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S.B.30: Diesel-powered on-track equipment: decommissioning: resale and transfer restrictions.	Existing law provides various provisions applicable to all public transit and transit districts and includes specific requirements applicable to public entities that operate commuter rail or rail transit systems. This bill would prohibit a public entity that owns diesel-powered on-track equipment from selling, donating, or otherwise transferring that equipment for continued use after the public entity decommissions the equipment.	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Environmental Quality (Ayes 11. Noes 3.) (April 8). Re-referred to Committee on Environmental Quality	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B30">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B30</a>	
S.B.27: Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Court Program.	Existing law, the Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Act, authorizes specified adult persons to petition a civil court to create a voluntary CARE agreement or a court-ordered CARE plan and implement services, to be provided by county behavioral health agencies, to provide behavioral health care, including stabilization medication, housing, and other enumerated services, to adults who are currently experiencing a severe mental illness and have a diagnosis identified in the disorder class schizophrenia and other psychotic disorders, and who meet other specified criteria. Existing law authorizes a specified individual to commence the CARE process, known as the original petitioner. Existing law authorizes the court to dismiss a case without prejudice when the court finds that a petitioner has not made a prima facie showing that they qualify for the CARE process. Existing law requires the court to take prescribed actions if it finds that a prima facie showing has been made, including, but not limited to, setting the matter for an initial appearance on the petition. This bill would allow the court to conduct the initial appearance on the petition at the same time as the prima facie determination if specified requirements are met. This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass. (Ayes 12. Noes 0.) (April 8).	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B27">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B27</a>	

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S.B.13: Oil and gas.	<p>Existing law, the Petroleum Industry Information Reporting Act of 1980, requires refiners, as described, to report monthly to the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission), for each of their refineries, specified information, including the origin of petroleum receipts and the source of imports of finished petroleum products.</p> <p>This bill would express the intent of the Legislature that the Energy Commission monitor foreign countries that export oil to California and identify on its internet website which of those countries have demonstrated human rights abuses, as documented by the United States Department of State, and which of those countries have lower environmental standards for the production of oil than California.</p> <p>Existing law imposes various limitations on the emissions of air contaminants for the control of air pollution from vehicular and nonvehicular sources. Existing law requires the State Air Resources Board to post on its internet website information on air quality conditions and trends statewide and to develop and conduct a program of monitoring airborne fine particles smaller than 2.5 microns in diameter (PM 2.5).</p> <p>This bill would require the state board to annually produce an assessment of the greenhouse gas emissions associated with the transportation of oil in California, as specified, and to include that assessment on the state board's internet website. The bill would also require the Energy Commission to annually provide data collected pursuant to the Petroleum Industry Information Reporting Act of 1980 to the state board for the purposes of the assessment. The bill would require the data to comply with specified existing confidentiality requirements. The bill would prohibit the commission from using any funds from electric ratepayers to implement these requirements, as provided.</p> <p>Under existing law, the Geologic Energy Management Division in the Department of Conservation regulates the drilling, operation, maintenance, and abandonment of oil and gas wells in the state. This bill would require the division to provide a link on its internet website to air quality emissions data associated with the transportation of oil imported into the state.</p> <p>Existing law vests the Energy Commission with various responsibilities for developing and implementing the state's energy policies.</p> <p>This bill would require the Energy Commission to prominently display on the front page of its internet website a</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (April 7).	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB13">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB13</a>	

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S.B.11: Artificial intelligence technology.	<p>(1)Existing law prohibits the false impersonation of another person in either their personal or official capacity with the intent to steal or defraud, as specified. This bill would define various terms related to artificial intelligence and synthetic content, and would clarify that use of such synthetic content, as specified, is deemed to be a false personation for purposes of these and other criminal provisions.</p> <p>(2)Existing law creates a civil cause of action against any person who knowingly uses the name, voice, signature, photograph, or likeness of another person, without their consent, for specified purposes. When a photograph or likeness of an employee of the person using the photograph or likeness appearing in an advertisement or other publication is incidental and not essential to the purpose of the publication, existing law establishes a rebuttable presumption affecting the burden of producing evidence that failure to obtain the consent of an employee was not a knowing use of an employee’s photograph or likeness. This bill would clarify that, for purposes of this cause of action, a synthetic voice or likeness that a reasonable person would believe to be a genuine voice or likeness, is deemed to be the voice or likeness of the person depicted. The bill would also remove the provisions establishing the rebuttable presumption when an employee’s likeness or photograph appears in an advertisement or other publication.</p> <p>(3)Existing law governs the admissibility of evidence in court proceedings. Existing law prescribes procedures for the authentication of photographs and audio and video recordings. This bill would require the Judicial Council, by no later than January 1, 2027, to review the impact of artificial intelligence on the introduction of evidence in court proceedings and develop any necessary rules of court to assist courts in assessing claims that evidence that is being introduced has been generated by or manipulated by artificial intelligence.</p> <p>(4)Existing law establishes the Department of Consumer Affairs within the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency to protect and promote the interests of consumers. Existing law places certain requirements on various specified businesses, including household movers, tanning facilities, video arcades, and tax preparers. This bill would require, by December 1, 2026, any person or entity that sells or provides access to any artificial</p>	4/9/2025	Set for hearing April 22.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB11">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB11</a>	

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S.B.7: Employment: automated decision systems.	<p>Existing law requires the Department of Technology to conduct, in coordination with other interagency bodies as it deems appropriate, a comprehensive inventory of all high-risk automated decision systems (ADS) that have been proposed for use, development, or procurement by, or are being used, developed, or procured by, any state agency.</p> <p>Existing law establishes the Labor and Workforce Development Agency, which is composed of various departments responsible for protecting and promoting the rights and interests of workers in California, including the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, led by the Labor Commissioner, within the Department of Industrial Relations.</p> <p>This bill would require an employer, or a vendor engaged by the employer, to provide a written notice that an ADS, for the purpose of making employment-related decisions, is in use at the workplace to all workers that will be directly or indirectly affected by the ADS, as specified. The bill would require the employer or vendor to maintain a list of all ADS currently in use and would require the notice to include the updated list. The bill would prohibit an employer or vendor from using an ADS that does certain functions and would limit the purposes and manner in which an ADS may be used to make decisions. The bill would require an employer to allow a worker to access data collected or used by an ADS and to correct errors in data, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would require an employer or vendor to provide a written notice to a worker that has been affected by an employment-related decision made by an ADS, and provide that worker with a form or a link to an electronic form to appeal the decision within 30 days of the notification. The bill would require an employer or vendor to respond to an appeal within 14 business days, designate a human reviewer who meets specified criteria to objectively evaluate all evidence, and rectify the decision within 21 business days if the human reviewer determines that the employment-related decision should be overturned.</p> <p>This bill would prohibit an employer from discharging, threatening to discharge, demoting, suspending, or in any manner discriminating or retaliating against any worker for taking certain actions asserting their rights under the bill. The bill would require the Labor Commissioner to enforce the bill's provisions, as specified, and would authorize a public prosecutor or any worker who has suffered a violation or their representative to bring a civil</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Judiciary (Ayes 4. Noes 1.) (April 9). Re-referred to Committee on Judiciary	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B7">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B7</a>	

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S.B.71: California Environmental Quality Act: exemptions: transit projects.	<p>The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment.</p> <p>CEQA, until January 1, 2030, exempts from its requirements active transportation plans, pedestrian plans, or bicycle transportation plans for the restriping of streets and highways, bicycle parking and storage, signal timing to improve street and highway intersection operations, and the related signage for bicycles, pedestrians, and vehicles.</p> <p>This bill would extend the operation of the above-mentioned exemption indefinitely. The bill would also exempt a transit comprehensive operational analysis, as defined, a transit route readjustment, or other transit agency route addition, elimination, or modification, from the requirements of CEQA. Because a lead agency would be required to determine whether a plan qualifies for this exemption, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>CEQA, until January 1, 2030, exempts from its requirements certain transportation-related projects, such as pedestrian and bicycles facilities, transit prioritization projects, public projects for the institution or increase of bus rapid transit, bus, or light rail service, including the construction or rehabilitation of stations, terminals, or existing operations facilities, and public projects for the construction or maintenance of infrastructure of facilities to charge, refuel, or maintain zero-emission public transit buses, trains, or ferries, as provided. CEQA requires, except as provided, those exempted projects to be carried out by a local agency and meet certain requirements, including certain labor requirements.</p> <p>This bill would extend the operation of the above-mentioned exemption indefinitely. The bill would exempt from the requirements of CEQA a public project for the improvement of bus rapid transit, bus, microtransit, paratransit, or light rail service, including the operation and maintenance, public projects for the improvement, institution, or increase of shuttles and ferries, and for the maintenance, construction, or rehabilitation of stops</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations (Ayes 12. Noes 0.) (April 8). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B71">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B71</a>	Co-sponsor
S.B.78: Department of Transportation: report: state highway system: safety enhancements.	<p>Existing law establishes the Department of Transportation and vests it with full possession and control of the state highway system.</p> <p>This bill would require the department to prepare a report to identify the types of safety enhancements that could be implemented on the state highway system, the common factors, if any, contributing to the delay in delivering those safety enhancements, and strategies to expedite safety enhancements on the state highway system. The bill would require the department to submit the report to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2027.</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations with recommendation: To consent calendar. (Ayes 15. Noes 0.) (April 8). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B78">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B78</a>	

