Prohibits the DMV from suspending or revoking such certificate unless done in accordance with CHP guidelines. Chapter 535, Statutes of 1985
- AB 1974 (Molina) Requires the CHP, with the advice of the State Department of Education, to contract for a study on the safety effects of requiring all Type 1 schoolbuses and school pupil activity buses to be equipped with passenger safety belts. Appropriates \$200,000 from the Driver Penalty Assessment Fund to the CHP for the study. Requires the study to be submitted to the Legislature by March 1, 1987. Urgency. Chapter 329, Statutes of 1986
- AB 2335 (Katz) Would have required any vehicle loaded with gravel or sand to be covered; violation would have been a misdemeanor. Amended in the Senate to instead create a Safe Schoolbus Fuel Efficiency Demonstration Program, administered by the Energy Commission. The Commission would have used \$100 million in Petroleum Violation Escrow Account (PVEA) funds to provide grants for local education agencies to purchase safe, fuel-efficient schoolbuses for participation in a study of fuel consumption. Died on Senate Floor
- AB 2339 (Katz) Would have authorized a \$100 million general obligation bond issue, if approved by the voters at the November 4, 1986 election, for a grant program for the purpose of purchasing and retrofitting schoolbuses to meet federal safety standards. Died on Senate Floor
- AB 2714 (Condit) Would have defined a "dial-a-ride schoolbus" operated by a public transit system and exempted it from the definition of a schoolbus. Would have allowed children to use a dial-a-ride schoolbus under certain conditions. Would have required dial-a-ride schoolbuses to be inspected annually by the CHP. Failed passage in Senate Transportation Committee
- AB 3262 (Katz) Requires charter (tour) buses to be inspected every 45 days. Inspection records are to be monitored by CHP. Requires charter companies to participate in a DMV "pull notice" program for their drivers, to receive immediate notification of convictions, accidents, failures to appear in court, and driver's license actions. Employers must also get reports on all drivers twice annually. Sets a \$15.00 annual fee per tour bus to finance the program. Requires the Public Utilities Commission to suspend the operating authority of charter companies which do not meet these requirements. Sets minimum fines for driving on a suspended or revoked license. Establishes rebuttable presumptions regarding log book and time of service violations.

 Chapter 1306, Statutes of 1986

AB 3665 (Seastrand) Would have created the Schoolbus Replacement Loan Fund, and transferred \$100 million of Petroleum Violation Escrow Account (PVEA) funds to that Fund. The Fund would have been used for interest-free loans for schoolbus replacement to local educational agencies, who would have repaid 75 percent of the loans. Died in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 3666 (Hayden) Requires, effective July 1, 1987, any person who drives a tour bus to have a tour bus driver certificate, in addition to a driver's license. The certificate is to be issued by DMV following training and testing conducted by DMV. Reduces the traffic violation point count tour bus drivers can get before being deemed negligent operators. Chapter 1305, Statutes of 1986

AB 3714 (Johnston) See Driver Licensing

AB 3788 (Cortese) Requires CHP, effective July 1, 1987, to update annually the regulations regarding construction and certification of wheelchair lifts on buses. Requires CHP to appoint an advisory committee as specified to help prepare the regulations. Requires the Department of Rehabilitation, in conjunction with affected departments, transit districts, users, and industries, to form a committee to develop uniform safety standards for construction, installation and use of wheelchair lifts on public and private paratransit vehicles. Chapter 969, Statutes of 1986

AB 4061 (Elder) Would have prohibited the operation of a charter bus without safety belts for each passenger. Would have required buses to be driven in the right hand lane, or other designated bus lane. Failed passage in Senate Transportation Committee

AB 4070 (Filante) Would have allowed youth buses to carry children directly from a nonschool-related youth activity to a public or private school within 25 miles of that activity. Urgency. Died in Senate Transportation Committee

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DRIVER LICENSING

AB 70 (Elder) Authorizes the DMV to renew by mail the driver's license of a person with one traffic accident if the person has no other convictions or failures to appear in the prior two years, if the person was not cited for the accident and has complied with financial responsibility laws.

Chapter 57, Statutes of 1986

AB 557 (Statham) Authorizes the DMV to issue a temporary license to a previously licensed applicant who has failed the written exam on the first attempt. Chapter 743, Statutes of 1985

AB 896 (Hannigan) Requires the DMV to note all accidents on a driver's record in which the driver was involved, except those accidents where a reporting police officer indicates that another individual was at fault. Requires that driving records be open for public inspection. Chapter 1011, Statutes of 1985

AB 940 (Papan) See Bus Safety

AB 2641 (Katz) Authorizes, effective July 1, 1987, a traffic officer to issue a notice of reexamination to a driver who is disobeying a rule of the road, and who exhibits evidence of incapacity such that there is clear or potential risk of injury to himself or others. Requires the driver to report to the DMV for a reexamination within five working days of DMV's receipt of the notice. Requires DMV to peremptorily suspend the driver's license of any driver who does not appear for the reexamination within that time. Chapter 304, Statutes of 1986

AB 2763 (Frizzelle) Defines a "crib sheet" as a paper or device for cheating on DMV driver's license and instruction permit examinations. Makes sale, use or distribution of crib sheets an infraction for the first offense and a misdemeanor for the second offense. Makes the impersonation of an applicant for any examination an infraction for the first offense and a misdemeanor for the second offense. Chapter 960, Statutes of 1986

AB 3255 (Allen) Requires, after January 1, 1988, any person under 18 years of age to complete a motorcycle training program approved by the CHP prior to receiving a Class 4 driver's license. Chapter 753, Statutes of 1986

AB 3714 (Johnson) Would have required the applicant for any certificate to operate a bus, or an applicant for Class 1 or Class 2 driver's license who intended to operate a bus, to furnish proof of an alcohol and drug test. Would have required that any bus driver involved in a bus accident reported under the financial responsibility law to be deemed a negligent operator, and for that driver's license to be suspended unless the person submitted proof of a new drug test performed after the accident. Referred to Interim Study by Assembly Transportation Committee

AJR 104 (Areias) Requests Congress to enact legislation establishing national uniform standards for licensing commercial vehicle drivers, not to preempt more stringent state standards, and providing for a national commercial motor vehicle operator information system. Resolution Chapter 141 (1986)

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HAZARDOUS MATERIALS/WASTES

AB 87 (O'Connell) Appropriates \$3 million from the Special Account for Capital Outlay in the General Fund to Caltrans for construction of one or more platform scales and truck inspection facilities on major state highway routes connecting a major metropolitan area where hazardous wastes are generated and a Class 1 disposal site. Requires Caltrans to seek federal grants to partially or fully fund these projects and to reimburse the General Fund in the amount of the grants, if received. Authorizes counties to use fines and forfeitures received to reimburse the state for construction of truck sales and inspection facilities in the county. Urgency. Chapter 407, Statutes of 1985

AB 1311 (Leonard) Requires Caltrans to compile all existing studies of rail and highway transportation of hazardous materials and to report to the Legislature its recommended solutions to any safety issues. Requires the Public Utilities Commission and the CHP to provide Caltrans with hazardous materials data compiled by those agencies and to recommend solutions to the hazardous materials transportation problem. Chapter 1465, Statutes of 1985

AB 1650 (Konnyu) Requires the CHP to study the risks to public health and safety of hazardous materials transportation in urban areas during commute hours and to report its findings and recommendations to the Legislature by January 1, 1987. Chapter 789, Statutes of 1985

AB 1861 (Campbell) Extends existing restrictions on transportation of hazardous wastes to transportation of hazardous materials. Authorizes these transporters to travel up to one-half mile off any state or interstate highway and authorizes the CHP and local governments to prohibit use of certain highways under specified circumstances. Chapter 814, Statutes of 1985

AB 2859 (O'Connell) Prohibits the issuance of a permit to transport explosives to any person not appropriately licensed to haul hazardous materials or wastes. Exempts public entities owning cargo tanks or tank vehicles from CHP registration fees. Chapter 434, Statutes of 1986

AB 2930 (La Follette) Requires any person transporting hazardous waste to have a valid registration issued by the Department of Health Services in his or her possession, and authorizes a duplicate of the registration to be issued for a \$2.00 fee. Chapter 551, Statutes of 1986

AB 3071 (Peace) Exempts a person transporting hazardous materials in specified agricultural operations from obtaining a hazardous materials certificate from DMV, provided the person has at least a Class 3 driver's license and has completed a CHP-approved course on the handling of hazardous materials. Chapter 741, Statutes of 1986

SB 406 (Seymour) Prohibits any person from operating a combination of vehicles which requires a Class 1 license and which contains bulk liquid loads unless the person has a bulk liquid load certificate. Requires abstracts of conviction of traffic offenses to state whether a driver was required to have hazardous materials/waste certificates and/or bulk liquid load certificates.

Chapter 1345, Statutes of 1985

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HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

AB 91 (Elder) Would have required the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) to be submitted to the Legislature in the form of a bill, and would have required the California Transportation Commission to program at least \$10 million of soundwall projects in the STIP each year. As amended, prohibits Caltrans from adding new projects to the soundwall priority list ahead of projects which have been funded by a city or county and which are awaiting state reimbursement. Chapter 558, Statutes of 1986

AB 721 (Campbell) Would have changed the description of Route 123 to include eight miles of highway now under local government jurisdiction between El Cerrito and Hercules in Contra Costa County. Failed passage in Senate Transportation Committee

AB 1405 (Statham) Makes any person, who willfully or negligently allows the contents of a vehicle to be deposited on a highway, liable for the reasonable cost of removing the materials. Authorizes local authorities who provide cleanup services to seek reimbursement for those services even if the highway is not under their jurisdiction. Chapter 691, Statutes of 1985

AB 1902 (Molina) Deletes a portion of Route 72 from the State Highway System only upon completion of road reconstruction work on Whittier Boulevard by the County of Los Angeles. Chapter 385, Statutes of 1985

AB 1909 (Stirling) Appropriates \$150,000 from the State Highway Account to the Department of Transportation for allocation to the San Diego Association of Governments for development of a breeding program for the Least Bell's Vireo, an endangered bird. Requires state funds to be matched by a like amount of local funds. [Note: Substitute funding for this bill was provided in AB 1024 from section 8(g) offshore oil revenues received by the state.]

