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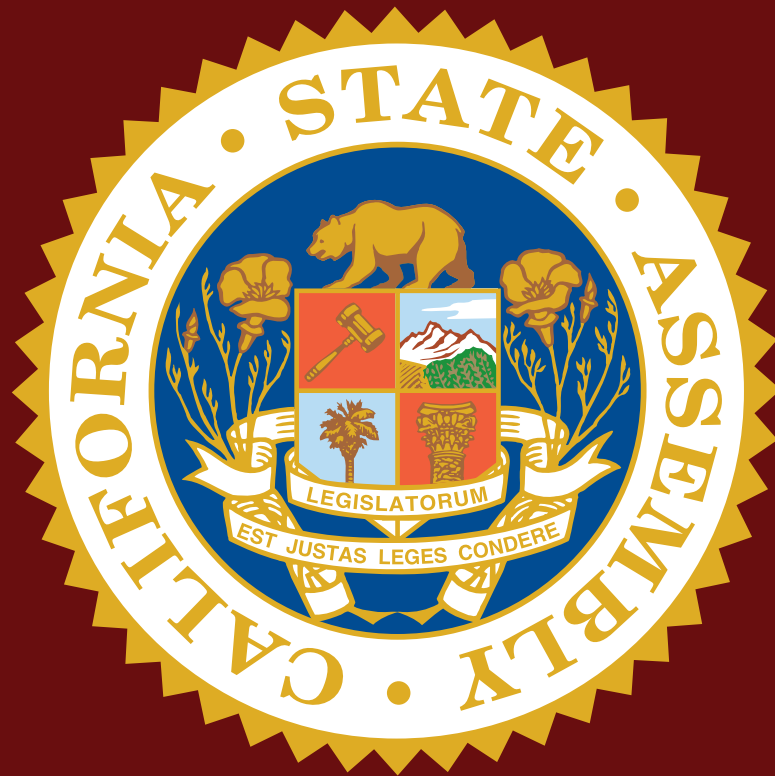
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## 2017 LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY



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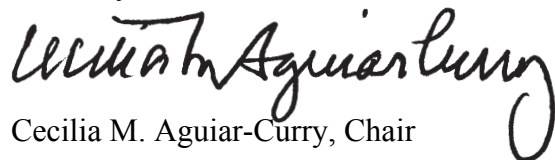
TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

The first year of the 2017-2018 Legislative Session was a busy one for the Assembly Local Government Committee. Because of the large number of Assembly Members and Senators with local government backgrounds, interest in local government issues remains high.

Enclosed is a summary of chaptered and vetoed bills that were introduced during 2017 and referred to the Assembly Local Government Committee. The summary includes a brief description of all bills, divided into the following categories: Contracting and Procurement; Elections; Governance; Health Care Districts and Health Authorities; Housing and Land Use; Joint Exercise of Powers; Local Agency Formation Commissions; Local Government Finance; Powers and Duties; Transportation and Transit Districts; Utilities, Telecommunications, and Energy; and, Water.

For quick and easy reference, please see the table of contents in the front of this document or the index located at the end. Additional information regarding this summary can be obtained through the Assembly Local Government Committee office at (916) 319-3958.

Sincerely,



Cecilia M. Aguiar-Curry, Chair

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# CONTRACTING AND PROCUREMENT

## *Chaptered Legislation:*

### **AB 851 (Caballero and Gloria), Chapter 821**

#### **Local agency contracts.**

Extends the sunset date on the authority of counties to use construction manager at-risk (CM at-risk) contracting, extends CM at-risk contracting authority to the City of San Diego for specified projects, and allows the Santa Clara Valley Water District to use the design-build procurement method for specified types of projects.

### **AB 994 (Muratsuchi), Chapter 321**

#### **Health care districts: design-build.**

Allows the Beach Cities Health District to use the design-build procurement method to assign contracts for the construction of facilities or other buildings in the district.

### **AB 1223 (Caballero), Chapter 585**

#### **Construction contract payments: Internet Web site posting.**

Requires state agencies to post specified information about construction contract payments valued at \$25,000 or more on their Internet Web sites within 10 days of making the payment.