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S.B.79: Local government land: public transit use: housing development: transit-oriented development.	<p>(1)Existing law prescribes requirements for the disposal of surplus land by a local agency. Existing law defines “surplus land” for these purposes to mean land owned in fee simple by any local agency for which the local agency’s governing body takes formal action declaring that the land is surplus and is not necessary for the agency’s use. Existing law defines “agency’s use” for these purposes to include land that is being used for agency work or operations, as provided. Existing law exempts from this definition of “agency’s use” certain commercial or industrial uses, except that in the case of a local agency that is a district, except a local agency whose primary purpose or mission is to supply the public with a transportation system, “agency’s use” may include commercial or industrial uses or activities, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would additionally include land leased to support public transit operations in the definition of “agency’s use,” as described above. The bill would also revise the definition of “agency’s use” with respect to commercial or industrial uses to instead provide that a district or a public transit operator may use land for commercial or industrial uses or activities, as described above.</p> <p>(2)Existing law, the Planning and Zoning Law, requires each county and city to adopt a comprehensive, long-term general plan for the physical development of the county or city, and specified land outside its boundaries, that contains certain mandatory elements, including a housing element. Existing law requires that the housing element include, among other things, an assessment of housing needs and an inventory of resources and constraints that are relevant to the meeting of these needs, including an inventory of land suitable for residential development, as provided. Existing law, for the 4th and subsequent revisions of the housing element, requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to determine the existing and projected need for housing for each region, as specified, and requires the appropriate council of local governments, or the department for cities and counties without a council of governments, to adopt a final regional housing need plan that allocates a share of the regional housing need to each locality in the region. Existing law, the Housing Accountability Act, among other things, requires a local agency that proposes to disapprove a housing development project, as defined, or to impose a condition that the project be developed at a lower density to base its decision on written findings supported by a preponderance of the evidence that specified conditions exist if that project complies with applicable, objective general plan, zoning, and subdivision standards and criteria in effect at the time that the application was deemed complete. The act authorizes the</p>	4/9/2025	From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to HOUSING.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B79">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B79</a>	

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S.B.220: Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority.	<p>Existing law creates the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority with specified powers and duties relative to transportation planning, programming, and operations in the County of Los Angeles. The authority is governed by a 14-member board of directors consisting of the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, 2 public members and one Los Angeles city council member appointed by the mayor, 4 members appointed from the other cities in the county, the 5 members of the board of supervisors, and a nonvoting member appointed by the Governor. If the number of members of the board of supervisors is increased, existing law requires the authority, within 60 days of the increase, to submit a plan to the Legislature for revising the composition of the authority.</p> <p>Beginning January 1, 2029, this bill would expand the board of directors to 18 members by adding the county executive of the County of Los Angeles and 3 public members appointed by the county executive. The bill would also require the authority, within 60 days of an amendment to the charter of the County of Los Angeles to change the number of members of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors or to eliminate the office of county executive, to submit a plan to the Legislature for revising the composition of the authority. To the extent the bill imposes new duties on the County of Los Angeles, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.</p>	4/9/2025	From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B220">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B220</a>	Oppose

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A.B.339: Local public employee organizations: notice requirements.	Existing law, the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act, contains various provisions that govern collective bargaining of local represented employees and delegates jurisdiction to the Public Employment Relations Board to resolve disputes and enforce the statutory duties and rights of local public agency employers and employees. Existing law requires the governing body of a public agency to meet and confer in good faith regarding wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment with representatives of recognized employee organizations. Existing law requires the governing body of a public agency, and boards and commissions designated by law or by the governing body, to give reasonable written notice, except in cases of emergency, as specified, to each recognized employee organization affected of any ordinance, rule, resolution, or regulation directly relating to matters within the scope of representation proposed to be adopted by the governing body or the designated boards and commissions. This bill would require the governing body of a public agency, and boards and commissions designated by law or by the governing body of a public agency, to give the recognized employee organization no less than 120 days' written notice before issuing a request for proposals, request for quotes, or renewing or extending an existing contract to perform services that are within the scope of work of the job classifications represented by the recognized employee organization. The bill would require the notice to include specified information, including the anticipated duration of the contract. The bill would also require the public agency, if an emergency or other exigent circumstance prevents the public agency from providing the written notice described above, to provide as much advance notice as is practicable under the circumstances. If the recognized employee organization demands to meet and confer within 30 days of receiving the written notice, the bill would require the public agency and recognized employee organization to promptly meet and confer in good faith, as specified. By imposing new duties on local public agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement. This bill would provide that no reimbursement shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions for costs mandated by the state pursuant to this act, but would recognize that a local agency or school district may pursue any available remedies to seek reimbursement for these costs.	4/9/2025	In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to Committee on Appropriations suspense file.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB339">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB339</a>	
S.B.238: Workplace surveillance tools.	Existing law establishes the Department of Industrial Relations in the Labor and Workforce Development Agency to administer and enforce various laws relating to employment and working conditions. This bill would require an employer to annually provide a notice to the department of all the workplace surveillance tools the employer is using in the workplace. The bill would require the notice to include, among other information, the data that will be collected from workers and consumers and whether they will have the option of opting out of the collection of personal data. The bill would require the department to make the notice publicly available on the department's internet website within 30 days of receiving the notice. The bill would define "employer" to include, among other entities, public employers, as specified.	4/9/2025	Set for hearing April 29 in Committee on Judiciary pending receipt.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB238">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB238</a>	

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A.B.359: Fair Political Practices Commission.	<p>The Political Reform Act of 1974 permits the Fair Political Practices Commission, upon mutual agreement between the commission and the governing body of a local government agency, to assume primary responsibility for the administration, implementation, and enforcement of a local campaign finance or government ethics law passed by the local government agency. The act authorizes the commission with respect to the local campaign finance or government ethics law to, among other things, provide advice, investigate possible violations, and bring civil actions. If such an agreement is executed, the act further requires the commission to report to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2025 with specified information, including legislative recommendations, regarding the performance of the agreement. Existing law repeals these provisions on January 1, 2026. This bill would additionally authorize the commission to conduct audits with respect to the local campaign finance or government ethics law. The bill would delete the requirement for the commission to report to the Legislature and remove the January 1, 2026 repeal date, thereby indefinitely extending the operation of the provisions described above.</p> <p>The Political Reform Act of 1974, an initiative measure, provides that the Legislature may amend the act to further the act's purposes upon a vote of each house of the Legislature and compliance with specified procedural requirements.</p> <p>This bill would declare that it furthers the purposes of the act.</p>	4/9/2025	In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to Committee on Appropriations suspense file.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB359">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB359</a>	

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A.B.370: California Public Records Act: cyberattacks.	<p>The California Public Records Act requires state and local agencies to make their records available for public inspection, except as specified. Existing law requires each agency, within 10 days of a request for a copy of records, to determine whether the request seeks copies of disclosable public records in possession of the agency and to promptly notify the person of the determination and the reasons therefor. Existing law authorizes that time limit to be extended by no more than 14 days under unusual circumstances, and defines “unusual circumstances” to include, among other things, the need to search for, collect, and appropriately examine records during a state of emergency when the state of emergency currently affects the agency’s ability to timely respond to requests due to staffing shortages or closure of facilities, as provided.</p> <p>This bill would revise the definition of unusual circumstances as it applies to a state of emergency to require the state of emergency, in addition to currently affecting the agency’s ability to timely respond to requests as described above, to also require the state of emergency to directly affect the agency’s ability to timely respond to requests as described above. By restricting the time period in which a local agency may respond to requests, thus increasing the duties of local officials, this bill would create a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>This bill would also expand the definition of unusual circumstances to include the inability of the agency, because of a cyberattack, to access its electronic servers or systems in order to search for and obtain a record that the agency believes is responsive to a request and is maintained on the servers or systems in an electronic format. Under the bill, the extension would apply only until the agency regains its ability to access its electronic servers or systems and search for and obtain electronic records that may be responsive to a request.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires local agencies, for the purpose of ensuring public access to the meetings of public bodies and the writings of public officials and agencies, to comply with a statutory enactment that amends or enacts laws relating to public records or open meetings and contains findings demonstrating that the enactment furthers the constitutional requirements relating to this purpose.</p> <p>This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.</p> <p>Existing constitutional provisions require that a statute that limits the right of access to the meetings of public bodies or the writings of public officials and agencies be adopted with findings demonstrating the interest</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass. To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 14. Noes 0.) (April 9).	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB370">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB370</a>	

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A.B.420: Public utilities: property, franchises, and permits: exemption.	Existing law vests the Public Utilities Commission with regulatory authority over public utilities. Existing law prohibits public utilities, other than certain common carriers, from selling, leasing, assigning, mortgaging, or otherwise disposing of, or encumbering, its assets that are necessary or useful in the performance of its duties to the public, unless the public utility has secured an order from the commission to do so for a qualified transaction above \$5,000,000 or an approval from the commission through the filing of an advice letter for a qualified transaction at or below \$5,000,000. This bill would exempt from that prohibition a qualified conveyance of an easement or the execution of a relocation agreement that has a ratepayer financial impact valued at \$100,000 or less if a public utility that is a party to the qualified transaction has gross annual California revenues of \$500,000,000 or more. The bill would require, beginning January 1, 2030, and every 5 years thereafter, those threshold values to increase to reflect any increase in inflation, as specified.	4/9/2025	From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to U. & E. Read second time and amended.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB420">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB420</a>	

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S.B.293: Real property tax: transfer of base year value: generational transfers.	<p>The California Constitution generally limits ad valorem taxes on real property to 1% of the full cash value of that property, defined as the county assessor’s valuation of real property as shown on the 1975–76 tax bill and, thereafter, the appraised value of the property when purchased, newly constructed, or a change in ownership occurs after the 1975 assessment, subject to an annual inflation adjustment not to exceed 2%. Existing property tax law provides that the purchase or transfer of the principal residence, and the first \$1,000,000 of other real property, of a transferor in the case of a transfer between parents and their children, or between grandparents and their grandchildren if all the parents of those grandchildren are deceased, is not a “purchase” or “change in ownership” for purposes of determining the “full cash value” of property for taxation.</p> <p>The California Constitution, pursuant to Proposition 19, adopted by the voters at the November 3, 2020, general election, beginning on and after February 16, 2021, excludes from the terms “purchase” and “change in ownership,” for purposes of determining the “full cash value” of property, the purchase or transfer of a family home or family farm, as those terms are defined, of the transferor in the case of a transfer between parents and their children, or between grandparents and their grandchildren if all the parents of those grandchildren are deceased, as specified.</p> <p>Existing law requires a filing to be made with regard to a transfer that is eligible for the above-referenced exclusions, and sets various deadlines, including a requirement to file six months after the date of mailing of a notice of supplemental or escape assessment, issued as a result of the purchase or transfer of real property for which the claim is filed. This bill would require a filing for a transfer that is eligible for the above-referenced exclusions to be treated as timely if the filing is made within three years of the date of mailing of a notice of supplemental or escape assessment if specified requirements are met, including a requirement that the assessor reassesses the property due to a misfortune or calamity in an area proclaimed a state of emergency, as specified. By expanding the duties of local tax officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement. This bill would provide</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass as amended and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations (Ayes 5. Noes 0.) (April 9).	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B293">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B293</a>	