Chapter 1434. Statutes of 1985

AB 1979 (Elder) Would have appropriated \$220,000 in Petroleum Violation Escrow Account (PVEA) funds received by the state to the Legislative Analyst for a study on the dynamic compatibility between a highway and the vehicles travelling on a highway. Vetoed by Governor

AB 2193 (La Follette) Would have authorized local government agencies to establish gated streets with limited public access under specified circumstances. Failed passage in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 2330 (Stirling) Authorizes Caltrans to enter into agreements to accept funds or services from any person for maintenance of a section of state highway. Authorizes Caltrans to place 911 emergency telephone numbers on city, town, and county limit signs, when signs are changed for other purposes. Chapter 683, Statutes of 1985

AB 2341 (Katz) Would have provided additional funding for highways, local roads, and transit. As amended, makes changes in route number designations and descriptions in the state highway system. Chapter 928, Statutes of 1986

- AB 2400 (W. Brown) Would have required Caltrans to contract for a study of alternatives for accelerating traffic flows on the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge. Died in Senate Transportation Committee
- AB 2414 (Filante) Prohibits the display or sale of any merchandise at a state vista point or safety roadside rest area. Authorizes the CHP or other peace officer to order the movement or removal from a vista point or safety roadside rest of any person or property creating a hazard. Urgency. Chapter 920, Statutes of 1986
- AB 2796 (Stirling) Requires Caltrans to discontinue water intensive landscaping wherever practicable in counties where over 80 percent of the county water supply is imported, and to report to the Legislature on January 1, 1988, and every three years thereafter, on its progress. Authorizes Caltrans to construct a freeway without an agreement with all local jurisdictions, under specified conditions, including that the freeway will be fully constructed during the five-year period of the 1987 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Chapter 1061, Statutes of 1986
- AB 2841 (Frizzelle) Repeals 12 obsolete sections of the Streets and Highways Code relating to planning of transportation projects.

 Chapter 306, Statutes of 1986
- AB 2874 (Klehs) Would have raised highway soundwalls to the same priority as new construction among state highway spending priorities. Died in Senate Transportation Committee
- AB 2903 (Killea) Requires Caltrans to consider the future lease potential of areas above and below highways when planning new highway projects. Chapter 500, Statutes of 1986
- AB 3009 (Grisham) Changes the descriptions of Route 91 soundwall projects funded by section 8(g) offshore oil funds (AB 1024). Chapter 739, Statutes of 1986
- AB 3090 (Connelly) Would have required Caltrans to construct any soundwall on the soundwall eligibility list within two years of the construction of any freeway expansion project in the same location as the proposed soundwall.

 Referred to Interim Study by Senate Transportation Committee
- AB 3144 (N. Waters) Makes a willful failure to obey authorized persons directing traffic at highway construction sites a misdemeanor. Chapter 748, Statutes of 1986
- AB 3176 (Wright) Authorizes Caltrans to pay up to \$10,000 annually for road maintenance to the City of Simi Valley, in recognition of increased traffic on local roads, until construction of a freeway connection between Routes 23 and 118 is complete. Chapter 1395, Statutes of 1986
- AB 3299 (Vasconcellos) Authorizes a local jurisdiction to advance funds for highway projects already in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), and authorizes the California Transportation Commission to program suitable replacement highway projects in the STIP for that jurisdiction.

 Chapter 797, Statutes of 1986

AB 3660 (Farr) Allows Service Authorities for Freeway Emergencies to include within their jurisdiction state highway routes under the jurisdiction of the CHP. Prohibits Service Authorities from providing emergency mechanical service patrols. See also SB 202, SB 1199, and SB 1597. Chapter 730, Statutes of 1986

AB 3838 (Baker) Would have appropriated specified Transportation, Planning, and Development Account funds for certain mass transportation purposes. Amended to instead authorize Caltrans to proceed with preliminary work required for construction of an additional Benicia-Martinez toll bridge funded by toll revenues. Urgency. Chapter 831, Statutes of 1986

AB 3918 (Mojonnier) Would have required Caltrans to study a proposed interchange project on Route 5 in San Diego County. Failed passage in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 3953 (Allen) Would have required Caltrans to implement a demonstration program for installation of highway fatality markers at those locations where a motor vehicle accident caused by a drunk driver resulted in a death. Failed passage in Senate Transportation Committee

AB 4107 (Mountjoy) Requires Caltrans to approve or deny any encroachment permit application within 60 days of receiving the application, with all applications where no action is taken deemed approved. Chapter 1003, Statutes of 1986

AB 4167 (Killea) Would have established the Mid-City I-15 Freeway Cover Account in the State Transportation Fund, with all Caltrans property lease revenues generated in San Diego County to go to this account. The proceeds would have been used to construct one square block of freeway cover over Route 15 in San Diego. Died in Senate Rules Committee

AB 4234 (Baker) Would have authorized Caltrans to proceed with preliminary work on a second Benicia-Martinez toll bridge, but only if the California Transportation Commission determined that Caltrans had sufficient staff and resources to carry out its existing responsibilities. Similar to AB 3838 and SB 2516. Died in Senate Transportation Committee

ACR 8 (N. Waters) Designates the Sunnybrooke Roadside Rest on Route 88 as the George Allen Roadside Rest. Resolution Chapter 47 (1985)

ACR 25 (Molina) Requests Caltrans to erect and maintain directional signs, on Route 101 in Los Angeles, for the Los Angeles Children's Museum, if the Museum pays for purchasing and erecting the signs. Resolution Chapter 84 (1985)

ACR 62 (Statham) Changes definition of "rural area" for the purpose of the Route 5 logo signing program from fewer than 5,000 population to fewer than 7,000 population. Enables Yreka to participate in the existing program. See also SB 1686. Resolution Chapter 123 (1985)

ACR 74 (Johnston) Designates a portion of Route 580 in San Joaquin County as the William Elton "Brownie" Brown Freeway. Resolution Chapter 127 (1985)

ACR 75 (Johnston) Designates Route 205 in San Joaquin County as the Robert T. Monagan Freeway. Resolution Chapter 128 (1985)

- ACR 78 (Kelley) Requests Caltrans to study the feasibility and cost of changing the alignment of Route 79 through the cities of Hemet and San Jacinto in Riverside County. The study is to be submitted to the Legislature by July 1, 1986. Resolution Chapter 20 (1986)
- ACR 84 (Naylor) Requests Caltrans to place a plaque in memory of Leslie Charlene Curtis at the base of the Route 92/101 interchange in San Mateo County. Not heard by Assembly Transportation Committee. Resolution Chapter 129 (1985)
- ACR 87 (Hauser) Designates a bridge on Route 199 in Del Norte County as the Allen Frederick Lehman Memorial Bridge. Resolution Chapter 15 (1986)
- ACR 88 (Statham) Designates a rest area on Route 299 in Trinity County as the Moon Lim Lee Safety Roadside Rest Area. Resolution Chapter 16 (1986)
- ACR 92 (Duffy) Designates the Route 65 Roseville Bypass as the Harold T. "Bizz" Johnson Expressway and designates an overcrossing on Route 65 as the Charles J. La Porte Memorial Bridge. Resolution Chapter 88 (1986)
- ACR 95 (Johnston) Designates the Stockton Crosstown Freeway (Route 4) as the Ort J. Lofthus Freeway. Resolution Chapter 51 (1986)
- ACR 100 (Johnson) Requests Caltrans to lend its assistance in the placing of a memorial plaque commemorating Jim Downing on Route 57 in Orange County. Resolution Chapter 95 (1986)
- ACR 102 (Hauser) Designates a bridge on Route 36 in Humboldt County as the Bernard A. Hemenway Memorial Bridge. Resolution Chapter 53 (1986)
- ACR 103 (Hauser) Designates a bridge on Route 36 in Humboldt County as the Silvio "Botchie" Santi Memorial Bridge. Resolution Chapter 54 (1986)
- ACR 111 (Statham) Designates Route 89 as a Blue Star Memorial Highway and requests Caltrans to place a marker at a suitable location.

 Resolution Chapter 96 (1986)
- ACR 112 (N. Waters) Designates the Sonora Bypass (Route 108) as the Frank F. Momyer Bypass. Resolution Chapter 97 (1986)
- ACR 136 (Rogers) Would have requested Caltrans and the California Transportation Commission to not delay specified projects on Route 58 in San Bernardino County in case of highway funding shortfalls. Failed passage in Assembly Transportation Committee
- SB 197 (Foran) Increases the annual per diem cap for members of the Board of Directors of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway, and Transportation District from \$3,600 to \$5,000, and increases the annual cap for the president of the Board from \$5,000 to \$7,000. Chapter 593, Statutes of 1985
- SB 202 (Bergeson) Authorizes bonds to be issued by Service Authorities for Freeway Emergencies under the Sewer Revenue Bond Provisions of the Health and Safety Code as well as under the the Revenue Bond Law, but limits the issuance of bonds to a two-year period after the service authority begins collecting vehicle registration fees (\$1.00 per vehicle) as authorized by SB 1199 (Craven). Prohibits the proceeds from the bonds from being used for operating an emergency