### **AB 1523 (Obernolte and Reyes), Chapter 154**

#### **San Bernardino County Transportation Authority: design-build.**

Authorizes the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority to use design-build for the construction of the Mt. Vernon Avenue Viaduct project.

### **SB 373 (Cannella), Chapter 391**

#### **Public contracts: design-build: Stanislaus Regional Water Authority.**

Allows the Stanislaus Regional Water Authority to use design-build for its Regional Surface Water Supply Project.

### **SB 622 (Wiener), Chapter 396**

#### **Local Agency Public Construction Act: Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District.**

Makes various changes to the bidding threshold requirements for the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway, and Transportation District.

### **SB 793 (Hill), Chapter 627**

#### **Competitive bidding: design-build and best value construction contracting.**

Allows the Peninsula Health Care District, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, and the Santa Clara Valley Open-Space Authority to use design-build contracting for construction of buildings or other facilities in those districts, and expands a pilot program that allows seven counties to use best value contracting for specified projects until January 1, 2020.

***Vetoed Legislation:***

**AB 1019 (Chiu)**

**California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission.**

Would have removed a requirement that staff and other support made available by the State Controller's Office (SCO) for the conduct of the California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Commission's business not conflict with the accomplishment of the other businesses of the SCO.

## ELECTIONS

### *Chaptered Legislation:*

#### **AB 467 (Mullin), Chapter 640**

##### **Local transportation authorities: transactions and use taxes.**

Authorizes a county elections official, upon the request of a local transportation authority, to replace the adopted county transportation expenditure plan in the sample ballot and voter information guide with a notification that directs voters to view the expenditure plan on the transportation authority's Internet Web site.

#### **AB 801 (Weber and Gloria), Chapter 711**

##### **County of San Diego Citizens Redistricting Commission.**

Repeals existing provisions of law requiring a redistricting commission made up of former or retired judges to adjust the boundary lines of supervisorial districts in San Diego County after each decennial federal census and, instead, establishes a Citizens Redistricting Commission in the county, charges it with adjusting the boundaries of supervisorial districts, and changes the criteria that must be used when the boundaries are adjusted.

#### **SB 267 (Pan), Chapter 622**

##### **Political Reform Act of 1974: City of Sacramento.**

Allows the City of Sacramento (City) to enter into an agreement with the Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) for the FPPC to administer and enforce the City's local campaign finance reform ordinance.

## GOVERNANCE

### *Chaptered Legislation:*

#### **AB 805 (Gonzalez Fletcher), Chapter 658**

##### **County of San Diego: transportation agencies.**

Makes changes to the governance and financing authority of the San Diego Association of Governments, the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System, and the North County Transit District.

#### **AB 1226 (McCarty), Chapter 114**

##### **River port districts: Sacramento-Yolo Port District.**

Authorizes the City of West Sacramento and the County of Yolo to replace an appointed member to the Sacramento-Yolo Port District Commission prior to the end of their four-year term of office, as specified.

#### **SB 634 (Wilk), Chapter 833**

##### **Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency.**

Reorganizes the Castaic Lake Water Agency and the Newhall County Water District into the Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency.

#### **SB 693 (Mendoza), Chapter 466**

##### **Lower San Gabriel River Recreation and Park District.**

Authorizes the formation of the Lower San Gabriel River Recreation and Park District, pursuant to existing law, and establishes the governing board structure and powers of the District.

## HEALTH CARE DISTRICTS AND HEALTH AUTHORITIES

### *Chaptered Legislation:*

#### **AB 994 (Muratsuchi), Chapter 321**

##### **Health care districts: design-build.**

Allows the Beach Cities Health District to use the design-build procurement method to assign contracts for the construction of facilities or other buildings in the district.

#### **AB 1538 (Bonta), Chapter 263**

##### **Alameda Health System Hospital Authority: physician services.**

Makes changes to the statutes which govern conditions in which the Alameda Health System can privatize services provided by physicians and surgeons.

#### **AB 1728 (Local Government Committee), Chapter 265**

##### **Health care districts: board of directors.**

Requires a board of directors of a healthcare district to adopt an annual budget and grant funding policy, and to establish an Internet website.