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A.B.486: Vehicles: sideshows and street takeovers.	<p>Existing law prohibits a person from engaging in, aiding, or abetting a motor vehicle speed contest on a highway or in an offstreet parking facility. Upon conviction, existing law punishes the person by imprisonment in a county jail for between 24 hours and 90 days, inclusive, by a fine between \$355 and \$1,000, inclusive, or by both that fine and imprisonment, except as specified. If the vehicle used in the violation was registered to the person who violated the prohibition, existing law also authorizes the impounding of the person's vehicle for between 1 and 30 days. Existing law prohibits a person from engaging in, aiding, or abetting a motor vehicle exhibition of speed on a highway or in an offstreet parking facility. Upon conviction, existing law punishes the person by imprisonment in a county jail for not more than 90 days, by a fine of not more than \$500, or by both that fine and imprisonment. Existing law, commencing July 1, 2025, authorizes the court to order the privilege to operate a motor vehicle suspended for 90 days to 6 months and restrict the person's operation of a motor vehicle for the purposes of the person's employment if the violation of the prohibition on engaging in, aiding, or abetting a motor vehicle exhibition of speed on a highway or in an offstreet parking facility occurred as part of a sideshow, as defined.</p> <p>This bill would clarify that, for purposes of those prohibitions, a person who organizes, facilitates, encourages, promotes, or instigates a sideshow may be charged with aiding or abetting a motor vehicle speed contest or a motor vehicle exhibition of speed even if they are not physically present at the scene of the sideshow, as specified. By expanding the prohibition on aiding or abetting to include an individual who aids or abets, but is not physically present at the scene of, a sideshow, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	4/9/2025	In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to Committee on Appropriations suspense file.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB486">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB486</a>	

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A.B.491: California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: climate goals: natural and working lands.	<p>The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 establishes the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases and requires the state board to ensure that statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 40% below the 1990 level by 2030. The act declares the policy of the state to achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions as soon as possible, but no later than 2045, and to achieve and maintain net negative greenhouse gas emissions thereafter. The act requires the state board to prepare and approve a scoping plan for achieving the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and to update the scoping plan at least once every 5 years.</p> <p>The act also requires the Natural Resources Agency, in collaboration with specified entities, including the state board, to determine an ambitious range of targets for natural carbon sequestration, and for nature-based climate solutions, that reduce greenhouse gas emissions for 2030, 2038, and 2045 to support state goals to achieve carbon neutrality and foster climate adaptation and resilience. The act requires these targets to be integrated into the above-described scoping plan and other state policies.</p> <p>This bill would specify that it is the goal of the state to achieve each of the targets established by the Natural Resources Agency by the applicable date for the target, with priority given to activities that most rapidly, significantly, and cost effectively increase carbon stocks and net sequestration, protect and support ecosystem function, and reduce emissions of greenhouse gases. The bill would also revise the definition of “natural carbon sequestration” for purposes of the above-described provisions.</p>	4/9/2025	In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to Committee on Appropriations suspense file.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB491">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB491</a>	
S.B.445: Transportation: planning: complete streets facilities: sustainable transportation projects.	<p>Existing law requires the Department of Transportation to improve and maintain the state’s highways. Existing law authorizes the department to issue encroachment permits and requires the department to either approve or deny an application from an applicant for an encroachment permit within 60 days of receiving a completed application, as provided. Existing law also requires the department, on or before January 1, 2027, to develop and adopt a project intake, evaluation, and encroachment permit review process for complete streets facilities that are sponsored by a local jurisdiction or a transit agency.</p> <p>This bill would instead require the department to develop and adopt the above-described project intake, evaluation, and encroachment review process on or before February 1, 2027. The bill would also state the intent of the Legislature to amend this bill with legislation that accelerates and makes more reliable third-party permits and approvals for preconstruction and construction activities on sustainable transportation projects. The bill would make related findings and declarations.</p>	4/9/2025	From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB445">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB445</a>	

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A.B.830: State highways: encroachment permits: relocating or removing encroachments: public utility districts.	Existing law establishes the Department of Transportation and vests it with full possession and control of all state highways and all property and rights in property acquired for state highway purposes. Existing law authorizes the department to issue written permits to, among other things, place, change, or renew an encroachment. Existing law requires a permit issued to a county, city, public corporation, or political subdivision that is authorized by law to establish or maintain any works or facilities in, under, or over any public highway, to contain a provision that, in the event the future improvement of the highway necessitates the relocation or removal of the encroachment, the permittee will relocate or remove the encroachment at the permittee's sole expense, as provided.  This bill would exempt a public utility district with a ratepayer base of 5,000 households or fewer from the above-described provision and instead would require the department to bear the sole expense of relocating or removing the public utility district's encroachment in the event a future improvement of the highway necessitates the relocation or removal of the encroachment and to notify the public utility district at each stage of a project that necessitates the relocation or removal of the public utility district's encroachment.	4/9/2025	From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Committee on Transportation Read second time and amended.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB830">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB830</a>	

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S.B.506: Transportation: omnibus bill.	<p>(1)Existing law requires that each application for an original or a renewal of a driver’s license contain certain information, including the applicant’s true full name, age, mailing address, and gender. Existing law also provides that if a driver’s license is lost, destroyed, or mutilated, or if a new true full name is acquired, the person to whom the driver’s license was issued shall obtain a duplicate if the person provides satisfactory proof of the loss, destruction, or mutilation. A violation of these provisions is an infraction.</p> <p>This bill would authorize a person who submits a change of address, as specified, to apply for a duplicate driver’s license. The bill would require the applicant who receives a duplicate through this process to immediately destroy the license containing the prior mailing address. By creating a new crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>(2)Existing law requires the Department of the California Highway Patrol to adopt reasonable rules and regulations that, in the judgment of the department, are designed to promote the safe operation of vehicles, including hours-of-service regulations for drivers of those vehicles that are consistent with specified federal hours-of-service regulations applicable to motor carriers. Existing law establishes exceptions to these regulations for vehicles engaged in intrastate commerce that are not transporting hazardous substances or hazardous waste, including a driver of a truck or truck tractor, except for a driver of a tank vehicle with a capacity of more than 500 gallons transporting flammable liquid, as specified. Existing law authorizes the department to create an exception for a driver, by regulation, of a tank vehicle with a capacity of more than 500 gallons to exceed the maximum driving time, provided that those regulations are consistent with federal laws and regulations, during a state of emergency declared by the Governor and for the purpose of refueling aircraft used in emergency-related activities. This bill would remove the requirement that this exception be consistent with federal laws and regulations and would remove the requirement that the exception be limited to the driver of a tank vehicle with a capacity of more than 500 gallons. The bill would also make certain technical, nonsubstantive changes.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations with recommendation: To consent calendar. (Ayes 15. Noes 0.) (April 8). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B506">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B506</a>	

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S.B.545: High-speed rail: economic opportunities.	Existing law establishes the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation with specified powers and duties related to long-range planning and research. Existing law creates the High-Speed Rail Authority, with specified powers and duties related to the development and implementation of a high-speed train system. This bill would require the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation, on or before July 1, 2026, to commission a study on economic opportunities along the high-speed rail alignment, as provided, and to submit a progress report to the chairpersons of the Senate Committee on Transportation and the Assembly Committee on Transportation for input. The bill would require, on or before January 1, 2027, the study to be completed and a report on the study's findings and recommendations to be submitted to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature. The bill would require an infrastructure district established in support of the high-speed rail project to include local improvements among the eligible projects to be funded by district revenues. The bill would require any revenues collected beyond the establishment of an infrastructure district to be committed to the ongoing maintenance and operation of the high-speed rail system.	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Local Government (Ayes 11. Noes 1.) (April 8). Re-referred to Committee on Local Government	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B545">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B545</a>	

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A.B.1021: Housing: local educational agencies.	<p>(1)The Planning and Zoning Law requires each county and city to adopt a comprehensive, long-term general plan for its physical development, and the development of certain lands outside its boundaries, that includes, among other mandatory elements, a housing element. That law, until January 1, 2033, deems a housing development project an allowable use on any real property owned by a local educational agency if the housing development satisfies specified conditions, including, among others, consisting of at least 10 housing units, 100% of the units being rented by local educational agency employees, local public employees, and general members of the public pursuant to a specified priority, and a majority of the units being deed restricted for lower income or moderate-income households, as specified.</p> <p>Existing law, the Housing Accountability Act, among other things, prohibits a local agency from disapproving a housing development project for very low, low-, or moderate-income households unless the local agency makes written findings as to one of certain sets of conditions, as specified, and describes various procedural requirements applicable to housing development projects.</p> <p>This bill would revise and recast the provisions deeming a housing development project an allowable use on any real property owned by a local educational agency. The bill would require the housing development to satisfy specified conditions, and would apply the specified procedural requirements of the Housing Accountability Act to review of housing development projects subject to these provisions. The bill would provide that a proposed housing development project is eligible for a density bonus, as specified, and would define various terms for these purposes. The bill would extend the operation of these provisions until January 1, 2036.</p> <p>(2)Existing law, prior to the sale, lease, or rental of any excess real property, requires the governing board of each school district to appoint a school district advisory committee to advise the governing board of the school district in the development of districtwide policies and procedures governing the use or disposition of school buildings or space in school buildings that is not needed for school purposes. Notwithstanding that law, existing law authorizes the governing board of a school district to elect not to appoint a school district advisory committee in the sale, lease, or rental of excess real property to be used for teacher or school district employee housing.</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Local Government (Ayes 8. Noes 1.) (April 9). Re-referred to Committee on Local Government	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1021">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1021</a>	