- call box system, and requires equipment and facilities acquired with bond proceeds to have a useful life at least equal to the term of the bonds. See also AB 3660, SB 1199, and SB 1597. Chapter 997, Statutes of 1986
- SB 240 (L. Greene) Revises the route descriptions for Routes 65 and 148. Chapter 46, Statutes of 1985
- SB 296 (Lockyer) Extends the deadline for local agencies to submit an alternative transportation improvement plan for the Route 238 corridor from January 1, 1986 to January 1, 1988. Chapter 494, Statutes of 1985
- SB 829 (Ellis) Authorizes the construction of a freeway without the agreement of an affected city or county on a route approved by the California Transportation Commission under certain conditions, including that the freeway be located in San Diego County. Chapter 669, Statutes of 1985
- SB 910 (Ellis) Limits toll collection on the San Diego-Coronado bridge after construction bonds have been retired to funding of bridge operation, maintenance, rehabilitation, improvement of bridge approaches, and funding of a feasibility study by Caltrans of improvements to alleviate bridge-related transportation problems. Requires the study to be submitted with recommendations to the California Transportation Commission by July 1, 1986, and requires the Commission to hold a public hearing on the future level of bridge tolls. Chapter 1160, Statutes of 1985
- SB 964 (Morgan) Requires local governments receiving federal-aid-urban (FAU) highway funds to obligate those funds within three years. Authorizes Caltrans to reapportion unobligated funds to other projects, with approval of the FAU Systems Advisory Committee. Requires local governments receiving the reapportioned FAU funds to reimburse the original FAU recipient for at least 60 percent of the reapportionment. Authorizes local governments to apply to the Advisory Committee for an extension of the three-year obligational limit. Chapter 892, Statutes of 1985
- SB 1199 (Craven) Authorizes formation of a Service Authority for Freeway Emergencies in any county, if approved by resolution of that county's Board of Supervisors and a majority of city councils within the county. An Authority is authorized to provide emergency motorist aid systems on state freeway and expressway mileage within the county. AB 3660 and SB 1597 later removed the authority to provide emergency mechanical patrols. A \$1.00 surcharge on vehicle registrations within the county is to be used to cover expenses for the emergency systems. Empowers a Service Authority to issue revenue bonds to be repaid by fee revenues. Requires Caltrans and the CHP to review and approve any Service Authority Plan for implementing an emergency motorist aid system. See also AB 3660, SB 202, and SB 1597. Chapter 1350, Statutes of 1985
- SB 1485 (Foran) Extends the time to fill a vacant county road commissioner position from 120 days to 180 days. Chapter 241, Statutes of 1986
- SB 1597 (Craven) Prohibits the use of funds raised by Service Authorities for Freeway Emergencies from being used for emergency mechanical service patrols. See also AB 3660, SB 202, and SB 1199. Chapter 124, Statutes of 1986
- SB 1686 (Bergeson) Would have changed the definition of "rural area" to allow Caltrans to place roadside service signs in portions of Orange and Siskiyou

Counties indicating which brands of service stations and restaurants could be found at a particular freeway exit. See also ACR 62. **Died in Assembly Ways and Means Committee**

SB 2282 (Campbell) Would have required Caltrans to purchase soundwall construction materials from a co-composting facility as long as the materials met applicable safety and structural standards and provided at least 15 percent more barrier than alternative materials for equivalent cost. Failed passage in Assembly Ways and Means Committee

SB 2516 (Keene) Would have authorized Caltrans to proceed with preliminary work on a new Benicia-Martinez toll bridge. The bill was subsequently amended to provide for an appropriation of \$35 million from Petroleum Violation Escrow Account (PVEA) funds to the Transportation, Planning, and Development Account, in order to fund the Transit Capital Improvement program and other mass transit programs. This amount was originally contained in the 1986-87 budget bill, but was vetoed by the Governor. Urgency. Chapter 890, Statutes of 1986

SB 2576 (Foran) Requires the consent of the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway, and Transportation District before any district mark, name, word, or phrase, including "Golden Gate Bridge", is used for the purpose of manufacturing, advertising, or selling equipment, merchandise, or services, if such use has a tendency to suggest a connection with the district or a district activity. Authorizes the district to obtain an injunction against, and treble damages from, persons who do not obtain the district's consent. Urgency. Chapter 499, Statutes of 1986

SCR 73 (Beverly) Designates Route 280 in San Francisco as the John F. Foran Freeway. Resolution Chapter 49 (1986)

SCR 75 (Robbins) Requests Caltrans to assist the Tarzana Chamber of Commerce in the painting of freeway murals depicting the life and adventures of Tarzan on Ventura Freeway (Route 101) underpasses in the Community of Tarzana in Los Angeles County. Resolution Chapter 92 (1986)

SCR 86 (Marks) Designates the tunnel on Park Presidio Boulevard (Route 1) in San Francisco as the General Douglas MacArthur tunnel. Resolution Chapter 94 (1986)

MASS TRANSPORTATION

AB 43 (Mojonnier) Repeals the special exemptions from the California Environmental Quality Act and the California Coastal Zone Management Act for a high speed intercity railroad corridor between Los Angeles and San Diego. Deletes the requirement that Caltrans is to be the lead agency for preparation of an environmental impact report for any high speed rail project between Los Angeles and San Diego. Chapter 392, Statutes of 1985

AB 58 (Felando) Requires a report by the Department of Social Services to the Legislature on the unmet needs for transportation for older persons. The report is to include an action plan to meet the identified needs, and is to be submitted by October 1, 1987. Chapter 1246, Statutes of 1985

AB 76 (Vicencia) Would have extended the Southern California Rapid Transit District's (SCRTD) prerogative, under specified conditions, to purchase buses and rail cars through competitive negotiation (rather than competitive bidding). Would have required the SCRTD make available upon request an analysis showing the basis of the negotiated contract award. See also AB 832. Vetoed by Governor

AB 332 (Filante) Authorizes cities, counties, transit operators, and Caltrans to apply for an advance of funds for purchase of abandoned railroad rights-of-way for transit corridor purposes. Requires the California Transportation Commission to adopt an annual priority list, and requires funds advanced to be repaid within three years with interest. AB 1024 provided \$6.5 million in funding for these provisions from section 8(g) offshore oil revenues. Chapter 1540, Statutes of 1985

AB 349 (Harris) Deletes obsolete code language detailing census tracts and election districts for the 1984 Bay Area Rapid Transit District Board election. Chapter 1253, Statutes of 1985

AB 750 (Duffy) Would have required Caltrans to establish an Elderly and Handicapped Transportation Advisory Committee. The Committee would have, among other things, made recommendations on coordinating transportation for the elderly and handicapped. Would have required regional transportation plans to include descriptions of planning for elderly and handicapped transportation. Would have required Caltrans and the advisory committee to review the regional plans, and Caltrans to report to the Legislature on January 1, 1988 on the effectiveness of the program. Died in Senate Transportation Committee

AB 832 (Vicencia) Extends the Southern California Rapid Transit District (SCRTD) authority to use competitive negotiation (versus competitive bidding) for the purchase of rail cars. This authority currently exists for certain other equipment. Requires SCRTD to make available to the public an analysis of the basis for the competitively negotiated award. Removes provision of current law that the decision of the SCRTD board in a protest of a competitively negotiated contract award is final. See also AB 76. Urgency.

Chapter 187, Statutes of 1986

AB 1138 (Cortese) Would have created the Santa Clara Transit Advisory Committee to study whether the Santa Clara County Transit District would be more

effectively governed by a board of elected, rather than appointed, directors. Would have appropriated \$25,000 from the General Fund to fund one-half of the Committee's expenses, with the remaining funds to come from Santa Clara County. Urgency. **Vetoed by Governor**

AB 2420 (Eaves) Authorizes the San Bernardino Associated Governments to allocate funding for transit service to Omnitrans, a joint powers agency, and to make only one application for transit funds to the designated regional transportation planning agency from the pool of Transportation Development Act funds available. Chapter 685, Statutes of 1985

AB 2494 (Costa) Would have appropriated \$5,700,000 in Petroleum Violation Escrow Account (PVEA) funds received by the state to Caltrans for operation of a third San Joaquin Valley Amtrak passenger train and for extension of the existing train route to Sacramento. Vetoed by Governor

AB 3003 (Harris) Would have required the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to adopt and annually update a five-year financial management plan for the three major Bay Area transit operators, and to include recommendations in the plan for resolving funding shortfalls. **Vetoed by Governor**

AB 3136 (Killea) Would have authorized, under the Mello-Roos Act, a community facilities district to provide public transportation facilities and services, but would have authorized bonds to be issued only for public transportation facilities. Vetoed by Governor

AB 3209 (Moore) Requires the Public Utilities Commission to develop an oversight safety program to be followed by transit operators in the design, construction, and operation of mass transit guideways constructed after January 1, 1979. Chapter 483, Statutes of 1986

AB 3499 (Baker) Requests the Bay Area Rapid Transit District to report to the Legislature by December 15, 1986 on the effectiveness of the program to deter parking by car-poolers at the Orinda BART station. Urgency. Chapter 955, Statutes of 1986

AB 3641 (Farr) Requires DMV, the Board of Equalization, and the Public Utilities Commission to enter into an interagency agreement to establish a procedure allowing an out-of-state tour bus operator to make a single application to one agency in order to meet all of California's regulatory requirements relating to buses. Chapter 510, Statutes of 1986

AB 3695 (Condit) Requires transit operators in specified small urban areas to meet a farebox cost recovery ratio of between 15 and 20 percent, and allows rural transit operators, which are reclassified as urban operators due to population growth, up to five years to meet the higher urban farebox ratio. Changes the method for calculating the penalty imposed against operators who fail to meet the required farebox ratio, to provide for a reduction in Transportation Development Act funds in the second year after the operator fails to comply. Chapter 1399, Statutes of 1986

AB 3788 (Cortese) See Bus Safety

AB 3813 (Connelly) Would have made findings that suburban areas have public transportation needs which require funding similar to urban areas. Died in Senate Transportation Committee

AB 3819 (Costa) Would have established the Los Angeles-Fresno-Bay Area-Sacramento High Speed Rail Corridor Study Group and required a study of capital improvements and new alignments for this rail passenger corridor. Funding would have been provided from Petroleum Violation Escrow Account (PVEA) funds. Failed passage in Senate Appropriations Committee

AB 4072 (Filante) Repeals the Rideshare Support and Improvement Act on July 1, 1987, instead of July 1, 1988. Chapter 1265, Statutes of 1986

AB 4193 (D. Brown) Would have prohibited the California Transportation Commission from allocating any funds to the Metro Rail subway project in Los Angeles. Failed passage in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 4348 (Cortese) Would have required the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to conduct a study of possible changes in the current structure of transit operations or districts which would improve integration and consolidation of transit services in the Bay Area. Would have required the study to be submitted to the Legislature by July 1, 1987. Vetoed by Governor

AB 4382 (Tanner) Requires, effective July 1, 1987, any transit operator to provide the same discount to disabled persons it provides to senior citizens, and prohibits any transit operator receiving Transportation Development Act funds from requiring any person requesting transportation to be a resident of the operator's service area. Requires all transit operators to honor the disabled person or disabled veteran identification card issued by DMV, for fare discounts. Chapter 706, Statutes of 1986

ACR 162 (Harris) Requests the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to coordinate a study estimating the cost to all transit operators of offering discount transit fares, with recommendations on alternative funding sources for these discounts. The study is to be submitted to the Legislature by January 1987. Resolution Chapter 133 (1986)

SB 152 (Presley) See Air Quality

SB 157 (Mello) Makes findings that most counties have not established a Consolidated Transportation Service Agency (CTSA) as required by the Social Service Transportation Improvement Act. Requires Caltrans, in conjunction with the California Association for Coordinated Transportation (a nonprofit group), to develop an action plan to continue implementation of the Social Service Transportation Improvement Act. Requires that annual updates to regional transportation plans include a section focusing on transportation needs of rural, elderly and handicapped persons. Includes a sunset date of January 1, 1987. Chapter 1287, Statutes of 1985

SB 200 (Beverly) Grants eminent domain powers to the Los Angeles County Transportation Commission to be exercised only upon notice to each affected city or county for the purpose of construction of a rail transit system. Authorizes the Commission to develop equal opportunity programs for minority-owned and women-owned businesses. Exempts certain equipment and supplies from competitive bidding requirements and authorizes the purchase of computers, telecommunication equipment, and specialized rail transit equipment, other than rail cars, by competitive negotiation rather than competitive bidding.