#### **SB 4 (Mendoza), Chapter 479**

##### **Medi-Cal: county organized health system: County of Orange.**

Codifies the enabling ordinance adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Orange that prescribes the composition of the governing body of the Orange County Health Authority, a county organized health system, known as CalOptima.

#### **SB 793 (Hill), Chapter 627**

##### **Competitive bidding: design-build and best value construction contracting.**

Allows the Peninsula Health Care District, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, and the Santa Clara Valley Open-Space Authority to use design-build contracting for construction of buildings or other facilities in those districts, and expands a pilot program that allows seven counties to use best value contracting for specified projects until January 1, 2020.

## HOUSING AND LAND USE

### *Chaptered Legislation:*

#### **AB 73 (Chiu, Bonta, Caballero, and Kalra), Chapter 371**

##### **Planning and zoning: housing sustainability districts.**

Allows a city or county to create a housing sustainability district to complete upfront zoning and environmental review, in order to receive incentive payments for development projects that are consistent with the district's ordinance.

#### **AB 346 (Daly), Chapter 35**

##### **Redevelopment: housing successor: Low and Moderate Income Housing Asset Fund.**

Authorizes a housing successor to use funds remaining in their Low and Moderate Income Housing Fund towards a variety of homelessness services.

#### **AB 352 (Santiago), Chapter 400**

##### **State Housing Law: efficiency units.**

Prohibits a city, county, or city and county that adopts an ordinance permitting efficiency units from placing specified limitations on the units.

#### **AB 465 (Ting), Chapter 313**

##### **Urban agricultural incentive zones.**

Extends the sunset of the Urban Agriculture Incentive Zones (UAIZ) Act from January 1, 2019, to January 1, 2029, and makes technical changes to the UAIZ Act.

#### **AB 494 (Bloom), Chapter 602**

##### **Land use: accessory dwelling units.**

Makes a number of changes to the Accessory Dwelling Unit review process and standards.

#### **AB 678 (Bocanegra), Chapter 373**

##### **Housing Accountability Act.**

Makes a number of changes to the Housing Accountability Act.

#### **AB 879 (Grayson), Chapter 374**

##### **Planning and zoning: housing element.**

Makes a number of changes to housing element law, and directs the Department of Housing and Community Development to complete a study evaluating the reasonableness of local fees charged to new developments.

#### **AB 1397 (Low), Chapter 375**

##### **Local planning: housing element: inventory of land for residential development.**

Makes a number of changes to housing element law by revising what may be included in a locality's inventory of land suitable for residential development.

**AB 1505 (Bloom, Chiu, and Gloria), Chapter 376**

**Land use: zoning regulations.**

Authorizes the legislative body of a city or county to establish inclusionary housing requirements as a condition of the development of residential rental units, and allows the Department of Housing and Community Development to review inclusionary ordinances in specified circumstances.

**AB 1515 (Daly), Chapter 378**

**Planning and zoning: housing.**

Establishes, for purposes of the Housing Accountability Act, a reasonable person standard for deeming consistency for a housing development project or emergency shelter.

**AB 1568 (Bloom), Chapter 562**

**Enhanced infrastructure financing districts.**

Establishes the Neighborhood Infill and Transit Improvements Act in Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District (EIFD) law, and allows EIFDs to receive sales and use and transaction and use taxes for affordable housing purposes.

**AB 1598 (Mullin), Chapter 764**

**Affordable housing authorities.**

Allows a city or county to create an affordable housing authority to fund affordable housing and affordable workforce housing, similar to a Community Revitalization and Investment Authority.

**SB 35 (Wiener), Chapter 366**

**Planning and zoning: affordable housing: streamlined approval process.**

Establishes a streamlined, ministerial review process for certain multifamily affordable housing projects that are proposed in local jurisdictions that have not met regional housing needs, until 2026.

**SB 166 (Skinner), Chapter 367**

**Residential density and affordability.**

Requires a local government to accommodate its remaining unmet housing need at all times throughout the housing element planning period.

**SB 167 (Skinner), Chapter 368**

**Housing Accountability Act.**

Makes a number of changes to the Housing Accountability Act.

**SB 229 (Wieckowski), Chapter 594**

**Accessory dwelling units.**

Makes a number of changes to Accessory Dwelling Unit law.