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S.B.671: Pedestrian crossing signals.	<p>Under existing law, a pedestrian control signal showing a “WALK” or approved “Walking Person” symbol means a pedestrian may proceed across the roadway in the direction of the signal. Under existing law, a pedestrian facing a flashing “DON’T WALK” or “WAIT” or approved “Upraised Hand” symbol with a “countdown” signal, as specified, means a pedestrian may start crossing the roadway in the direction of the signal but requires the pedestrian to finish crossing prior to the display of the steady “DON’T WALK” or “WAIT” or approved “Upraised Hand” symbol, as specified.</p> <p>Upon the first placement or replacement of a traffic-actuated signal, as specified, existing law requires that traffic-actuated signal to be installed and maintained to detect bicycle or motorcycle traffic on the roadway. For these purposes, existing law defines a traffic-actuated signal as an official traffic signal, as specified, that displays one or more of its indications in response to traffic detected by mechanical, visual, electrical, or other means. Upon the first placement or replacement of a state-owned or -operated traffic-actuated signal, existing law requires that the traffic-actuated signal to be installed and maintained to have a leading pedestrian interval (LPI) and include the installation, activation, and maintenance of an accessible pedestrian signal (APS) and detector that complies with certain sections of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CA MUTCD).</p> <p>At crosswalks with state-owned or -operated traffic-actuated signals and pedestrian hybrid beacons with pedestrian signal heads, this bill would require the walk indication and other visual signals to comply with CA MUTCD. The bill would require these pedestrian signal heads to have an APS pushbutton or touch-free APS that activates “WALK” or “DON’T WALK” intervals and other visual signals at signalized intersections in nonvisual formats. The bill would require touch-free APS to be installed at new signalized pedestrian crossings on capital projects on the state highway system, encroachment projects, and highway maintenance-funded projects, as specified. The bill would require, as soon as practicable, all existing state-owned or -operated traffic signals located in certain areas to be identified and recorded in the Department of Transportation management system (TMS) inventory database to assist future annual operational review requirements and coordination with local agencies for delegated signals. The bill would require LPIs to be implemented at these existing state-owned or -operated traffic signals locations at the next opportunity for regularly scheduled operational reviews. The bill would require local agencies to report the</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations with recommendation: To consent calendar. (Ayes 15. Noes 0.) (April 8). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B671">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B671</a>	
S.B.544: Railroad crossings: permit applications: review.	<p>Under existing law, the Public Utilities Commission has the exclusive power to, among other things, determine and prescribe the manner and the terms of installation, operation, maintenance, use, and protection of railroad crossings. Existing law prohibits the construction of a public road, highway, or street across the track of any railroad corporation at grade and other specified actions with regard to railroad crossings without the permission of the commission.</p> <p>This bill would require an application for a railroad crossing to include, at a minimum, certain information concerning the proposed railroad crossing. The bill would authorize the commission to partially or completely exempt railroad crossing applications that meet certain requirements from review under otherwise applicable adjudication procedures and would authorize the commission to establish an expedited review and approval process for those applications.</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations with recommendation: To consent calendar. (Ayes 15. Noes 0.) (April 8). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B544">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B544</a>	

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A.B.1014: Traffic safety: speed limits.	<p>Existing law establishes various default speed limits for vehicles upon highways, as specified. Existing law requires the Department of Transportation, by regulation, to require speed limits to be rounded up or down to the nearest 5 miles per hour of the 85th percentile of free-flowing traffic. Existing law authorizes a local authority to additionally lower the speed limit in specified circumstances, or retain the currently adopted speed limit in certain circumstances.</p> <p>This bill would authorize the department to additionally lower or retain the speed limit in those specified circumstances.</p> <p>Under certain circumstances, existing law authorizes a local authority to set, by ordinance, a 25- or 20-mile-per-hour facie speed limit on specified highways.</p> <p>This bill would similarly authorize the department to set, by regulation, for a highway that is not a freeway, a 25- or 20-mile-per-hour prima facie speed limit.</p> <p>Existing law requires a local authority to issue only warning citations for specified speed limit violations for the first 30 days that a lower speed limit is in effect.</p> <p>This bill would instead impose this requirement on any peace officer.</p>	4/9/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1014">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1014</a>	
S.B.783: Outdoor advertising displays: redevelopment agency project areas.	<p>The Outdoor Advertising Act provides for the regulation by the Department of Transportation of an advertising display, as defined, within view of public highways. The act regulates the placement of an off-premises advertising display along highways that generally advertises business conducted or services rendered or goods produced or sold at a location other than the property where the display is located. The act does not apply to an on-premises advertising display, which generally advertises business conducted, services rendered, or goods produced or sold at the location where the display is located. However, the act authorizes an off-premises advertising display developed as part of and within the boundary limits of a redevelopment agency project, as those boundaries existed on December 29, 2011, to continue to exist and be considered an on-premises display if it meets certain criteria, and authorizes such a display to remain until January 1, 2026.</p> <p>This bill would extend by 4 years, until January 1, 2030, the authorization to remain for an off-premises advertising display developed as part of and within the boundary limits of a redevelopment agency project, as described above.</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations (Ayes 14. Noes 0.) (April 8). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB783">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB783</a>	

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A.B.1340: Transportation network company drivers: labor relations.	<p>Existing law declares the public policy of the state regarding labor organization, including, among other things, that it is necessary for a worker to have full freedom of association, self-organization, and designation of representatives of their own choosing, to negotiate the terms and conditions of their employment, and to be free from the interference, restraint, or coercion of employers of labor, or their agents, in the designation of such representatives or in self-organization or in other concerted activities for the purpose of collective bargaining or other mutual aid or protection.</p> <p>Existing law, the Protect App-Based Drivers and Services Act, added by Proposition 22, as approved by the voters at the November 3, 2020, statewide general election (the initiative), categorizes app-based drivers for network companies, as defined, as independent contractors if certain conditions are met. Existing law requires, among other things, that the network company provide a health care subsidy to qualifying app-based drivers, provide a minimum level of compensation for app-based drivers, and not restrict app-based drivers from working in any other lawful occupation or business. Existing case law holds that specified provisions of the initiative are invalid on separation of powers grounds; however, the court severed the unconstitutional provisions, allowing the rest of the initiative to remain in effect.</p> <p>Existing law also establishes the Labor and Workforce Development Agency in state government under the supervision of the Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development, and charges the agency with oversight of specified departments, boards, and panels.</p> <p>This bill, the Transportation Network Company Drivers Labor Relations Act, would establish that transportation network company (TNC) drivers have the right to form, join, and participate in the activities of TNC driver organizations of their own choosing to engage in other concerted activities for the purpose of collective bargaining or other mutual aid or protection. The bill would provide that TNC drivers also have the right to refuse to join or participate in the activities of TNC driver organizations. The bill would require the Labor and Workforce Development Agency to enforce these provisions. The bill would define various terms for purposes of the act and would make related legislative policy statements.</p>	4/9/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1340">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1340</a>	

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S.B.677: Housing development: streamlined approvals.	<p>(1)Existing law, the Planning and Zoning Law, requires a proposed housing development containing no more than 2 residential units within a single-family residential zone to be considered ministerially, without discretionary review or hearing, if the proposed housing development meets certain requirements.</p> <p>This bill would require ministerial approval for proposed housing developments containing no more than 2 residential units on any lot hosting a single-family home or zoned for 4 or fewer residential units, notwithstanding any covenant, condition, or restriction imposed by a common interest development association. Existing law prohibits ministerial approval for proposed housing developments that would require the demolition or alteration of housing that, among other things, has been occupied by a tenant in the last three years.</p> <p>This bill would provide an exception to that prohibition for housing located in a county subject to a state of emergency declaration, as specified. The bill would also provide an exemption to the prohibition if a structure on the development site that includes at least one housing unit was involuntarily damaged or destroyed by an earthquake, other catastrophic event, or the public enemy.</p> <p>Existing law authorizes a local agency to impose objective zoning standards, objective subdivision standards, and objective design review standards on the proposed housing development, except as specified, including that (1) the imposed standards may not have the effect of physically precluding a unit from being at least 800 square feet in floor area, (2) a local agency’s authority to impose, among other things, setbacks, is restricted, and (3) the local agency is prohibited from imposing standards that do not apply uniformly to development within the underlying zone.</p> <p>This bill would revise and recast those provisions to, among other things, as to the exceptions specified above, raise the minimum size of a unit to 1,750 net habitable square feet, revise a local agency’s authority to impose setbacks, and, in addition to objective standards, prohibit a local agency from imposing permitting requirements that do not apply uniformly to development within the underlying zone, except as specified. The bill would prohibit a local agency from imposing a low-income deed restriction or covenant that restricts rents, as specified. The bill would prohibit local agencies from using or imposing any standards other than those provided by its provisions.</p> <p>Existing law authorizes a local agency to adopt an ordinance to implement these provisions.</p>	4/9/2025	From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to HOUSING.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B677">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B677</a>	

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S.B.743: Education finance: Education Equalization Act: Equalization Reserve Account.	<p>The Classroom Instructional Improvement and Accountability Act, an initiative approved by the voters as Proposition 98 at the November 8, 1988, statewide general election, amended the California Constitution to, among other things, set forth a formula for computing the minimum amount of revenues that the state is required to appropriate for the support of school districts and community college districts in any given fiscal year. The California Constitution requires the Legislature to apportion to school districts from the State School Fund in each fiscal year basic state aid of at least \$120 per pupil in average daily attendance, except that the total amount apportioned to each school district in each fiscal year must be at least \$2,400.</p> <p>The California Constitution creates the Public School System Stabilization Account in the General Fund and requires the Controller to transfer, pursuant to a schedule provided by the Director of Finance, a specified amount from the General Fund to the account in each fiscal year, except as provided.</p> <p>The California Constitution generally prohibits the total annual appropriations subject to limitation of the state and each local government from exceeding the appropriations limit of the entity of government for the prior fiscal year, adjusted for the change in the cost of living and the change in population. The California Constitution defines “appropriations subject to limitation” for these purposes.</p> <p>This bill would establish the Equalization Reserve Account in the General Fund.</p> <p>The bill would require funds in the account to be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to increase per-pupil funding in non-basic aid school districts, as defined, in a manner prescribed by the Legislature. The bill would require the Controller, in any fiscal year in which there is an increase over the preceding fiscal year in the minimum amount of revenues the state is required to appropriate for the support of school districts and community college districts, to transfer from the General Fund to the Equalization Reserve Account an amount equal to the total amount transferred from the General Fund to the Public School System Stabilization Account in that fiscal year, as provided.</p> <p>These provisions would become operative only if a constitutional amendment, approved by the voters, (1) excludes funds transferred to or allocated from the account from computations of the minimum amount of revenues that the state is required to appropriate for the support of school districts and community college districts, from the moneys allocated for purposes of meeting that minimum funding obligation, and from the total annual state appropriations subject to the limitation described</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations (Ayes 4. Noes 0.) (April 9). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B743">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B743</a>	