Chapter 773, Statutes of 1985

- SB 397 (Seymour) Authorizes Caltrans to approve payments of federal funds to local agencies for rural mass transportation projects, prior to the execution of a formal grant agreement, under specified conditions. Urgency. Chapter 42, Statutes of 1986
- SB 474 (Morgan) Authorizes Caltrans to purchase tickets in bulk for the Peninsula commuter rail service and to resell the tickets to the public at less than cost as part of its marketing program for the service. Declares that these ticket purchases shall not violate existing labor agreements or result in a reduction in the number of ticket clerks. Chapter 1112, Statutes of 1985
- SB 846 (Lockyer) Removes the prohibition against ferries operating within 10 miles of state toll bridges, as long as they operate under either Public Utilities Commission or California Transportation Commission authority. Prohibits ferry service from being funded from state toll bridge revenues. Chapter 1088, Statutes of 1986
- SB 949 (Presley) Transfers the audit review responsibilities for the Transportation Development Act (TDA) and State Transportation Assistance programs from Caltrans to the Controller. Authorizes transportation planning agencies to establish their own priorities for spending TDA bicycle and pedestrian facility funds, and authorizes up to five percent of these funds to be used for bicycle safety programs. Chapter 988, Statutes of 1986
- SB 1003 (Mello) Extends the deadline for Caltrans and the City of Monterey to reach an agreement on development of the abandoned railroad right-of-way between Monterey and Seaside to June 29, 1989. Authorizes this right-of-way to be developed for recreational as well as transportation purposes, as long as this does not preclude development for railway or busway purposes. Requires Caltrans to name one of the proposed Monterey-San Francisco trains "The Alquist" if rail passenger service is restored in this corridor. Chapter 1223, Statutes of 1986
- SB 1095 (Craven) Creates the Los Angeles-San Diego Rail Corridor Study Group to identify improvements to rail passenger service in that corridor and funding sources. Appropriates \$150,000 from the Transportation, Planning, and Development Account to Caltrans to be matched by a like amount of non-state funds or in-kind services. Requires the Study Group to report its findings to the Legislature by January 1, 1987. See also SB 1628. Chapter 1313, Statutes of 1985
- SB 1498 (Morgan) Authorizes Caltrans to sell rail passenger equipment, with proceeds to be deposited in the Passenger Equipment Acquisition Fund and with money in this fund to be continuously appropriated to Caltrans for commuter rail passenger capital improvements. Authorizes Caltrans to provide free train transportation to the broadcast media in exchange for advertising for the Peninsula commuter train. Chapter 1406, Statutes of 1986
- SB 1628 (Craven) Extends the time for the Los Angeles-San Diego State Rail Corridor Study Group (established by SB 1095) to report to the Legislature from January 1, 1987 to June 30, 1987. Chapter 99, Statutes of 1986
- SB 1842 (Bergeson) Excludes the cost of providing ridesharing services and excludes (only until January 1, 1991) the cost of liability and casualty

insurance from a transit operator's operating costs for the purposes of determining compliance with specified farebox recovery requirements. Chapter 1142, Statutes of 1986

SB 2072 (L. Greene) Would have required Caltrans, by July 1, 1987, to establish a grant program for providers of transportation services for the elderly and handicapped. Would have appropriated \$3,000,000 from the Transportation Planning and Development Account for the grant program. Senate did not concur in Assembly amendments

SB 2187 (Morgan) Allows local government contributions to be counted as revenues toward the 40 percent farebox return requirement on the San Francisco-San Jose Peninsula commuter train service, provided the contributions exceed the level of local operating support required by agreement between Caltrans and the local governments. Sunsets on June 30, 1990. Urgency. Chapter 837, Statutes of 1986

SB 2243 (Ellis) Provides that each newly-incorporated city within the boundaries of the North San Diego County Transit Development Board is entitled to appoint one member to the board. Requires the Metropolitan Transit Development Board to adhere to particular accounting standards and reporting requirements. Chapter 864, Statutes of 1986

OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING

AB 28 (Bane) Excludes attendance at a traffic violator school from inclusion in computing the average daily attendance of any school district, community college district, or other public educational institution. Urgency. Chapter 959, Statutes of 1985

AB 29 (Bane) Makes technical revisions to the law with regard to Traffic Violator Schools (TVS). Requires TVS operators to be licensed, pay fees, and meet educational requirements. Exempts public schools from these requirements. Authorizes the DMV to monitor certain TVS operations. Prohibits courts from ordering traffic violators to attend a driving school instead of a TVS, and from contracting out administration of the TVS program. Urgency. Chapter 396, Statutes of 1985

AB 628 (Lancaster) Makes a number of technical changes to DMV's occupational licensing procedures involving auto dismantlers and driving schools. Restores penalties for persons who dismantle vehicles but who are not required to be licensed, for violation of vehicle reporting requirements. Expands the list of occupational licensees with whom DMV may enter into stipulated penalty agreements at specified maximum fines to streamline enforcement of occupational licensing statutes and regulations. Chapter 1022, Statutes of 1985

AB 1235 (McClintock) Provides that the specific misdemeanor penalties for violation of occupational licensing statutes such as those relating to auto dealers and dismantlers are not exclusive. Also allows prosecution of violators under general criminal law. Chapter 93, Statutes of 1985

AB 1584 (Clute) Makes it unlawful for a licensed vehicle dealer to willfully fail to notify the DMV by mail within ten days of the employment or termination of employment of a salesperson. Chapter 1136, Statutes of 1985

AB 1607 (Clute) Changes the New Motor Vehicle Board's authority to charge fees to its licensees. Prohibits members of the Board who are new vehicle dealers from taking any part in a hearing involving another dealer and a manufacturer. Allows stipulated settlements of disputes submitted by the parties involved to be automatically adopted by the Board without requiring a Board meeting after proper notice. Authorizes dealerships which have been closed for less than 90 days to reopen in the same city and within one-quarter mile of the former location without being subject to the Board's notice/protest procedure. Urgency. Chapter 1201, Statutes of 1985

AB 1932 (Ferguson) Makes DMV records of dismissal of violations due to attendance at traffic violator school (TVS) confidential only for the first violation in any 12-month period. Authorizes a court to order attendance at a 12-hour TVS course in the case of a second offense in any 12-month period. Chapter 1401, Statutes of 1985

AB 2314 (Grisham) Requires the DMV to establish rules and regulations for the licensing and control of owners, operators, instructors and courses for Class 1 and Class 2 driver education and driver training schools.

Chapter 387, Statutes of 1985

AB 2647 (Hill) Would have required DMV to authorize licensed driving schools to issue student licenses. Died in Senate Transportation Committee

AB 2974 (Felando) Would have required applicants for a used vehicle dealer's license to take an examination prepared by DMV. Died in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 3640 (Katz) Requires any person who disposes of a total loss vehicle to acquire a salvage certificate prior to sale. Requires salvage pools to comply with transfer of title requirements when disposing of total loss vehicles. Requires, effective July 1, 1987, DMV to enforce Vehicle Code provisions regarding salvage pools. Chapter 952, Statutes of 1986

AB 4168 (Bane) Authorizes DMV to suspend or revoke the license of a traffic violator school (TVS) for not operating during court hours or fraudulently awarding completion certificates. Requires TVS operators licensed after January 1, 1987 to have 500 hours of TVS classroom experience. Requires DMV to compile financial information on its TVS program, and adjust TVS fees every two years to reflect DMV's cost. Chapter 1067, Statutes of 1986

SB 1420 (Bergeson) Exempts Orange County from state regulations regarding maximum class size for its traffic violator program school. Authorizes the county to provide the program in accordance with current and future contracts, as may be amended and approved by Orange County Courts. Urgency. Chapter 206, Statutes of 1985

OFF-ROAD VEHICLES

AB 107 (Peace) Increases the service fee paid to the DMV by off-highway motor vehicle owners for issuance or renewal of vehicle identification from \$5.00 to \$9.00, and imposes an additional fee of \$1.00 for the funding of uniformed field strength of the CHP. Appropriates \$40,000 from the Off-Highway Vehicle Fund to the Department of Parks and Recreation for a grant to San Diego County for preparing an environmental impact report on the Otay Mesa off-highway vehicle site. Chapter 1248, Statutes of 1985

AB 1008 (Floyd) Exempts from the gas and diesel fuel taxes those fuels which are specifically manufactured for racing motor vehicles when distributed and used for that purpose at a racetrack. Chapter 1023, Statutes of 1985

AB 1201 (Katz) Allows cities and counties, or the Director of Parks and Recreation, with the approval of the CHP, to designate up to three miles of roadway for combined use by cars and properly equipped off-highway vehicles during daylight hours. Such use is to conform to all Vehicle Code and off-highway motor vehicle equipment requirements. Chapter 676, Statutes of 1985

AB 2235 (Wyman) Requires the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Commission to recommend to the Department of Parks and Recreation a model off-highway vehicle safety program and a safety education local assistance grant program. Requires the Division of Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation in the Department of Parks and Recreation to prepare and coordinate safety education programs. Authorizes grants, subject to appropriation in the budget, for off-highway vehicle safety programs. Grants would total no more than \$300,000 annually. Requires the Department to give priority to grant applications meeting specified criteria, and requires a 25 percent match in funds or services. Chapter 809, Statutes of 1985

AB 2710 (Roos) Requires gas taxes generated from the sale of fuel for use in vehicles, which should be registered for off-highway use but are not, to be estimated every other year. Requires that estimated amount to be transferred to a newly created fund, to be used exclusively for conservation and enforcement activities at state-funded off-highway vehicle parks. Requires any vehicle which uses these parks to have an off-highway registration symbol (the so-called "green sticker"). Establishes minimum fines for operating an off-highway vehicle without a green sticker. Chapter 1009, Statutes of 1986

AB 2919 (Grisham) Increases from four to eight the number of head lamps permitted on off-highway vehicles. Changes limits for head lamp mounting. Clarifies that head lamp covers for use on highways must be opaque. Chapter 149, Statutes of 1986

PARKING AND TOWING

AB 447 (Frazee) Authorizes the DMV to require Congressional Medal of Honor Recipients to prove their status when requesting exemptions from license and registration fees and eliminates special parking privileges. Defines zones for unlimited parking by disabled persons or disabled veterans, clarifies use and renewal of disabled driver vehicle placards, and establishes a fee and renewal cycle for the placards. Authorizes removal of vehicles incorrectly parked in handicapped stalls of private parking facilities and requires specified signs for handicapped stalls as prerequisite for removal.