**SB 540 (Roth), Chapter 369**

**Workforce Housing Opportunity Zone.**

Authorizes a city or county to establish a Workforce Housing Opportunity Zone by preparing an environmental impact report to identify and mitigate impacts from establishing a zone, and adopting a specific plan, and provides for expedited approvals of housing development projects within that zone.

**SB 732 (Stern), Chapter 434**

**General plan: agricultural land.**

Authorizes a city or county to develop an agricultural land component of their open-space element, or a separate agricultural land element, and requires the Department of Conservation (DOC) to give priority consideration for grants, bond proceeds, and other local assistance funding provided by DOC to a city or county that meets specified requirements.

*Vetoed Legislation:*

**AB 890 (Medina)**

**Land use: planning and zoning: initiatives.**

Would have delegated exclusive authority to make certain land use approvals and designations to a city council or a board of supervisors.

**SB 649 (Hueso)**

**Wireless telecommunications facilities.**

Would have established permitting and leasing requirements for small cells that cities and counties must follow and would have made a number of other changes to law governing small cells.



## JOINT EXERCISE OF POWERS

### *Chaptered Legislation:*

#### **AB 545 (Bigelow), Chapter 124**

##### **Joint powers agreements: County of El Dorado: nonprofit hospitals.**

Authorizes a private, nonprofit hospital in El Dorado County to enter into a joint powers agreement with a public agency.

#### **SB 302 (Mendoza), Chapter 807**

##### **Joint powers agencies: Orange County Fire Authority: funds.**

Requires specified property tax transfers to be approved by Orange County, the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA), and a majority of cities that are members of OCFA.

#### **SB 564 (McGuire), Chapter 430**

##### **Joint powers authorities: Water Bill Savings Act.**

Establishes the Water Bill Savings Act, which would authorize joint powers authorities to finance water conservation improvements on private property for a customer of a local agency or its publicly owned utility in ten counties, to be repaid by charges collected on a water bill.

#### **SB 797 (Hill), Chapter 653**

##### **Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board: transactions and use tax.**

Allows the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board, in specified conditions, to impose a retail transactions and use tax at a rate not to exceed 0.125%, subject to voter approval.

## LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSIONS (LAFCOs)

### *Chaptered Legislation:*

#### **AB 464 (Gallagher), Chapter 43**

##### **Local government reorganization.**

Makes changes to LAFCO statutes which govern changes of organization and reorganization, including annexation proceedings.

#### **AB 722 (Limón), Chapter 409**

##### **Isla Vista Community Services District: board of directors.**

Authorizes a member of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors or any public officer of the County or their deputies to serve on the Isla Vista Community Services District Board of Directors.

#### **AB 979 (Lackey), Chapter 203**

##### **Local agency formation commissions: district representation.**

Makes changes to the statutes which govern the independent special district selection committee and representation of special districts on LAFCOs.

#### **AB 1361 (Eduardo Garcia and Waldron), Chapter 449**

##### **Municipal water districts: water service: Indian tribes.**

Authorizes a municipal water district, until January 1, 2023, to apply to a LAFCO to extend water service to Indian lands and prohibits the LAFCO from denying the application.

#### **AB 1725 (Local Government Committee), Chapter 353**

##### **Local agency formation.**

Makes several non-controversial changes to LAFCO statutes which govern local government organization and reorganization.

#### **SB 365 (Dodd), Chapter 216**

##### **Regional park and open-space districts: County of Solano.**

Authorizes the Solano County Board of Supervisors to initiate the formation of a regional park and open-space district by adopting a resolution and calling an election in lieu of LAFCO approval and circulating a petition.

#### **SB 448 (Wieckowski), Chapter 334**

##### **Local government: organization: districts.**

Requires the State Controller to publish a list of inactive special districts and establishes a process for LAFCO to dissolve inactive special districts.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE

### *Chaptered Legislation:*

#### **AB 733 (Berman), Chapter 657**

##### **Enhanced infrastructure financing districts: projects: climate change.**

Adds climate change projects to the list of projects that may be financed by an Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District (EIFD).

#### **AB 804 (Cristina Garcia), Chapter 317**

##### **Controller: internal control guidelines.**

Allows the State Controller to audit any local agency for purposes of determining whether the agency's internal controls are adequate to detect and prevent financial errors and fraud.