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S.B.703: Ports: truck drivers.	<p>Existing law regulates the operation of ports and harbors. Existing law requires a person providing labor or services for remuneration to be considered an employee rather than an independent contractor unless the hiring entity demonstrates that certain conditions are satisfied, including that the person is free from the control and direction of the hiring entity in connection with the performance of the work, both under the contract for the performance of the work and in fact.</p> <p>This bill would require a trucking company and a truck driver who is not classified as an employee by a trucking company to provide to a port, before a truck driver enters the port, certain information related to the truck driver's legal classification as either an employee or an independent contractor, including a sworn affirmation by a trucking company that the trucking company is withholding all required taxes from the wages of any truck driver who is considered an employee under state law. By expanding the scope of the crime of perjury, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would punish a person who provides false or misleading information for the purpose of representing compliance with the bill with a certain civil penalty, as prescribed.</p> <p>This bill would require a port to disclose, in a prominent place on its internet website, information provided by a trucking company that uses the port, including, but not limited to, whether the trucking company uses employees, independent contractors, or both. The bill would prohibit a port from granting entry to a trucking company if the trucking company has not provided to the port the information that is required to be disclosed on the port's internet website. The bill would impose a penalty of \$60,000 on a port for each trucking company that is granted entry to the port in violation of that prohibition.</p> <p>This bill would require a port, on or before the 15th of each month, to provide to the Labor Commissioner specified information regarding each truck that entered the port during the prior month. The bill would require a port, upon request of the Labor Commissioner, to provide additional information regarding a truck that entered the port.</p> <p>By imposing new duties on ports, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Labor, Public Employment and Retirement (Ayes 11. Noes 3.) (April 8). Re-referred to Committee on Labor, Public Employment and Retirement	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B703">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B703</a>	

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A.B.1276: Housing developments: ordinances, policies, and standards.	<p>The Planning and Zoning law, among other things, authorizes a development proponent to submit an application for a development that is subject to a streamlined, ministerial approval process, as provided, and not subject to a conditional use permit, if the development satisfies specified objective planning standards.</p> <p>The Housing Accountability Act, which is part of the Planning and Zoning Law, prohibits a local agency from disapproving, or conditioning approval in a manner that renders infeasible, a housing development project, as defined for purposes of the act, for very low, low-, or moderate-income households or an emergency shelter unless the local agency makes specified written findings based on a preponderance of the evidence in the record. That act states</p> <p>that it shall not be construed to prohibit a local agency from requiring a housing development project to comply with objective, quantifiable, written development standards, conditions, and policies appropriate to, and consistent with, meeting the jurisdiction’s share of the regional housing need, except as provided. The act further provides that for its purposes, a housing development project or emergency shelter shall be deemed consistent, compliant, and in conformity with an applicable plan, program, policy, ordinance, standard, requirement, or other similar provision if there is substantial evidence that would allow a reasonable person to conclude that the housing development project or emergency shelter is consistent, compliant, or in conformity. The act requires a housing development project to be subject only to the ordinances, policies, and standards adopted and in effect when a preliminary application, as specified, was submitted, except as otherwise provided. The act defines “ordinances, policies, and standards” to include general plan, community plan, specific plan, zoning, design review standards and criteria, subdivision standards and criteria, and any other rules, regulations, requirements, and policies of a local agency, as defined, including those relating to development impact fees, capacity or connection fees or charges, permit or processing fees, and other exactions. This bill would include in the definition of “ordinances, policies, and standards” materials requirements, postentitlement permit standards, and any rules, regulations, determinations, and other requirements adopted or implemented by other public agencies, as defined.</p> <p>This bill would also provide that for the purposes of the Planning and Zoning Law, a housing development project or emergency shelter shall be deemed consistent, compliant, and in conformity with an applicable plan, program, policy,</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Local Government with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 12. Noes 0.) (April 9). Re-referred to Committee on Local Government	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1276">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1276</a>	

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S.B.676: California Environmental Quality Act: judicial streamlining: state of emergency: fire.	<p>The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment.</p> <p>This bill would require, for a project located in a geographic area that was damaged by fire for which the Governor declared a state of emergency on or after January 1, 2023, and the project is not otherwise exempt from CEQA, as specified, the lead agency to prepare the record of proceeding concurrently with the administrative process. The bill would also require an action or proceeding brought to attack, review, set aside, void, or annul the certification of an environmental impact report, or the adoption of a negative declaration or mitigation negative declaration, for the project to be resolved, to the extent feasible, within 270 calendar days of the filing of the certified record of proceedings. The bill would require the project to be consistent with the applicable zoning and land use ordinances. By requiring a lead agency to prepare the record of proceedings concurrently with the administrative process, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>No reimbursement is required by this act pursuant to Section 6 of Article XIII B of the California Constitution because a local agency or school district has the authority to levy service charges, fees, or assessments sufficient to pay for the program or level of service mandated by this act, within the meaning of Section 17556 of the Government Code.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	4/9/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Judiciary	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B676">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B676</a>	

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S.B.692: Vehicles: homelessness.	<p>Existing law makes it unlawful for a peace officer or an unauthorized person to remove an unattended vehicle from a highway, except as provided. Under existing law, the removal of a vehicle is a seizure, subject to the limits set forth in jurisprudence for the Fourth Amendment of the United States Constitution. Existing law authorizes a city, county, or city and county to adopt an ordinance establishing procedures for the abatement and removal, as public nuisances, of abandoned, wrecked, dismantled, or inoperative vehicles or parts of vehicles from private or public property. Existing law requires that any ordinance for the removal of abandoned vehicles contain certain provisions, including a provision exempting vehicles under certain circumstances, and a provision providing no less than a 10-day notice of intention to abate and remove the vehicle or part thereof as a public nuisance, unless the property owner and the owner of the vehicle sign releases. Existing law also exempts from the 10-day notice prior to removal provision, a vehicle meeting specified requirements, including being valued at less than \$200 and being determined to be a public nuisance, if the property owner has signed a release.</p> <p>This bill would additionally authorize a city, county, or city and county to adopt an ordinance for the abatement and removal of vehicles formerly used as shelter by a person. The bill would require an ordinance establishing procedures for the removal of abandoned vehicles to contain a provision making the ordinance applicable to public agencies operating certain vehicle buyback programs, as specified. The bill would also specifically authorize a local government to perform emergency summary abatement of vehicles creating imminent health and safety hazards. The bill would modify the exemption from prior 10-day notice of intention to abate and remove a vehicle to no longer require that both the vehicle be determined to be a public nuisance and that the property owner sign a release.</p> <p>Existing law authorizes vehicles or parts thereof to be disposed of by removal to, among other places, a scrapyard or automobile dismantler's yard.</p> <p>The bill would authorize specified vehicles to be scrapped and dismantled in place and disposed of at a suitable site operated by a local authority.</p>	4/9/2025	From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Public Safety	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B692">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B692</a>	

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S.B.748: Encampment Resolution Funding program: cars and recreational vehicles: reporting.	Existing law establishes the Encampment Resolution Funding program, administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development, to increase collaboration between the department, local jurisdictions, and continuums of care for, among other things, providing encampment resolution grants to local jurisdictions and continuums of care to resolve critical encampment concerns and transition individuals into safe and stable housing. Existing law requires the department to report to the chairs of the relevant fiscal and policy committees of the Legislature on the outcomes, learnings, and best practices models identified through the program. This bill would additionally include assisting specified local jurisdictions with, among other things, removing and storing cars and recreational vehicles, as specified, acquiring property for safe parking sites, and increasing safe parking site hours, as purposes of the program. Beginning on April 1, 2026, and quarterly thereafter, the bill would require the department to report to the chairs of the Senate and Assembly Committees on Local Government, the Senate and Assembly Committees on Transportation, the Senate Committee on Housing, and the Assembly Committee on Housing and Community Development on the funding distributed for each of the program's purposes, as specified.	4/9/2025	Read second time and amended. Re-referred to HOUSING.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B748">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B748</a>	

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S.B.809: Employees and independent contractors: construction trucking.	<p>(1)Existing law, as established in the case of Dynamex Operations W. v. Superior Court (2018) 4 Cal.5th 903 (Dynamex), creates a presumption that a worker who performs services for a hirer is an employee for purposes of claims for wages and benefits arising under wage orders issued by the Industrial Welfare Commission. Existing law requires a 3-part test, commonly known as the “ABC” test, to determine if workers are employees or independent contractors for those purposes.</p> <p>Existing law establishes that, for purposes of the Labor Code, the Unemployment Insurance Code, and the wage orders of the Industrial Welfare Commission, a person providing labor or services for remuneration is considered an employee rather than an independent contractor unless the hiring entity demonstrates that the person is free from the control and direction of the hiring entity in connection with the performance of the work, the person performs work that is outside the usual course of the hiring entity’s business, and the person is customarily engaged in an independently established trade, occupation, or business. This test is commonly known as the “ABC” test, as described above. Existing law charges the Labor Commissioner with the enforcement of labor laws, including worker classification.</p> <p>Existing law exempts specified occupations and business relationships from the application of Dynamex and the provisions described above.</p> <p>This bill would provide that mere ownership of a vehicle, including a personal vehicle or a commercial vehicle, used by a person in providing labor or services for remuneration does not make that person an independent contractor.</p> <p>(2)Existing law establishes the Motor Carrier Employer Amnesty Program administered by the Labor Commissioner and the Employment Development Department. Pursuant to the program, notwithstanding any law, a motor carrier performing drayage services may be relieved of liability for statutory or civil penalties associated with the misclassification of commercial drivers as independent contractors if the motor carrier enters into a settlement agreement with the commissioner, with the cooperation and consent of the department, prior to January 1, 2017, whereby the motor carrier agrees to classify all of its commercial drivers as employees, and the settlement agreement contains prescribed components, including, but not limited to, an agreement by the motor carrier to pay all wages, benefits, and taxes owed, if any.</p>	4/9/2025	Set for hearing April 22 in Committee on Judiciary pending receipt.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B809">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B809</a>	