Chapter 1041, Statutes of 1985

AB 506 (N. Waters) Requires a towing company, which opens a fence without prior approval of a property owner or manager in order to remove a vehicle, to notify the owner or manager of the opening. Makes violation of this requirement an infraction. Chapter 608, Statutes of 1985

AB 532 (Hauser) Would have appropriated \$4.7 million from the General Fund to the Abandoned Vehicle Trust Fund, used to support the Abandoned Vehicle Abatement Program by local authorities and the California Highway Patrol. Died in Ways and Means Committee

AB 753 (Lancaster) Requires DMV to assess a fee for each unpaid parking violation recorded on DMV records on request of a court. DMV then deducts those fees from the amount of fines collected from persons at the time of renewal of their vehicle registrations prior to sending the remaining fines to the proper court. Also provides for appeal to a court of a DMV administrative order placing a person's driving privilege on probation, similar to existing procedures for appeal of other administrative orders. Chapter 1008, Statutes of 1985

AB 771 (Katz) Authorizes impoundment of any vehicle with a registration expiration date in excess of one year, whether or not the vehicle is unattended. Authorizes only peace officers to impound these vehicles. SB 2478 enables other public employees to impound unoccupied vehicles with registration lapsed one year or more. Chapter 1007, Statutes of 1985

AB 1205 (Robinson) Requires property owners who have vehicles towed from their property to comply with specified signing requirements or be liable to the vehicle owner for twice the towing charges. Makes towing companies liable to the vehicle owner for four times the towing charge if the rate charged is higher than if a public agency had requested the tow. Limits towing companies to a service charge of \$20.00 if the vehicle owner returns before the vehicle is removed, and requires acceptance of valid bank credit cards for all towing charges. Prohibits removal of vehicles within one hour of being parked from most property held open to the public for parking without a fee. See also AB 3899. Chapter 1335, Statutes of 1985

AB 1439 (Killea) Authorizes the impoundment of unregistered vehicles found in off-street public parking facilities when the vehicle has been issued five or more notices of parking violations over a period of five or more days. Requires the DMV to provide the owner of each vehicle required to be registered an itemization of citations which have to be cleared before the vehicle's registration may be renewed. Chapter 858, Statutes of 1985

- AB 2375 (Felando) Authorizes removal of vehicles parked in handicapped stalls in private lots not open to the public, under certain circumstances. Permits signs prohibiting parking on private property to indicate that a citation may be issued for violators. Chapter 312, Statutes of 1985
- AB 2601 (Harris) Establishes an accelerated disposal process for abandoned vehicles valued at less than \$100.00 when removed by public agencies. Requires one, instead of two, hearings prior to disposal, which may be held by the public agency. Authorizes the disposal of the vehicle after 15 days, if the owner has been notified, as specified, the vehicle is unclaimed, towing and storage is unpaid, and a hearing was either not requested or attended. Urgency.
- AB 3899 (Stirling) Establishes procedures for the removal of illegally parked vehicles from common interest development property. Allows the removal of vehicles from such property if the property is signed, and the local law enforcement agency and vehicle owner are notified, as specified. Extends certain requirements for the removal of a vehicle from private property to the removal of a vehicle from a common interest development.
- SB 196 (Foran) Deletes requirements that local ordinances relating to parking in front of private driveways include certain provisions, including the name and address of the owner on the permit and that the permit may be revoked without notice if it creates traffic safety problems. Chapter 45, Statutes of 1985
- SB 704 (Robbins) Authorizes local authorities to regulate the operation of tow car services based within their jurisdiction. Excludes licensed auto dismantlers and auto repossessors from such regulation. Establishes equipment requirements for automobile dismantlers' tow vehicles. Enables cities and counties to authorize the removal of vehicles parked in fire lanes.
- SB 1602 (Beverly) Authorizes, as an alternative to towing a vehicle, the use of an immobilization device ("Denver boot") on a vehicle with five or more parking tickets, if the tickets have a specified warning. Requires the vehicle owner to pay ticket bail, accept notice to appear, or appear before a magistrate, and present proof of current registration prior to release of the vehicle. Urgency. Chapter 181, Statutes of 1986
- SB 1876 (Craven) Adds prohibitions against unauthorized use of DMV disabled person parking placards. Prohibits lending a placard to any person unless that person is driving for the placard holder. Prohibits an owner of a vehicle used primarily to transport disabled persons from obtaining a placard; that person may only obtain a distinguishing license plate. Chapter 351, Statutes of 1986
- SB 2478 (Ellis) Increases the minimum fine for abandoning a vehicle on the highway from \$50.00 to \$100.00, and prohibits suspension of the fine. Authorizes payment of the fine on a schedule under specified conditions. Enables specified public employees to remove a vehicle where the registration has lapsed in excess of one year, if the vehicle is unoccupied. Chapter 328, Statutes of 1986

RULES OF THE ROAD

- AB 788 (Bradley) Would have required drivers to also consider obstructions to the driver's view of the highway when determining which rate of speed is reasonable and prudent under the basic speed law. Failed passage in Assembly Transportation Committee
- AB 2743 (Lancaster) Prohibits pedestrians from entering a roadway when facing a steady yellow traffic light preceding a red light. Requires persons with disabled vehicles on a roadway to turn on the emergency hazard warning lights, if operative. Chapter 256, Statutes of 1986
- AB 3648 (Agnos) Would have prohibited courts from reporting any speed limit convictions to DMV where the driver of a passenger vehicle was traveling more than 55 but less than 65 mph on roads where the posted speed limit was 55 mph. Failed passage in Assembly Ways and Means Committee
- AB 3863 (Peace) Establishes minimum and maximum fines for a conviction of passing a stopped school bus with flashing red lights. Authorizes a court to order a license suspension for a third or subsequent conviction within two years for the same violation. Chapter 699, Statutes of 1986
- AB 4073 (Filante) Extends the sunset date from January 1, 1987 to January 1, 1993 for allowing use of radar to enforce speed limits without supporting engineering and traffic studies. Chapter 833, Statutes of 1986
- AJR 87 (Robinson) Requests the President and the Congress to allow states to selectively increase speed limits on rural interstate freeways above 55 miles per hour and to revise the standards for state compliance with the speed limit to assign greater significance to speed violations on less-safe roads. Resolution Chapter 107 (1986)
- SB 293 (Royce) Requires business district U-turns to be made from the extreme left-hand side of the lanes moving in the driver's direction, when there are multiple traffic lanes. Chapter 47, Statutes of 1985
- SCR 76 (Bergeson) Authorizes the CHP to use radar for speed enforcement on Route 74 in Orange and Riverside Counties until January 1, 1988. Directs CHP to report to the Legislature on or before February 1, 1988 on the effectiveness of radar usage on Routes 74 and 126. Resolution Chapter 158 (1986)
- **SJR 4 (Ellis)** Requests the Congress to enact legislation which permits a state legislature to increase the maximum speed limit on selected freeways above the 55 mph currently mandated by federal law. **Resolution Chapter 58 (1985)**

TRANSPORTATION FINANCING

AB 110 (Peace) Cancels specified school and college district fuel tax liabilities from previous years. Authorizes Santa Clara County, currently the only county with a 7 percent sales tax rate, to collect the difference between 7 percent and $6\frac{1}{2}$ percent from its residents who purchase taxable property in $6\frac{1}{2}$ percent counties (would also apply to other counties imposing a 7 percent sales tax in the future). Urgency. Chapter 216, Statutes of 1986

AB 918 (Frizzelle) Would have authorized the establishment of toll road corporations as public utilities, with the power of eminent domain. Would have required Caltrans to grant permits to toll road corporations for construction of toll roads in specified corridors in Orange County. Amended to provide for a joint powers agency for toll road construction and management. Died in Senate Transportation Committee

AB 1024 (O'Connell) Appropriates \$117,779,500 from section 8(g) offshore oil revenues to be received by the State for various projects, including the following transportation purposes: \$1 million for allocation to Ventura County for emergency roadside callboxes, provided that the County and affected cities agree to maintain and operate the system; \$4 million for freeway soundwalls on Route 405 in Sepulveda; \$400,000 for a freeway soundwall on Route 99 in Manteca; \$550,000 for a freeway soundwall on Route 91 in Artesia; \$6.5 million for a loan program to acquire abandoned railroad rights-of-way for transit purposes (AB 332); \$150,000 for an endangered bird mitigation study (AB 1909); \$600,000 for construction of the Lyons Avenue interchange on Route 5 in Los Angeles County; and \$4 million for the interchange of Routes 15 and 30 in San Bernardino County. [Note: \$125 million from offshore oil revenues was also appropriated for local street and road maintenance pursuant to SB 300.] Urgency. Chapter 1440, Statutes of 1985

AB 1371 (Frizzelle) Would have enacted the Transportation Energy Efficiency Act, to be funded with \$90 million in Petroleum Violation Escrow Account (PVEA) funds. The funds would have provided local assistance for traffic system management, ridesharing, and traffic signal management, and similar assistance for state transportation systems. Failed passage in Assembly Ways and Means Committee