#### **AB 1180 (Holden), Chapter 617**

##### **Los Angeles County Flood Control District: taxes, fees, and charges.**

Authorizes the Los Angeles County Flood Control District to levy a special tax to manage stormwater.

#### **AB 1189 (Eduardo Garcia), Chapter 642**

##### **Riverside County Transportation Commission: transactions and use tax.**

Increases the maximum transactions and use tax rate, from 0.5% to 1%, which Riverside County Transportation Commission may impose, subject to voter approval.

#### **AB 1568 (Bloom), Chapter 562**

##### **Enhanced infrastructure financing districts.**

Establishes the Neighborhood Infill and Transit Improvements Act in EIFD law and allows EIFDs to receive sales and use and transaction and use taxes for affordable housing purposes.

#### **AB 1613 (Mullin), Chapter 231**

##### **San Mateo County Transit District: retail transactions and use tax.**

Authorizes the San Mateo County Transit District, subject to voter approval, to exceed the 2% transactions and use tax limit at a rate of no more than 0.5%.

#### **SB 231 (Hertzberg), Chapter 536**

##### **Local government: fees and charges.**

Defines "sewer" for the purposes of the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act.

#### **SB 302 (Mendoza), Chapter 807**

##### **Joint powers agencies: Orange County Fire Authority: funds.**

Requires specified property tax transfers to be approved by Orange County, the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA), and a majority of cities that are members of OCFA.

**SB 450 (Hertzberg), Chapter 625**

**Public bodies: bonds: public notice.**

Requires the governing body of a public body to obtain and disclose specified information in a public meeting prior to authorizing the issuance of bonds.

**SB 703 (Skinner), Chapter 651**

**Transactions and use taxes: Alameda and Santa Clara County, City of Santa Fe Springs.**

Authorizes the counties of Alameda and Santa Clara and the City of Santa Fe Springs to adopt an ordinance proposing the imposition of a transactions and use tax that exceeds the 2% statutory limitation.

**SB 742 (Moorlach), Chapter 77**

**City treasurers.**

Requires the city treasurer, if the city has issued bonds, to use a system of accounting and auditing that adheres to generally accepted accounting principles.

## **POWERS AND DUTIES**

### *Chaptered Legislation:*

#### **AB 331 (Eggman and Gloria), Chapter 399**

##### **County recorders: veterans: recorded documents.**

Requires county recorders to record any military discharge document, including a veteran's service form DD214, and maintain it in a nonpublic index.

#### **AB 332 (Bocanegra), Chapter 34**

##### **Vehicles: local regulations: street closures.**

Expands a local authority's ability to temporarily close a highway due to serious and continual criminal activity by allowing temporary closure of a through highway or arterial street under specified conditions, and allowing temporary closure due to serious and continual illegal dumping.

#### **AB 428 (Ridley-Thomas), Chapter 137**

##### **Local government: the Ralph M. Brown Act.**

Eliminates a January 1, 2018, sunset date in existing law that allows county health authorities to establish a quorum pursuant to the Ralph M. Brown Act when meeting via teleconference if at least 50% of the board members constituting the quorum are physically present within the boundaries of the authority's jurisdiction and other conditions are met, thereby extending this provision indefinitely.

#### **AB 545 (Bigelow), Chapter 124**

##### **Joint powers agreements: County of El Dorado: nonprofit hospitals.**

Authorizes a private, nonprofit hospital in El Dorado County to enter into a joint powers agreement with a public agency.

#### **AB 549 (Quirk), Chapter 138**

##### **Local government: building permit: electrified security fence: notice.**

Requires counties and cities, including charter counties and charter cities, to notify their respective fire agencies when they approve a permit for an electrified security fence.

#### **AB 556 (Limón), Chapter 405**

##### **County ordinances: violations: fines.**

Increases the fine amounts that counties may assess for a violation of an event permit requirement that is an infraction.

#### **AB 755 (Eduardo Garcia), Chapter 709**

##### **Local agencies: capital investment incentive program.**

Extends the authorization for cities and counties to establish a capital investment incentive program from January 1, 2018, to January 1, 2019.