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S.B.16: Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention program: housing element: Integrated Plan for Behavioral Health Services and Outcomes.	<p>(1)The Planning and Zoning Law requires a city or county to adopt a general plan for land use development that includes, among other things, a housing element. Existing law requires the housing element to include, among other things, an assessment of housing needs and an inventory of resources and constraints that are relevant to meeting these needs.</p> <p>For a local government that does not receive funding to address the population of individuals who are unhoused pursuant to certain state programs, this bill would require the assessment to include, among other things, specified data regarding the population of individuals who are unhoused and a description of key actions that will be taken to reduce individuals who are unhoused based on the data. By imposing additional duties on local governments, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>(2)Existing law establishes the Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention program (HHAP) for the purpose of providing jurisdictions with grant funds to support regional coordination and expand or develop local capacity to address their immediate homelessness challenges, as specified. Existing law provides for the allocation of funding under the program among continuums of care, cities, counties, and tribes in 6 rounds, which are administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development.</p> <p>Upon appropriation by the Legislature, this bill would establish Round 7 of the HHAP program. To be eligible for a Round 7 base program allocation, the bill would require specified jurisdictions to apply as part of a region and be signatory to a Round 7 regionally coordinated homeless action plan that has been approved by the department. The bill would require the plan to include an inventory of existing and planned city-operated shelters, the expected cost for those shelters, and a commitment by counties to contribute 50% of the expected costs, as specified.</p> <p>On or before the end of the 2025–26 fiscal year, the bill would require a grantee to submit to the department an update on its regionally coordinated homeless action plan activities for department review, as specified. The bill would authorize a board of supervisors of a county to adopt a resolution determining that contributing 50% of expected costs is financially infeasible, as specified. If a county adopts the resolution, the bill would require the department to determine the contribution percentage of the county, as specified. On or before the end of the 2025–26 fiscal year, the bill would require cities to submit to the department the actual operating cost of city-</p>	4/8/2025	Set for hearing April 30 in Committee on Health pending receipt.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B16">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B16</a>	

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A.B.91: State and local agencies: demographic data.	<p>Existing law requires state agencies, boards, and commissions that collect demographic data as to the ancestry or ethnic origin of Californians to use separate collection categories and tabulations for each major Asian and Pacific Islander group and to include that data in every demographic report published on or after July 1, 2012, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would require state and local agencies that collect demographic data as to the ancestry or ethnic origin of Californians to use separate collection categories and tabulations for major Middle Eastern or North African groups, as specified, and, with certain exceptions, to include that data in every demographic report published on or after January 1, 2027, and to make the aggregated data available to the public.</p> <p>Existing constitutional provisions require that a statute that limits the right of access to the meetings of public bodies or the writings of public officials and agencies be adopted with findings demonstrating the interest protected by the limitation and the need for protecting that interest.</p> <p>This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.</p> <p>The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.</p>	4/8/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 12. Noes 0.) (April 8). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB91">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB91</a>	

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S.B.63: San Francisco Bay area: local revenue measure: transportation funding.	<p>(1)Existing law creates the Metropolitan Transportation Commission as a local area planning agency for the 9-county San Francisco Bay area with comprehensive regional transportation planning and other related responsibilities. Existing law creates various transit districts located in the San Francisco Bay area, with specified powers and duties relating to providing public transit services.</p> <p>This bill would establish the Transportation Revenue Measure District with jurisdiction extending throughout the boundaries of the Counties of Alameda and Contra Costa and the City and County of San Francisco and would require the district to be governed by the same board that governs the commission, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program. The bill would authorize a retail transactions and use tax applicable to the entire district to be imposed by the board of the district or by a qualified voter initiative for a duration of 10 to 15 years, inclusive, and generally in an amount of 0.5%, subject to voter approval at the November 3, 2026, statewide general election. After allocations are made for various administrative expenses, the bill would require an unspecified portion of the proceeds of the tax to be allocated by the commission to initiatives included in a specified commission plan and to the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District, the Peninsula Rail Transit District, commonly known as Caltrain, the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District, and the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency for operating expenses, and would require the remaining proceeds to be subvended directly to the counties comprising the district for public transportation expenses, as prescribed. By adding to the duties of local officials with respect to elections procedures for this bill on behalf of the district, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>(2)Existing law requires the commission to develop regional transit service objectives, develop performance measures of efficiency and effectiveness, specify uniform data requirements to assess public transit service benefits and costs, and formulate procedures for establishing regional transportation priorities in the allocation of funds for transportation purposes.</p> <p>This bill would require the commission, upon the approval of a measure by the voters of the Transportation Revenue Measure District, to engage in a comprehensive independent third party financial efficiency review of the above-described transit operators receiving an allocation of the proceeds of the tax from the commission and would require the independent third party contracted by the commission for this purpose to prepare a final</p>	4/8/2025	Set for hearing April 22.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B63">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B63</a>	

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A.B.239: State-led County of Los Angeles disaster housing task force.	<p>Existing law establishes the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) and sets forth its powers and duties, including updating and revising the California Statewide Housing Plan, as provided. Existing law establishes the Office of Emergency Services (OES), which is responsible for the state’s emergency and disaster response services for natural, technological, or human-induced disasters and emergencies, including responsibility for activities necessary to prevent, respond to, recover from, and mitigate the effects of emergencies and disasters on people and property.</p> <p>This bill would require HCD and OES to jointly convene a state-led County of Los Angeles disaster housing task force, as specified, for the purpose of coordinating and streamling efforts between HCD, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, OES, and local governments to rebuild housing in communities impacted by the wildfires that began on January 7, 2025, in the County of Los Angeles. The bill would require the task force to appoint a state disaster housing coordinator to accelerate the delivery of resources to communities impacted by the wildfires. The bill would require the task force to create a central rebuilding database published on HCD’s internet website, as described, and report to the Legislature on the status of rebuilding housing in communities impacted by the wildfires, on April 1, 2026, and every quarter thereafter, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Counties of Los Angeles and Ventura.</p> <p>This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.</p>	4/8/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations (Ayes 7. Noes 0.) (April 7). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB239">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB239</a>	

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S.B.74: Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation: Infrastructure Gap-Fund Program.	Existing law establishes the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation in the Governor’s office for the purpose of serving the Governor and the Governor’s cabinet as staff for long-range planning and research and constituting the comprehensive state planning agency. Existing law authorizes a local agency to finance infrastructure projects through various means, including by authorizing a city or county to establish an enhanced infrastructure financing district to finance public capital facilities or other specified projects of communitywide significance that provide significant benefits to the district or the surrounding community. This bill would require the office, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to establish the Infrastructure Gap-Fund Program to provide grants to local agencies for the development and construction of infrastructure projects, as defined, facing unforeseen costs after starting construction. The bill would authorize the office to provide funding for up to 20% of a project’s additional projected cost, as defined, after the project has started construction, subject to specified conditions, including, among other things, that the local agency has allocated existing local tax revenue for at least 45% of the initially budgeted total cost of the infrastructure project. When applying to the program, the bill would require the local agency to demonstrate challenges with completing the project on time and on budget and how the infrastructure project helps meet state and local goals, as specified. The bill would require the office to develop guidelines to implement the program that establish the criteria by which grant applications will be evaluated and funded. The bill would make these provisions operative on January 1, 2030.	4/8/2025	Set for hearing April 21.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B74">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B74</a>	

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A.B.289: State highway work zone speed safety program.	<p>Existing law authorizes, until January 1, 2032, the City of Malibu to establish a speed safety system pilot program for speed enforcement on the Pacific Coast Highway if the system meets specified requirements. Existing law requires the city to administer a public information campaign at least 30 days before implementation of the program, including information relating to when the systems would begin detecting violations. Existing law requires the city to issue warning notices rather than notices of violations for violations detected within the first 60 calendar days of the program. Existing law also requires the city to develop guidelines for, among other things, the processing and storage of confidential information. Existing law requires photographic or administrative records made by a system to be confidential, except as specified, and would only authorize public agencies to use and allow access to these records for specified purposes.</p> <p>This bill would authorize, until January 1, 2032, the Department of Transportation to establish a similar program for speed enforcement that utilizes up to 75 speed safety systems on state highway construction or maintenance areas, as specified. The bill would require the department to adopt written guidelines for the use of speed safety systems before entering into an agreement regarding a speed safety system, purchasing or leasing equipment for a program, or implementing a program, and would require the department, in developing the guidelines, to consult with the Department of the California Highway Patrol and other relevant stakeholder organizations. The bill would only authorize the Department of Transportation to use and allow access to the photograph, video recording, other visual image, or administrative records for specified purposes.</p> <p>Existing law requires a violation of a speed law recorded by a speed safety system to be subject only to civil penalties, as specified. Existing law requires, among other things, the issuance of a notice of violation, an initial review, an administrative hearing, and an appeals process, as specified, for a violation under the speed safety pilot program.</p> <p>This bill would require the department to also implement similar provisions if it establishes the state highway work zone speed safety program on state highway construction or maintenance areas.</p> <p>Existing law requires the city to submit a report to evaluate the speed safety system to determine the system's impact on street safety and the economic impact on the communities</p>	4/8/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Privacy and Consumer Protection (Ayes 15. Noes 0.) (April 7). Re-referred to Committee on Privacy and Consumer Protection	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB289">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB289</a>	

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S.B.233: Regional housing need: determination: consultation with councils of governments.	<p>The Planning and Zoning Law requires each county and city to adopt a comprehensive, long-term general plan for the physical development of the county or city, which includes, among other mandatory elements, a housing element. Existing law requires, for the 4th and subsequent revisions of the housing element, the Department of Housing and Community Development, in consultation with each council of governments, where applicable, to determine the existing and projected need for housing for each region, as prescribed. Existing law requires, among other things, the department to meet and consult with the council of governments regarding the assumptions and methodology to be used by the department to determine the region's housing needs at least 26 months prior to the scheduled revision of the housing element and before developing the existing and projected housing need for a region.</p> <p>This bill would require the department to meet and consult with the council of governments, as described above, pursuant to prescribed deadlines. For the 7th revision of the housing element, the bill would require the department to meet and consult with each council of governments at least 38 months prior to the scheduled revision, except for specified councils of governments. For the 8th and subsequent revision of the housing element, the bill would require the department to meet and consult with each council of governments at least 38 months prior to the scheduled revision.</p>	4/8/2025	Read second time. Ordered to consent calendar.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B233">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B233</a>	

