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| **California State Assembly Speaker John A. Perez Announces Changes in Leadership and Committee Positions**Today, California State Assembly Speaker John Perez (D-Los Angeles) announced the following changes in his leadership team and Committee Chairs.  As noted below the Committee changes will take effect August 10 with leadership changes effective September 1.  The Chair of the Transportation Committee is unchanged so this Committee will continue to be Chaired by Assembly Member and former Metro Board Member Bonnie Lowenthal (D-Long Beach).The following Leadership changes will take effect on September 1st:* Speaker pro Tempore - Hon. Nora Campos (D-San Jose)\*\*\*
* Assistant Speaker pro Tempore - Hon. Fiona Ma (D-San Francisco)
* Majority Floor Leader - Hon. Toni Atkins (D-San Diego)
* Assistant Majority Floor Leader - Hon. Michael Allen (D-Santa Rosa)
* Majority Whip - Hon. Roger Hernández (D-West Covina)
* Asst. Majority Whip - Hon. Chuck Calderon (D-Whittier)

(\*\*\* From August 10 – September 1, Assemblymember Nora Campos will serve as Assistant Speaker pro Tempore.)The following committee chair appointments will take effect on August 10th:* Assemblymember Marty Block (D-San Diego) will Chair the Assembly Accountability and Administrative Review Committee.
* Assemblymember Mike Gatto (D-Los Angeles) will Chair the Assembly Appropriations Committee.
* Assemblymember Mike Davis (D-Los Angeles) will Chair the Assembly Arts, Entertainment, Sports, Tourism and Internet Media Committee.
* Assemblymember Roger Dickinson (D-Sacramento) will Chair the Assembly Banking and Finance Committee.
* Assemblymember Jared Huffman (D-San Rafael) will Chair the Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 3 on Resources and Transportation.
* Assemblymember Bill Monning (D-Carmel) will Chair the Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 4 on State Administration.
* Assemblymember Rich Gordon (D-Redwood City) will Chair the Assembly Business, Professions and Consumer Protection Committee.
* Assemblymember Joan Buchanan (D-Alamo) will Chair the Assembly Education Committee.
* Assemblymember Luis Alejo (D-Salinas) will Chair the Assembly Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials Committee.
* Assemblymember Richard Pan (D-Sacramento) will Chair the Assembly Health Committee.
* Assemblymember Das Williams (D-Santa Barbara) will Chair the Assembly Higher Education Committee.
* Assemblymember Tony Mendoza (D-Artesia) will be Vice Chair of the Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee.
* Assemblymember Henry Perea (D-Fresno) will Chair the Assembly Insurance Committee.
* Assemblymember Bob Wieckowski (D-Fremont) will Chair the Assembly Judiciary Committee.
* Assemblymember Nora Campos (D-San Jose) will be Vice Chair of the Assembly Local Government Committee.
* Assemblymember Michael Allen (D-Santa Rosa) will Chair the Assembly Public Employees, Retirement and Social Security Committee.
* Assemblymember Felipe Fuentes (D-Sylmar) will Chair the Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee.
* Assemblymember Bob Hueso (D-San Diego) will Chair the Assembly Water, Parks and Wildlife Committee.
* Assemblymember Jose Solorio (D-Anaheim) will be Co-Chair of the Assembly Legislative Ethics Committee.

The following members will retain their current Leadership positions:* Majority Policy Leader - Hon. Mike Feuer (D-Los Angeles)
* Asst. Majority Policy Leader - Hon. Wilmer Amina Carter (D-Rialto)
* Democratic Caucus Chair - Hon. Jerry Hill (D-San Mateo)
* Rules Committee Chair - Hon. Nancy Skinner (D-Berkeley)
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