AB 1460 (Rogers) Would have changed the method for apportioning gas taxes to counties to a formula with a greater emphasis on miles of county-maintained roads. (Referred to interim study; hearing held October 17, 1986.) Died in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 1553 (Bradley) Would have authorized the San Diego Association of Governments to impose a one-half cent sales tax for road and highway improvements, subject to approval at a county-wide election by a majority of voters. Similar to SB 361. Failed passage in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 2419 (Eaves) Would have increased the jet fuel tax from two cents to nine cents per gallon, and would have exempted jet fuel sales from the sales and use tax, with increased fuel tax revenues to go to the Aeronautics Account in the State Transportation Fund. Died in Assembly Ways and Means Committee

AB 3228 (Costa) Allows cities and counties, which were declared disaster areas during the 1985-86 floods, until October 1, 1987 to spend road maintenance funds allocated under SB 300. Requires the Controller, by November 1, 1986, to notify the Legislature of all cities and counties which have informed the Controller that they will be unable to meet SB 300's base year road maintenance expenditure requirements, and directs the Controller to refrain from reallocating their funds until September 1, 1987. Urgency. Chapter 963, Statutes of 1986

AB 3290 (Rogers) Would have created an Aviation Account and appropriated \$1 million, from sales taxes generated from the sale of jet fuel, for airport capital projects in 1987-88, with 70 percent of the funds to be allocated to commercial airports and 30 percent to general aviation airports. Failed passage on Assembly Floor

AB 3303 (N. Waters) Authorizes Tuolumne County and the City of Sonora to spend part of their local transportation funds on a portion of Route 108 which is to become a local road following construction of the Sonora Bypass. Urgency. Chapter 272, Statutes of 1986

AB 3304 (N. Waters) Would have appropriated \$60,000 to the Tahoe Regional Planning Agency from the Transportation, Planning and Development Account for interim support of the Tahoe Transportation District. Would have made the appropriation contingent on an appropriation of at least \$20,000 from the State of Nevada, and converted the grant into a non-interest loan if voters approved a transportation sales tax increase in the district in 1986. Urgency. Vetoed by Governor

AB 3439 (Statham) Authorizes the California Transportation Commission to set a matching fund requirement of between 10 and 50 percent for state airport capital grants. Adds community service districts to the list of airport authorities eligible to receive \$5,000 annual airport grants without matching funds. Urgency. Chapter 948, Statutes of 1986

AB 3547 (Lancaster) Would have required Caltrans and the California Transportation Commission to develop a ten-year, rather than a five-year, State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) on an annual basis. Failed passage in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 3625 (Katz) Reduces, from four years to one year, the time that funds from uncompleted DMV transactions must be held in the Motor Vehicle Account. Requires that fees on uncompleted transactions be allocated to the appropriate revenue account in the same proportion as were total fees in the year in which the transaction occurred. Chapter 693, Statutes of 1986

AB 3764 (Mojonnier) Authorizes San Diego County to use specified Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds for rural roads, but only if a similar amount of TDA funds are first claimed by the County or the Metropolitan Transit Development Board for transit capital improvement projects. Chapter 903, Statutes of 1986

AB 3830 (Rogers) Would have changed the method for apportioning gas taxes to counties to a formula which allocated specified amounts to those counties receiving less than \$2,400 annually per mile of maintained county road. Died in Assembly Transportation Committee

- AB 3937 (N. Waters) Creates the Tuolumne County Traffic Authority and authorizes the Authority to impose a sales tax of up to one percent for transportation purposes if approved by the majority of those voting at an election, and to issue bonds to be repaid from sales tax proceeds. Chapter 1521, Statutes of 1986
- AJR 66 (Lancaster) Requests Congress to extend the deadline for completing interstate highways beyond the current 1990 deadline and requests adjustment of obligational ceilings to allow the states to spend all of their annual highway apportionments. Also requests Congress to continue the 85 percent minimum return to each state of its gas tax contributions to the federal highway trust fund. Resolution Chapter 149 (1985)
- SB 300 (Foran) Appropriates \$125 million from section 8(g) offshore oil revenues, \$125 million from the General Fund in 1985-86, and \$90 million from the General Fund in 1986-87 to the Controller for allocation to cities and counties for local road maintenance and reconstruction. Requires 55 percent of these funds to be distributed to cities based on the existing population formula, and requires 45 percent to be distributed to counties, based 55 percent on registered vehicles and 45 percent on maintained road miles. Requires local governments to maintain their 1984-85 level of expenditures on road maintenance in order to receive an allocation. Requires that a minimum of \$110 million be transferred annually to the Transportation, Planning, and Development Account in the State Transportation Fund, with this minimum to be secured from the General Fund in 1986-87 and the sales tax on diesel fuel in future years. See also AB 3228 and SB 367. Urgency. Chapter 1600, Statutes of 1985
- SB 310 (Keene) Provides that fuel and petroleum products sold to common carriers are exempt from the California sales tax if the products are purchased for immediate shipment out-of-state for consumption by the carrier after the first out-of-state destination, if the carrier provides an exemption certificate to the seller. Chapter 1028, Statutes of 1985
- SB 361 (Deddeh) Creates the San Diego County Regional Transportation Commission and authorizes the Commission to submit a sales tax increase measure to the voters, the proceeds of which are to be used for specific transportation projects. Requires the sales tax to be in 1/4 cent increments not exceeding one cent and to be approved by a majority of those voting at an election. Authorizes the issuance of bonds secured by sales tax revenues if approved by the voters as part of the ballot measure. Chapter 1576, Statutes of 1985
- SB 367 (Foran) Clarifies certain provisions of SB 300 (Foran). Allows cities and counties to use their SB 300 road funding allocations for road widening projects to meet Caltrans minimum width standards, but not for increasing road capacity. Extends the time period for spending SB 300 allocations to one year from the Controller's disbursement date. Authorizes cities and counties to return their allocations if they are unable to meet specified minimum maintenance expenditure levels, instead of a required reduction in gas tax allocations in a subsequent year. Urgency. Chapter 41, Statutes of 1986
- SB 429 (Seymour) Authorizes the Orange County Transportation Commission to direct that interest earned on Transportation Development Act funds being accumulated for construction of a transit system in Orange County be used for local road and state highway purposes. Sunsets on January 1, 1989. Chapter 1512, Statutes of 1985

- SB 842 (Craven) Would have required motor vehicle fuel retailers to prepay part of the sales tax due on fuel sales to their distributors for remittance to the Board of Equalization. See also SB 1610. Vetoed by Governor
- SB 878 (Boatwright) Authorizes a sales tax measure to be placed before the voters of each of the nine Bay Area counties and in Fresno County, with revenues to be used for transportation projects included in a transportation expenditure plan, including highways and transit. Authorizes creation of individual traffic authorities in each county, except that the Metropolitan Transportation Commission may be authorized to act as the traffic authority for one or more Bay Area counties. Requires each sales tax ordinance to be approved by majority vote at an election. Limits the total sales tax, including the increase authorized by this bill, to 7 percent (6½ percent in Fresno County). Authorizes each traffic authority to issue revenue bonds to be repaid from sales tax proceeds. Urgency. Chapter 301, Statutes of 1986
- SB 950 (McCorquodale) Would have appropriated \$800,000 of Petroleum Violation Escrow Account (PVEA) funds to the Controller for allocation to Santa Clara County for optimizing specified traffic signals and to purchase signal preemption devices for public transit buses. Vetoed by Governor
- SB 1560 (Foran) Provides for an increase in state fuel taxes in the event federal fuel taxes are reduced, for a maximum combined state and federal tax on gasoline of 18 cents per gallon and a maximum tax on diesel of 24 cents per gallon. Declares that any increase in state taxes shall be accompanied by an increase in the state's appropriation limit under Article XIIIB, Section 3, of the Constitution, due to a transfer in the responsibility of providing services from the federal government to the state. Chapter 525, Statutes of 1986
- SB 1610 (Craven) Requires motor vehicle fuel retailers to prepay part of the sales tax due on fuel sales to their distributors for remittance to the Board of Equalization. Similar to SB 842 (Craven) of 1985, which was vetoed by the Governor. Heard by the Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee. Urgency. Chapter 214, Statutes of 1986
- SB 1822 (Bergeson) Increases the amount of Transportation Development Act (TDA) funds that may be used for transportation planning from two percent to three percent in Orange County, and from one to two percent in San Diego County. Authorizes up to \$600,000 in developer fees in Orange County to be used annually for administrative expenses relating to road and bridge construction paid for by developer fees. Chapter 839, Statutes of 1986
- SB 2620 (Doolittle) Appropriates an additional \$700,000 to Caltrans for snow-removal personnel for 1986-87. Restores funding contained in 1986-87 budget which was vetoed by the Governor. Urgency. Chapter 1253, Statutes of 1986
- SCA 12 (Foran) Would have submitted to the voters a proposed amendment to Article XIX of the Constitution which would have exempted state fuel taxes from the appropriations limit of Article XIIIB of the Constitution. Died on the Assembly Floor

TRUCKS

AB 192 (McClintock) Repeals obsolete provisions in the Vehicle Code relating to issuance of special permits for vehicles with loads between 13 feet 6 inches and 14 feet in height. Chapter 88, Statutes of 1985

AB 646 (Costa) Requires the DMV to issue, upon payment of a \$35.00 fee, a one-trip, five-day permit authorizing bringing a laden, used out-of-state trailer or semitrailer into the state for the purposes of sale, thereby exempting such a laden vehicle from weight and registration fees. Chapter 625, Statutes of 1985

AB 712 (Vicencia) Deletes the requirement for a rear license plate for truck tractors upon implementation of a program by the CHP which requires identifying numbers on both sides of truck tractors. Chapter 183, Statutes of 1985

AB 786 (Lancaster) Requires that hydraulic booms or masts, which are components of vehicles or loads, be restricted to less than 14 feet high while traveling on the highway. Violation is an infraction. Chapter 695, Statutes of 1985

AB 855 (Allen) Repeals the fuel tax prepayment requirement for users of diesel fuel. Chapter 1220, Statutes of 1985

AB 928 (Eaves) Would have required persons using ready-mix concrete trucks to post on each truck its unladen weight, the maximum weight that may be loaded into the truck, and the maximum gross weight prescribed by the Vehicle Code. Also would have required a weighmaster preparing a weight certificate to certify that a ready-mix concrete truck's load does not exceed the posted maximum. See also AB 4059. Vetoed by Governor