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S.B.239: Open meetings: teleconferencing: subsidiary body.	<p>Existing law, the Ralph M. Brown Act, requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body, as defined, of a local agency be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate. The act generally requires for teleconferencing that the legislative body of a local agency that elects to use teleconferencing post agendas at all teleconference locations, identify each teleconference location in the notice and agenda of the meeting or proceeding, and have each teleconference location be accessible to the public. Existing law also requires that, during the teleconference, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction, except as specified.</p> <p>Existing law, until January 1, 2026, authorizes specified neighborhood city councils to use alternate teleconferencing provisions related to notice, agenda, and public participation, as prescribed, if, among other requirements, the city council has adopted an authorizing resolution and of the neighborhood city council votes to use alternate teleconference provisions, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would authorize a subsidiary body, as defined, to use alternative teleconferencing provisions and would impose requirements for notice, agenda, and public participation, as prescribed. The bill would require the subsidiary body to post the agenda at each physical meeting location designated by the subsidiary body, as specified. The bill would require the members of the subsidiary body to visibly appear on camera during the open portion of a meeting that is publicly accessible via the internet or other online platform, as specified. The bill would also require the subsidiary body to list a member of the subsidiary body who participates in a teleconference meeting from a remote location in the minutes of the meeting.</p> <p>The bill would require the legislative body that established the subsidiary body electing to use teleconferencing pursuant to these provisions to establish the subsidiary body by charter, ordinance, resolution, or other formal action to make specified findings by majority vote, before the subsidiary body uses teleconferencing for the first time and every 12 months thereafter. The bill would require the subsidiary body to approve the use of teleconference by vote before using teleconference pursuant to these provisions.</p> <p>The bill would exempt from these alternative teleconferencing provisions a subsidiary body that has subject</p>	4/8/2025	Set for hearing May 6.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B239">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B239</a>	

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S.B.274: Automated license plate recognition systems.	<p>Existing law prohibits the state, a city, a county, a city and county, or any agency or political subdivision of the state, a city, a county, or a city and county, including, but not limited to, a law enforcement agency, from selling, sharing, or transferring automated license plate recognition (ALPR) information, except to another public agency, and only as otherwise permitted by law. Existing law defines ALPR information as information or data collected through the use of an ALPR system.</p> <p>This bill would, in compliance with specified laws, prohibit a public agency from entering into a contract to share ALPR information with a foreign jurisdiction or data broker, as defined, for immigration enforcement purposes, continuing any contract to share ALPR information with a foreign jurisdiction or data broker if the public agency knows that the ALPR information is being used for immigration enforcement purposes, using an ALPR system to gather geolocation data at specified locations for immigration enforcement purposes, and, if the public agency is a law enforcement agency, collecting or retaining ALPR information unless that information is related to a criminal investigation or to an individual suspected of a crime. By imposing new requirements on public agencies, which include local agencies, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>Existing law requires an ALPR operator and ALPR end-user to maintain reasonable security procedures and practices, including operational, administrative, technical, and physical safeguards, to protect ALPR information from unauthorized access, destruction, use, modification, or disclosure.</p> <p>This bill would require those security procedures and practices to include safeguards for managing which employees can see the data from their systems, as specified, and requiring data security training and data privacy training for all employees that access ALPR information. The bill would also require an ALPR operator or ALPR end user that is a law enforcement agency to establish a maximum data retention period for ALPR information.</p> <p>Existing law requires an ALPR operator and ALPR end-user to implement a usage and privacy policy that includes, among other things, a description of the job title or other designation of the employees and independent contractors who are authorized to access and use ALPR information.</p> <p>This bill would require the usage and privacy policy to identify what purpose employees and independent</p>	4/8/2025	Set for hearing April 22.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B274">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B274</a>	

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A.B.472: Energy: offshore wind generation.	Existing law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission), in coordination with specified agencies, to develop a strategic plan for offshore wind energy developments installed off the California coast in federal waters, and requires the Energy Commission to submit the strategic plan to the Natural Resources Agency and the Legislature on or before June 30, 2023, as specified. Existing law requires the Energy Commission, in coordination with relevant state and local agencies, to develop a plan to improve waterfront facilities that could support a range of floating offshore wind energy development activities, as specified. Existing law, the California Infrastructure Planning Act, requires the Governor to annually submit a 5-year infrastructure plan to the Legislature in conjunction with the Governor’s Budget. Under existing law, “infrastructure” means real property, including land and improvements to the land, structures and equipment integral to the operation of structures, easements, rights-of-way, and other forms of interest in property, roadways, and water conveyances. This bill would amend the definition of “infrastructure” described above to include port infrastructure for offshore wind energy development, and would require the 5-year infrastructure plan to include, beginning in the 2027–28 fiscal year, and contingent upon an appropriation for this purpose, an assessment of funding needs for port infrastructure for offshore wind energy development, as specified. The bill would require the Governor, in consultation with specified entities, to assess federal, state, and local funding opportunities, including general obligation bonds and funding from the private sector, that can help build port infrastructure for offshore wind energy development.	4/8/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB472">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB472</a>	

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A.B.545: Vehicles: electric bicycles.	<p>Existing law defines an electric bicycle and classifies electric bicycles into 3 classes with different restrictions. Under existing law, a “class 1 electric bicycle” is a bicycle equipped with a motor that, among other things, provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling and ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of 20 miles per hour. Under existing law, a “class 2 electric bicycle” is a bicycle equipped with a motor that may be used exclusively to propel the bicycle and is not capable of providing assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of 20 miles per hour. Under existing law, a “class 3 electric bicycle” is a bicycle equipped with a speedometer and a motor that, in pertinent part, provides assistance only when the rider is pedaling, and that ceases to provide assistance when the bicycle reaches the speed of 28 miles per hour. Existing law prohibits a person from selling a product or device that can modify the speed capability of an electric bicycle so that it no longer meets the definition of an electric bicycle. A violation of the Vehicle Code is an infraction.</p> <p>This bill would also prohibit a person from selling an application that can modify the speed capability of an electric bicycle. By creating a new prohibition with respect to the modification of an electric bicycle, the violation of which is an infraction, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	4/8/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (April 7). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB545">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB545</a>	

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A.B.544: Electric bicycles: required equipment.	<p>(1)Existing law requires a bicycle operated during darkness on a highway, sidewalk, or bikeway to be equipped with, among other things, a red reflector or a solid or flashing red light with a built-in reflector on the rear that is visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful upper beams of headlamps on a motor vehicle. Existing law defines "bicycle" for these purposes to, among other things, include an electric bicycle. Existing law defines an electric bicycle as a bicycle equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor that does not exceed 750 watts of power and categorizes electric bicycles into 3 classes. A violation of the provisions relating to the requirements for equipping a bicycle or an electric bicycle is punishable as an infraction.</p> <p>This bill would require an electric bicycle during all hours to be equipped with a red reflector or a solid or flashing red light with a built-in reflector on the rear that is visible from a distance of 500 feet to the rear when directly in front of lawful upper beams of headlamps on a motor vehicle. By expanding the requirements for equipping an electric bicycle, the violation of which would be a crime, this bill would expand an existing crime, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>(2)Existing law requires a minor to wear a properly fitted and fastened helmet when engaged in specified activities, including operating a bicycle, nonmotorized scooter, or skateboard or wearing in-line or roller skates and requires that the helmet meet the standards of the American Society for Testing and Materials or the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission. Existing law prohibits a record of a violation of those provisions from being transmitted to the court and prohibits the imposition of a fee if the parent or guardian of the minor delivers proof that the minor has a helmet that meets specific standards and has completed a bicycle safety course, as specified. Existing law makes a violation of these provisions an infraction punishable by a fine of not more than \$25, except as specified.</p> <p>This bill would, for a violation of these provisions involving an electric bicycle, prohibit a record of a violation from being transmitted to the court and the imposition of a fee if the parent or guardian of the minor delivers proof that the minor has a helmet that meets the specified safety standards and has completed a specialized electric bicycle safety course. The bill would also specify that the specialized electric bicycle safety course developed by the Department of the California Highway Patrol satisfies</p>	4/8/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (April 7). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB544">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB544</a>	

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S.B.359: Use Fuel Tax Law: Diesel Fuel Tax Law: exempt bus operation.	<p>The Use Fuel Tax Law imposes a state excise tax at specified rates, generally \$0.18 per gallon, on the use of fuel, as defined, and establishes various exemptions from those taxes, including an exemption for any transit district, transit authority, or city owning and operating a local transit system, as provided.</p> <p>This bill would additionally apply this exemption to a county that owns and operates a local transit system, as provided.</p> <p>The Diesel Fuel Tax Law imposes taxes at a specified rate with respect to the distribution or delivery of each gallon of diesel fuel, and establishes various exemptions from those taxes, including an exemption for an exempt bus operation that consists of, among other things, a transit district, transit authority, or city owning and operating a local transit system, as provided.</p> <p>This bill would additionally apply this exemption to a county that owns and operates a local transit system, as provided.</p> <p>This bill would take effect immediately as a tax levy, but its operative date would depend on its effective date.</p>	4/8/2025	From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Revenue and Taxation.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B359">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B359</a>	

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A.B.854: California Environmental Quality Act: exemptions.	<p>The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report on a project that the lead agency proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment.</p> <p>This bill would exempt from CEQA projects that consist of the inspection, maintenance, repair, restoration, reconditioning, reconductoring with advanced conductors, replacement, or removal of a transmission wire or cable used to conduct electricity or other piece of equipment that directly attached to the wire or cable and that meet certain requirements. If a lead agency determines that a project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to the above provision, the bill would require the lead agency to file a notice of exemption with the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation and the county clerk in each county in which the project is located, as provided. By increasing the duties of a lead agency, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Endangered Species Act prohibits the taking of an endangered, threatened, or candidate species unless the person has obtained an incidental take permit from the Department of Fish and Wildlife.</p> <p>Existing law prohibits an entity from substantially diverting or obstructing the natural flow of, or substantially changing or using any material from the bed, channel, or bank of, a river, stream, or lake, or deposit or dispose of debris, waste, or other materials where it may pass into a river, stream, or lake unless the Department of Fish and Wildlife receives written notification of the activity and the entity has entered into a lake or stream agreement with the Department of Fish and Wildlife.</p> <p>The Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act requires a California regional water quality control board to prescribe waste discharge requirements for the discharge of pollutants into state waters and authorizes the regional board to prescribe general waste discharge requirements for a category of discharges if the regional board finds or determines that certain criteria apply to the discharges in that category.</p>	4/8/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB854">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB854</a>	