**AB 798 (Eduardo Garcia), Chapter 383**

**Local government: counties: consolidation of offices.**

Allows Imperial County to convert the public administrator's office from an elected position to an appointed position and to consolidate the offices of public administrator and public guardian.

**AB 1625 (Rubio), Chapter 352**

**Inoperable parking meters.**

Prohibits a local authority, by ordinance or resolution, from prohibiting or restricting the parking of vehicles in a parking space that is regulated by an inoperable parking meter or inoperable parking payment center, except as specified.

**SB 178 (Wieckowski), Chapter 458**

**Parklands: Centerville Park.**

Authorizes the City of Fremont to transfer to the Fremont Unified School District up to 4.6 acres of parkland in Centerville Park, pursuant to specified conditions.

**SB 184 (Morrell), Chapter 621**

**Social security number truncation program.**

Allows county recorders to include documents recorded prior to January 1, 1980, in their social security number truncation programs.

**SB 205 (Governance and Finance Committee), Chapter 387**

**Local Government Omnibus Act of 2017.**

Enacts the Local Government Omnibus Bill of 2017, which proposes a number of non-controversial changes to existing laws governing the powers and duties of local agencies.

**SB 206 (Governance and Finance Committee), Chapter 57**

**First Validating Act of 2017.**

Validates the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state government, counties, cities, special districts and school districts, among other bodies.

**SB 207 (Governance and Finance Committee), Chapter 58**

**Second Validating Act of 2017.**

Validates the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state government, counties, cities, special districts and school districts, among other bodies.

**SB 208 (Governance and Finance Committee), Chapter 59**

**Third Validating Act of 2017.**

Validates the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state government, counties, cities, special districts and school districts, among other bodies.

**SB 240 (Dodd), Chapter 72**

**County service areas: farmworker housing: County of Napa.**

Increases the maximum annual assessment that may be levied on vineyards in Napa County to support the County's farmworker housing.

**SB 330 (Berryhill), Chapter 281**

**Building permit fees: waivers.**

Authorizes cities and counties to waive or reduce all building permit fees for improvements to the home of a veteran with a qualifying disability that are made to accommodate that disability.

**SB 361 (Hernández), Chapter 63**

**Maintenance districts: City of La Puente.**

Authorizes the Landscaping and Lighting District of the City of La Puente to perform maintenance and make improvements, pursuant to the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972.

**SB 365 (Dodd), Chapter 216**

**Regional park and open-space districts: County of Solano.**

Authorizes the Solano County Board of Supervisors to initiate the formation of a regional park and open-space district by adopting a resolution and calling an election in lieu of LAFCO approval and circulating a petition.

**SB 450 (Hertzberg), Chapter 625**

**Public bodies: bonds: public notice.**

Requires the governing body of a public body to obtain and disclose specified information in a public meeting prior to authorizing the issuance of bonds.

**SB 653 (Moorlach), Chapter 336**

**County tax collectors: notices: publication.**

Requires tax collectors to publish on their Internet Web sites any notice that tax collectors must publish in a newspaper.

## TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSIT DISTRICTS

### *Chaptered Legislation:*

#### **AB 805 (Gonzalez Fletcher), Chapter 658**

##### **County of San Diego: transportation agencies.**

Makes changes to the governance and financing authority of the San Diego Association of Governments, the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System, and the North County Transit District.

#### **AB 1189 (Eduardo Garcia), Chapter 642**

##### **Riverside County Transportation Commission: transactions and use tax.**

Increases the maximum transactions and use tax rate, from 0.5% to 1%, which Riverside County Transportation Commission may impose, subject to voter approval.

#### **AB 1523 (Obernolte and Reyes), Chapter 154**

##### **San Bernardino County Transportation Authority: design-build.**

Authorizes the San Bernardino County Transportation Authority to use design-build for the construction of the Mt. Vernon Avenue Viaduct project.

#### **AB 1613 (Mullin), Chapter 231**

##### **San Mateo County Transit District: retail transactions and use tax.**

Authorizes the San Mateo County Transit District, subject to voter approval, to exceed the 2% transactions and use tax limit at a rate of no more than 0.5%.

#### **SB 622 (Wiener), Chapter 396**

##### **Local Agency Public Construction Act: Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District.**

Makes various changes to the bidding threshold requirements for the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway, and Transportation District.