AB 1186 (Areias) Includes within the definition of an "implement of husbandry" various new vehicles. Includes within the definition of a "farm vehicle" trap wagons, as defined, and truck tractors, as specified, used in the production or harvesting of melons. Expands allowable width of implements of husbandry used on the interstate system to 102 inches. Makes other changes in restrictions and requirements for implements of husbandry. Chapter 973, Statutes of 1986

AB 1349 (M. Waters) Would have required all truck trailers, semitrailers, and containers entering the state by railroad, which are unloaded for travel on the highways, to carry a certified weight certificate stating the gross weight of the vehicle. Referred to interim study; hearing held December 4, 1985. Died in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 1483 (Klehs) Would have required all railroad yards and ship terminals with scales to have a weighmaster weigh all container trailers handled at the facility. Referred to interim study; hearing held December 4, 1985. As amended, would have required railroads and steamship lines to install scales at all major terminals and to weigh all container and piggyback trailers prior to interchange with a truck company, at the truck driver's request. Would have doubled overweight fines, with the fine revenues to be available for appropriation for weight enforcement purposes. Would also have prohibited any weighmaster from certifying any gross truck weight above 80,000 lbs., and would have authorized overweight citations to be issued to persons employing or

contracting for the services of truck drivers. Died in Senate Transportation Committee

AB 2335 (Katz) See Bus Safety

AB 2678 (Moore) Requires the CHP and the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to conduct a heavy truck safety study, to determine if certain classes of trucks are responsible for a disproportionate share of truck accidents, and whether truck safety can be enhanced by additional cooperation between the CHP and PUC. Requires the study to be submitted to the Legislature by June 30, 1987. Chapter 1292, Statutes of 1986

AB **2679** (Moore) Requires truck operators subject to Public Utilities Commission (PUC) jurisdiction to make available for PUC inspection the truck maintenance and repair logs required by the CHP. **Chapter 596**, **Statutes of 1986**

AB 2766 (Lancaster) Authorizes truck fleet owners operating a CHP-licensed inspection and maintenance station to self-certify that rebuilt trucks meet lamp and brake adjustment requirements. Chapter 109, Statutes of 1986

AB 2767 (Lancaster) Increases the maximum allowable length for auto transporter truck combinations from 65 feet to 75 feet under certain conditions. Chapter 736. Statutes of 1986

AB 3054 (Hauser) Would have required the courts to exercise discretion with overweight fines if vehicles carrying bulk unprocessed forest products were no more than 4,000 (rather than 1,000) lbs. overweight. Failed passage in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 3346 (Ferguson) Makes permanent the fleet registration pilot program for proportionately-registered truck trailers, and authorizes fleet associations to participate in the program if they register at least 1,000 vehicles, and no fewer than 300 per fleet. Chapter 687, Statutes of 1986

AB 3461 (Stirling) Would have allowed deputy sheriffs and municipal police officers in the County of Los Angeles with commercial vehicle training to order unsafe trucks out of service. Failed passage in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 3980 (Costa) Authorizes a manufacturer or a dealer of motor vehicles who has been issued a one-trip permit for movement of an unregistered unladen truck trailer to allow any third party to transport the vehicle subject to the permit. Prohibits the issuance of a one-trip permit more than once unless the vehicle is subsequently sold and registered. Chapter 1071, Statutes of 1986

AB 4059 (Floyd) Would have required persons using ready-mix concrete trucks to post on each truck the maximum weight that may be loaded into the truck, and the maximum gross weight prescribed by the Vehicle Code. Also would have required a weighmaster preparing a weight certificate to certify that a ready-mix concrete truck's load does not exceed the posted maximum. Similar to AB 928, which was vetoed by the Governor. Vetoed by Governor

ACR 36 (Elder) Requests the Institute of Transportation Studies of the University of California to conduct a study of dynamic (vs. static) weight as a basis for determining highway degradation. The Institute is to coordinate

preparation of the report with Caltrans and is to provide its report to the Legislature by January 1, 1986. Resolution Chapter 112 (1985)

SB 319 (Foran) For vehicles over 10,000 pounds, postpones the application of the 83 decibel noise limit to those vehicles manufactured before 1988 (instead of 1986). The 80 decibel noise limit applies to vehicles manufactured after 1987 (instead of 1985). Chapter 274, Statutes of 1985

SB 1117 (Foran) Requires the DMV to refuse to register any vehicle subject to the federal heavy vehicle use tax if the owner cannot prove that the tax has been paid. Takes effect when the federal government develops proof of payment forms for this tax. Chapter 245, Statutes of 1985

SB 1608 (Ellis) Authorizes Caltrans, or local authorities for roads under their jurisdiction, to issue special trip permits for manufactured homes with a height exceeding 15 feet if the proposed route can accommodate the vehicle. Urgency. Chapter 350, Statutes of 1986

SB 1873 (Seymour) Requires CHP to conduct a pilot program in four of the eight CHP regions using existing unmarked vehicles to enforce traffic law violations by heavy vehicle drivers. Sunsets the pilot program on January 1, 1988, and requires a report to the Legislature by March 15, 1988.

Chapter 1243, Statutes of 1986

SB 2081 (Mello) Clarifies the definitions of "manufactured home" and "mobile home" to provide that DMV registers and titles all such vehicles with a width of 102 inches or less, while the Department of Housing and Community Development is responsible for wider vehicles. Provides that those vehicles with a width of 102 inches or less do not require a special permit to travel on the highways, while wider vehicles do require a permit. Chapter 1185, Statutes of 1986

SB 2232 (McCorquodale) Extends the maximum kingpin to rear axle distance for trucks with a single trailer from 38 to 40 feet on all California roads. Authorizes Caltrans or local governments to restrict particular routes to a maximum kingpin setting of 38 feet, if specified procedures and posting requirements are followed. Requires Caltrans to identify and sign all state highways that cannot accommodate the longer kingpin settings by January 1, 1988, and to report to the Legislature. Requires trucks with a kingpin setting longer than 40 feet (STAA trucks) to stay on designated routes, or to obtain special permits. Declares that the increases in truck size and length authorized by this act should not be considered a precedent for future increases in truck length and size. Chapter 1378, Statutes of 1986

SJR 57 (Deddeh) Requests the U.S. Secretary of Transportation to support legislation establishing a motor carrier administration within the U.S. Department of Transportation. Resolution Chapter 121 (1986)

VEHICLE REGISTRATION

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AB 395 (Floyd) Repeals requirements regarding certificates of origin for trailer coaches, camp trailers or house cars before original registration or sale, in order to reduce paperwork for retail sellers and speed up the registration of new recreational vehicles. Chapter 426, Statutes of 1985

AB 457 (Papan) Extends the existing \$1.00 surcharge on each vehicle registration until January 1, 1991. Requires these fees to be deposited in the Motor Vehicle Account, for appropriation by the Legislature for expenditure to offset the costs of maintaining the uniformed field strength of the CHP. Declares the intent of the Legislature that the CHP maintain the extra officers previously funded by the surcharge. Chapter 797, Statutes of 1985

AB 615 (McClintock) Would have required DMV to offer distinctive license plates to active members of the California National Guard and armed forces reserves. Failed passage in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 632 (Frazee) Would have required DMV to offer for sale a third license plate, for display purposes only, to all persons ordering environmental license plates. Would have prohibited the affixing of the display plate to any vehicle. Failed passage in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 2000 (Davis) Establishes a DMV registration amnesty program from January 1, 1986 through March 31, 1986. During this period, delinquent fees for vehicles owned on or before February 1, 1985, can be paid without a late penalty. Raises penalties for delinquent registration starting April 1, 1986. Appropriates to DMV, \$1.875 million from the Motor Vehicle Account for the amnesty program and requires a publicity campaign for the program. Urgency. Chapter 1126, Statutes of 1985

AB 2462 (Wright) Requires that the transfer of ownership of a leased vehicle take place only upon the signature release of the lessor (effective until July 1, 1986). Effective July 1, 1986, the same transfer requirement applies, with changes to provisions regarding disclosure of lessee address. Appropriates \$183,682 from the Motor Vehicle Account to the DMV to carry out these provisions. Chapter 1500, Statutes of 1985

AB 2468 (Mojonnier) Requires the DMV to issue only reflectorized or partly reflectorized license plates effective January 1, 1987 and to charge an additional fee of \$1.00 for each set of plates issued. Does not require owners of vehicles with non-reflectorized plates to replace those plates. Requires DMV to submit a report to the Legislature by July 1, 1987 comparing license plate production volumes and costs before and after the implementation of the mandatory reflectorized license plate program. Chapter 679, Statutes of 1985

AB 2566 (Hauser) Would have exempted two-axle trucks with an unladen weight of 3,000 lbs. or less from the \$8.00 annual weight fee if the owner declared under penalty of perjury (subject to a \$500.00 fine) that the vehicle was used solely for personal rather than commercial purposes. Similar to AB 3694. Died in Assembly Ways and Means Committee

- AB 2755 (Floyd) Would have required DMV to issue distinctive license plates to active members of the state militia. Would have exempted militia members purchasing plates from paying for the plates and from annual vehicle registration fees. Failed passage in Assembly Transportation Committee
- AB 2762 (McAlister) Prohibits persons from selling or offering for sale motor vehicles not registered in their name except in specified cases, and makes violation of this provision an infraction. Prohibits any party to a taxable sale of a motor vehicle from reporting a sales price to DMV which is lower than the actual price, and authorizes the Board of Equalization to collect delinquent sales and use taxes as well as specified penalties from the party making the misrepresentation. Makes this offense a misdemeanor. Chapter 668, Statutes of 1986
- AB 3694 (Hauser) Would have exempted two-axle trucks with an unladen weight of less than 3,000 lbs. from the \$8.00 annual weight fee if the owner declared under penalty of perjury (subject to a \$500 fine) that the vehicle was used solely for personal rather than commercial purposes. Similar to AB 2566. Failed passage in Senate Transportation Committee.
- SB 226 (Ellis) Authorizes the DMV to issue seven-character personalized license plates for motorcycles. Authorizes DMV to issue distinctive license plates for honorary consular officials appointed by foreign countries. Chapter 752, Statutes of 1985
- SB 984 (Campbell) Exempts transfers of ownership of vehicles between a lessor of a vehicle and a lessee's operator from the requirement of having a smog certificate if the person to whom the vehicle is transferred has operated the vehicle for at least one year. Chapter 904, Statutes of 1985
- SB 1061 (Lockyer) Prohibits courts from imposing a fine or administrative fee for correctable registration, equipment, or licensing violations relating to the operation of a motor vehicle, if proof of correction has been timely and properly secured. Chapter 898, Statutes of 1985
- SB 1199 (Craven) See Highways and Bridges
- SB 1464 (Doolittle) Exempts from California vehicle registration vehicles of nonresidents who reside in an adjoining state and commute to work in California within 35 air miles of the border. Requires nonresident daily commuters wanting the exemption to apply to the DMV for an identification card and vehicle sticker, for which DMV shall charge its full administrative costs not exceeding \$10.00. Limits the exemption to residents of adjoining states granting reciprocal privileges to California residents. Urgency. Chapter 1090, Statutes of 1985
- SB 2037 (Morgan) Prohibits the manufacture or sale of a decorative or facsimile license plate sized similarly to a state-issued plate, except that the Director of DMV may authorize such manufacture or sale for special events or media productions. Violation is a misdemeanor. Chapter 859, Statutes of 1986
- SB 2382 (Robbins) Exempts military personnel who are California residents from vehicle registration requirements for out-of-state vehicles. Specifies that a person whose vehicle has been seized for delinquent registration lien sale by DMV has a 90-day period in which to commence a court action. Requires the owner

	of an undocumented vessel to notify DMV immediately upon the sale or transfer of the vessel. Corrects an obsolete reference to S.A.E. horsepower ratings. Chapter 1212, Statutes of 1986
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VEHICLE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

AB 27 (W. Brown) Requires all persons in a vehicle to be restrained by a safety belt and requires all new vehicles manufactured after September 1, 1989 to be equipped with automatic restraints. Prohibits peace officers from stopping vehicles solely for the purpose of enforcing the safety belt requirement. Imposes a \$20.00 fine for the first offense and a \$50.00 fine for subsequent offenses. Exempts owners of vehicles manufactured without safety belts from the requirement and exempts specified persons, including those with certified medical conditions from wearing safety belts. Repeals the mandatory safety belt provisions if the U.S. Secretary of Transportation rescinds federal provisions requiring automatic restraints on a nationwide basis. Chapter 1361, Statutes of 1985

AB 125 (Kelley) Authorizes publicly-owned vehicles engaged in animal control activities to use flashing amber warning lights when parked or moving slowly. Chapter 131, Statutes of 1985

AB 218 (La Follette) Requires the CHP to include federal motorcycle helmet standards in its regulations and requires each helmet sold in this state to be conspicuously labeled as meeting the federal standards.

Chapter 163, Statutes of 1985

AB 412 (Allen) Establishes a motorcycle safety program to be administered by the CHP and funded by a \$2.00 annual surcharge on each motorcycle registration. Prohibits the CHP from directly managing or providing safety program services but authorizes CHP to contract for those services. Requires an annual report to the Legislature on the condition of the California Motorcyclist Safety Fund and the services that were provided. Sunsets in January 1992. Chapter 547, Statutes of 1985

AB 1019 (O'Connell) Requires bicycle passengers under the age of four or the weight of 40 pounds to wear safety helmets. Violation is an infraction. Requires courts to dismiss the first violation upon proof of purchase of a helmet. Chapter 58, Statutes of 1986

AB 1099 (Areias) Would have required manufacturers of passenger vehicles for sale in California to provide, after September 1, 1988, driver seat air bags as a purchase option on at least one third of their model lines. At least one model would have had to be in the lower quarter of the retail price range. The air bag would have had to meet Federal safety standards. Referred to Interim Study by Senate Transportation Committee

AB 1958 (N. Waters) Includes mopeds in the same category of vehicles as motorized bicycles for purposes of state and local ordinance and regulation. Chapter 799, Statutes of 1985

AB 2110 (Stirling) Prohibits operation of vehicles not meeting specific maximum vehicle frame height and body floor height requirements.

Chapter 835, Statutes of 1985

AB 2639 (W. Brown) Changes from over four years of age to four years of age the lower age limit for requiring passengers in motor vehicles to wear safety belts.

Children under four must be in child passenger restraint seats. Exempts passengers in limousines for hire and emergency vehicles and peace officers, as specified, from safety belt requirements. Changes date for required adoption of federal safety belt safety standards. Urgency. Chapter 130, Statutes of 1986

AB 2936 (Johnston) Would have prohibited a motorcycle driver under 18 years of age from carrying any passenger under 15½ years of age. Failed passage in Ways and Means Committee

AB 3148 (N. Waters) Extends sunset date of tire chain standards for one year, until December 31, 1987. Makes minor changes in the definition of a highway, and in braking methods for parked motor vehicles. Chapter 362, Statutes of 1986

AB 3528 (Campbell) Requires courts to send to DMV records of violations of the safety belt and child passenger restraint laws. Allows courts to dismiss the first violation of parents who have violated the child passenger restraint law if the parent attends an educational course on the use of child passenger restraints. Chapter 947, Statutes of 1986

AB 3559 (Katz) Exempts recreational trailers (camp trailers, trailer coaches, and utility trailers) from CHP's safety regulations. Chapter 343, Statutes of 1986

AB 3939 (Farr) Requires the Office of Traffic Safety to establish a pilot program in four counties to test the use of ignition interlock devices in vehicles as a condition of probation for a person convicted of driving under the influence. The pilot program is to terminate on January 1, 1990. Chapter 1108, Statutes of 1986

SB 965 (Morgan) Requires snow tread tires purchased after January 1, 1987 be marked with "M-S" or "M/S". Deletes the requirement that snow tread tires be designed and manufactured for use on ice. Chapter 325, Statutes of 1986

SB 1092 (Robbins) Includes rescue equipment among vehicles eligible for designation as "authorized emergency vehicles" by the Commissioner of the CHP. Chapter 492, Statutes of 1985

SB 1377 (Lockyer) Authorizes emergency response or disaster service vehicles owned or leased and operated by the American National Red Cross or any local chapter to display flashing amber warning lights while at the scene of an emergency or disaster operation. Chapter 178, Statutes of 1986

SB 2272 (Dills) Requires any supplemental (third) rear stoplamp, installed after January 1, 1987, to meet federal safety standards. Requires that any vehicle with a supplemental stoplamp meet applicable federal safety standards for that make or model, or meet the generic federal standards. Chapter 1184, Statutes of 1986

SCR 8 (Rosenthal) Requests the Commissioner of the CHP to study the safety of mobile radio telephones in automobiles and, with input from other sources, evaluate the study. A report on these findings is to be submitted to the Legislature by July 1, 1986. Resolution Chapter 92 (1985)

MISCELLANEOUS

AB 394 (Campbell) Would have required that service stations, as specified, post conspicuous notices stating that refueling services are available for disabled drivers, at no additional cost. Such refueling services are required by existing law. Would have required public postsecondary institutions to adopt regulations exempting disabled students from parking fees in any reserved or restricted campus parking area. Failed passage in Assembly Transportation Committee

AB 1338 (Johnston) Requires the CHP to implement a basic emergency medical dispatch training program for dispatchers. The program is to begin by January 1, 1987. The CHP is to report to the Legislature on the program's progress by January 1, 1988. Chapter 1303, Statutes of 1985

AB 2432 (Moore) Deletes the specific authority of local governments to prohibit vending from commercial vehicles such as ice cream trucks, however, authorizes those local authorities to generally regulate such vending. Chapter 495, Statutes of 1985

AB 2610 (Katz) Requires insurance companies to offer an appropriate discount to drivers aged 55 and older who complete a DMV-approved Mature Driver Improvement Course. Requires DMV to set specified standards for course providers and course content. Requires DMV to study and compare the driving records of persons taking a course with the records of persons not taking a course, and to report to the Legislature by January 1, 1989. Chapter 1325, Statutes of 1986

AB 2772 (Rogers) Increases the compensation for commissioners of the Greater Bakersfield Separation of Grade District Commission from \$10.00 to \$100.00 per meeting. Chapter 105, Statutes of 1986

AB 2789 (Tucker) Clarifies existing provisions in the Vehicle Code regarding authorized emergency vehicles. Chapter 102, Statutes of 1986

AB 3831 (McClintock) Would have increased and made consistent the minimum fines for littering, and would have required litter fines to be transferred to the State Highway Account for unspecified litter cleanup activities. Failed passage in Assembly Public Safety Committee

AB 4330 (Lancaster) Would have extended indefinitely CHP's authority to provide certain supplemental law enforcement services. Urgency. Died in Assembly Ways and Means Committee

ACR 69 (Sher) Requests the DMV to modify its appointment system to allow the public the option of walk-in service. Requests DMV to provide equipment and staffing to enable customers to reach DMV field offices by telephone in a reasonable period of time, to make appointments within five days, and to wait no more than 30 minutes for walk-in service. Also requests DMV to provide quarterly reports on Phases II, III, and IV of its automation system and to schedule expenditures by program element beginning with the 1986-87 budget. Resolution Chapter 125 (1985)

- ACR 72 (Hauser) Requests Caltrans to study the availability of transportation services in the north coast area, with emphasis on the U.S. 101 corridor, and the impact of those services on the local economy. The study is to be submitted to the Legislature by January 1, 1987. Resolution Chapter 22 (1986)
- ACR 96 (Bates) Requests the Metropolitan Transportation Commission to conduct a comprehensive transportation study of the Interstate 80 corridor from Oakland to Solano County. The study is to be submitted to the Legislature by January 1988. Resolution Chapter 52 (1986)
- ACR 116 (McClintock) Resolves that CHP and local law enforcement agencies be requested to diligently enforce state litter laws. Resolution Chapter 170 (1986)
- SB 322 (Carpenter) Authorizes local governments to implement a voluntary or mandatory bicycle licensing program. Repeals existing provisions which authorize only mandatory licensing programs. Chapter 488, Statutes of 1985
- SB 801 (Royce) Requires the DMV to make space for a sign or notice, and provide pamphlets, describing the Uniform Anatomical Gift Act. Such signs and pamphlets are to be provided without cost to the Department by private parties associated with the Anatomical Gift Program. Chapter 526, Statutes of 1985
- SB 2112 (Beverly) Requires the Public Utilities Commission to give greater priority to railroad-highway grade separation projects of otherwise equal priority on the annual priority list, if a city or county contributes 50 percent or more of a project's cost. Sunsets on July 1, 1991. Chapter 721, Statutes of 1986