#### **SB 797 (Hill), Chapter 653**

##### **Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board: transactions and use tax.**

Allows the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board, in specified conditions, to impose a retail transactions and use tax at a rate not to exceed 0.125%, subject to voter approval.



## UTILITIES, TELECOMMUNICATIONS, AND ENERGY

### *Chaptered Legislation:*

#### **AB 546 (Chiu), Chapter 380**

##### **Land use: local ordinances: energy systems.**

Requires cities, including charter cities, and counties to accept electronic submissions of permit applications for advanced energy storage installations, and to make documentation for such permitting available on their Internet Web sites.

#### **AB 1145 (Quirk), Chapter 792**

##### **Conversion of existing overhead electric and communication facilities to underground locations: cable television corporations and cable operators.**

Adds cable television facilities and cable operators to existing statutes governing assessment districts that are created for the purpose of converting overhead electric and communication facilities to underground locations, and to existing statutes governing the Department of Transportation's undergrounding reimbursements.

#### **AB 1284 (Dababneh), Chapter 475**

##### **California Financing Law: Property Assessed Clean Energy program: program administrators.**

Establishes requirements for Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) program administrators that must be met before PACE assessment contracts may be funded and recorded by a public agency, renames the California Finance Lenders Law as the California Financing Law (CFL), requires program administrators to be licensed under the CFL, and establishes a regulatory scheme for oversight of PACE solicitors and PACE solicitor agents.

#### **AB 1414 (Friedman), Chapter 849**

##### **Solar energy systems: permits.**

Reduces the maximum permit fee a city or a county may charge for residential rooftop solar energy systems, applies these caps and commercial permit fee caps to a broader range of solar energy systems, and makes additional changes to existing law governing permit fees for rooftop solar energy systems and to the Solar Rights Act of 1978.

#### **SB 242 (Skinner), Chapter 484**

##### **Property Assessed Clean Energy program: program administrator.**

Establishes requirements for third-party program administrators of PACE programs.

***Vetoed Legislation:***

**SB 649 (Hueso)**

**Wireless telecommunications facilities.**

Would have established permitting and leasing requirements for small cells that cities and counties must follow and would have made a number of other changes to law governing small cells.

## WATER

### *Chaptered Legislation:*

#### **AB 552 (Irwin), Chapter 294**

##### **United Water Conservation District.**

Expands the remedies granted to the United Water Conservation District for the enforcement and collection of delinquent groundwater charges.

#### **AB 1180 (Holden), Chapter 617**

##### **Los Angeles County Flood Control District: taxes, fees, and charges.**

Authorizes the Los Angeles County Flood Control District to levy a special tax to manage stormwater.

#### **AB 1361 (Eduardo Garcia and Waldron), Chapter 449**

##### **Municipal water districts: water service: Indian tribes.**

Authorizes a municipal water district, until January 1, 2023, to apply to a LAFCO to extend water service to Indian lands and prohibits the LAFCO from denying the application.

#### **SB 231 (Hertzberg), Chapter 536**

##### **Local government: fees and charges.**

Defines "sewer" for the purposes of the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act.

#### **SB 252 (Dodd), Chapter 538**

##### **Water wells.**

Codifies factors to be considered in well interference complaints and establishes conditions on the issuance of water well drilling permits for wells in overdrafted basins.

#### **SB 372 (Cannella), Chapter 357**

##### **San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Groundwater Sustainability Agency.**

Creates the San Joaquin River Exchange Contractors Groundwater Sustainability Agency, specifies the board composition of the Agency, and adds the Agency to the list of agencies identified in statute to manage groundwater that are deemed the exclusive local agencies to comply with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act.

#### **SB 373 (Cannella), Chapter 391**

##### **Public contracts: design-build: Stanislaus Regional Water Authority.**

Allows the Stanislaus Regional Water Authority to use design-build for its Regional Surface Water Supply Project.

**SB 564 (McGuire), Chapter 430**

**Joint powers authorities: Water Bill Savings Act.**

Establishes the Water Bill Savings Act, which would authorize joint powers authorities to finance water conservation improvements on private property for a customer of a local agency or its publicly owned utility in ten counties, to be repaid by charges collected on a water bill.

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