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S.B.480: Autonomous vehicles.	Existing law authorizes the operation of an autonomous vehicle on public roads for testing purposes by a driver who possesses the proper class of license for the type of vehicle operated if specified requirements are satisfied. Existing law prohibits the operation of an autonomous vehicle on public roads until the manufacturer submits an application to the Department of Motor Vehicles, as specified, and that application is approved. Existing law requires the department to adopt regulations setting forth requirements for the submission and approval of an application, including, among other things, any testing, equipment, and performance standards the department concludes are necessary to ensure the safe operation of autonomous vehicles on public roads, as specified. This bill would, commencing January 1, 2026, authorize an autonomous vehicle to be equipped with automated driving system (ADS) marker lamps in accordance with specified standards. For purposes of this provision, the bill would define an “ADS marker lamp” as a device that emits a light to indicate when an ADS is engaged in the operation of the vehicle.	4/8/2025	Read second time. Ordered to third reading.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B480">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B480</a>	
A.B.954: State transportation improvement program: bicycle highway pilot program.	Existing law establishes the state transportation improvement program (STIP) process, pursuant to which the California Transportation Commission programs, on a biennial basis, available state and federal funds for transportation capital improvement projects, other than state highway rehabilitation and repair projects, for the 5-year period of the STIP, based on the interregional transportation improvement program (ITIP) prepared by the Department of Transportation and the regional transportation improvement programs (RTIP) prepared by regional transportation planning agencies. This bill would require the department to prepare a proposal for the development, including the selection, of sites for a pilot program establishing branded networks of bicycle highways that are numbered and signed within 2 of California’s major metropolitan areas. The bill would require the department, on or before January 1, 2030, to include the proposal in the draft ITIP and would require the department to perform all other actions necessary for the pilot program to be programmed in the STIP, as specified. The bill would require the department, on or before July 1, 2031, to report to the relevant policy committees of the Legislature on the status of the pilot program and recommendations for the development of additional networks of bicycle highways.	4/8/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations (Ayes 12. Noes 4.) (April 7). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB954">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB954</a>	

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A.B.1299: Parking violations.	<p>Existing law requires a specified administrative hearing process in the enforcement and processing of parking violations and penalties, and requires the issuing agency to conduct an initial administrative review of the notice of parking violation at the request of the contestant to whom the notice was mailed. Existing law authorizes an examiner conducting the hearing or the issuing agency to allow payment of the parking penalty in installments, and authorizes the issuing agency to defer payment if the contestant provides satisfactory evidence to the examiner or the issuing agency, as the case may be, of the inability to pay the parking penalty in full.</p> <p>This bill would authorize the issuing agency to reduce or waive the parking penalty if the contestant provides satisfactory evidence of either an inability to pay the parking penalty in full or any other extenuating circumstances relevant to payment of the parking penalty, including, but not limited to, documented homelessness status and financial hardship.</p> <p>Existing law authorizes a parking citation processing agency, as defined, to collect an unpaid parking penalty by requesting the Department of Motor Vehicles to place a registration hold on the vehicle to which the citations have been issued, or by obtaining a civil judgment against the registered owner of the vehicle, as specified.</p> <p>Existing law requires a processing agency to offer a payment plan for unpaid parking citations to qualified indigent persons. Existing law requires the payment plan to meet specified conditions, including, among others, that a person is allowed a period of 120 calendar days from the issuance of a notice of parking violation or 10 days after the administrative hearing determination, whichever is later, to file a request to participate in a payment plan.</p> <p>This bill would allow the person to file a request to participate in a payment plan at any time.</p>	4/8/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (April 7). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1299">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1299</a>	

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S.B.769: The Golden State Infrastructure Corporation Act.	<p>Existing law, the Bergeson-Peace Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank Act, authorizes the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank, governed by a board of directors, to make loans, issue bonds, and provide other financial assistance for various types of infrastructure and economic development projects. Existing law establishes the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank Fund, a continuously appropriated fund, to support the bank.</p> <p>This bill would enact the Golden State Infrastructure Corporation Act and would establish the Golden State Infrastructure Corporation, within the State Treasurer’s Office, as a not-for-profit corporation for the purpose of administering the act and financing infrastructure projects. The bill would require the corporation to be governed by a board of directors, with a prescribed membership, and would require the business and affairs of the corporation to be managed by an executive director appointed by the Treasurer.</p> <p>This bill would prescribe the powers and duties of the corporation, including entering into financing transactions, borrowing money or issuing bonds, and setting and charging fees for obtaining financing from the corporation. Under the bill, the state would not in any way be liable for any obligation of the corporation, and the corporation would not be required to pay any taxes. The bill would require the corporation, not later than January 1 of each year, to submit to the Governor, the Legislature, and the Legislative Analyst’s Office a report for the preceding fiscal year containing information on the infrastructure corporation fund and the corporation’s activities, including specified information.</p> <p>This bill would authorize the corporation to extend financing to either an infrastructure company, a governmental entity, or a combination of those entities, as provided, if the board determines that the financing meets specified criteria. The bill would authorize the corporation, upon board approval, to issue revenue bonds, in a principal amount that the board determines to be necessary, convenient, or desirable to provide moneys for the corporation’s purposes, which may include, among others, to provide financing to one or more governmental entities or infrastructure companies for infrastructure projects, as provided. The bill would prescribe requirements for issuing the bonds.</p> <p>The bill would require the board to approve operational policies prior to providing financing for any infrastructure project. The bill would exempt from disclosure under the California Public Records Act specified</p>	4/8/2025	Set for hearing April 29 in Committee on Judiciary pending receipt.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B769">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B769</a>	

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S.B.833: Critical infrastructure: automated decision systems: human oversight.	Existing law, the California Emergency Services Act, establishes the California Cybersecurity Integration Center within the Office of Emergency Services to serve as the central organizing hub of state government’s cybersecurity activities and to coordinate information sharing with various entities. Existing law also requires the Technology Recovery Plan element of the State Administrative Manual to ensure the inclusion of cybersecurity strategy incident response standards for each state agency to secure its critical infrastructure controls and information, as prescribed. This bill would require an operator, defined as a state agency in charge of critical infrastructure, that deploys artificial intelligence to establish a human oversight mechanism to monitor the system’s operations in real time and review and approve any plan or action proposed by the artificial intelligence system before execution, except as provided. The bill would require the Department of Technology to administer specialized training in artificial intelligence safety protocols and risk management techniques to oversight personnel. The bill would require an operator to conduct an annual assessment of its artificial intelligence systems and automated decision systems, as specified, and to submit a summary of the findings to the department.	4/8/2025	Set for hearing April 22.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B833">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B833</a>	

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A.B.1243: Polluters Pay Climate Superfund Act of 2025.	<p>The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, until January 1, 2031, authorizes the State Air Resources Board to adopt a regulation establishing a system of market-based declining aggregate emissions limits for sources or categories of sources that emit greenhouse gases (market-based compliance mechanism) that meets certain requirements. Existing law establishes the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board from the auction or sales of allowances as a part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited into the fund and requires the Legislature to appropriate moneys in the fund for the purpose of reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the state, as provided.</p> <p>Existing law, the California Climate Crisis Act, declares that it is the policy of the state both to achieve net-zero greenhouse gas emissions as soon as possible, but no later than 2045, and achieve and maintain net-negative greenhouse gas emissions thereafter, and to ensure that by 2045, statewide anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 85% below the 1990 levels.</p> <p>This bill would enact the Polluters Pay Climate Superfund Act of 2025 and would establish the Polluters Pay Climate Superfund Program to be administered by the California Environmental Protection Agency to require fossil fuel polluters to pay their fair share of the damage caused by greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere during the covered period, which the bill would define as the time period between the 1990 and 2024 calendar years, inclusive, resulting from the extraction, production, refining, sale, or combustion of fossil fuels or petroleum products, to relieve a portion of the burden to address cost borne by current and future California taxpayers. The bill would</p> <p>require the agency, within 90 days of the effective date of the act, to determine and publish a list of responsible parties, which the bill would define as an entity with a majority ownership interest in a business engaged in extracting or refining fossil fuels that, during the covered period, did business in the state or otherwise had sufficient contact with the state, and is determined by the agency to be responsible for more than 1,000,000,000 metric tons of covered fossil fuel emissions, as defined, in aggregate globally, during the covered period.</p> <p>This bill would require the agency, within one year of the effective date of the act, to conduct and complete a climate cost study to, among other things, quantify the total damage amount, which the bill would define as all past and future climate harms and damages to the state from January 1, 1990, through December 31, 2045, inclusive. The bill would require the agency to update the climate cost study, not less</p>	4/8/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1243">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1243</a>	

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A.B.1237: Counties of Los Angeles and Santa Clara: sporting events: ticket charge: public transit.	<p>Existing law creates the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) with various powers and duties relative to transportation projects and services in the County of Santa Clara.</p> <p>This bill would authorize VTA to impose a charge of up to \$5 on the purchaser of a ticket from a ticket vendor to a sporting event in the County of Santa Clara held as part of the 2026 FIFA World Cup or the 2026 NCAA Men's or Women's Basketball Championship, as specified. The bill would require VTA to use any revenues collected from the charge to support its transit operations. The bill would require VTA, if it imposes the charge, to allow any person to use its transit services at no charge on the day of one of those sporting events if the person presents a ticket to that sporting event at the location where VTA collects fares for transit services. The bill would require VTA, if it imposes the charge, to prepare and submit a report to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2027, that includes specified information regarding implementation of the bill.</p> <p>Existing law creates the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LA Metro) with specified powers and duties relative to transportation planning, programming, and operations in the County of Los Angeles.</p> <p>This bill would authorize LA Metro to impose a charge of up to \$5 on the purchaser of a ticket from a ticket vendor to a sporting event in the County of Los Angeles held as part of the 2026 FIFA World Cup, as specified. The bill would require LA Metro to use any revenues collected from the charge to support its transit operations. The bill would require LA Metro, if it imposes the charge, to allow any person to use its transit services at no charge on the day a match is held as part of the 2026 FIFA World Cup if the person presents a ticket to the match at the location where LA Metro collects fares for transit services. The bill would require LA Metro, if it imposes the charge, to prepare and submit a report to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2027, that includes specified information regarding implementation of the bill.</p>	4/8/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to A.,E.,S., & T. (Ayes 12. Noes 3.) (April 7). Re-referred to A.,E.,S., & T.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1237">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1237</a>	Sponsor

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S.B.707: Open meetings: meeting and teleconference requirements.	<p>(1)Existing law, the Ralph M. Brown Act, requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body, as defined, of a local agency be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate.</p> <p>This bill would, until January 1, 2030, require a city council or a county board of supervisors to comply with additional meeting requirements, including that all open and public meetings include an opportunity for members of the public to attend via a 2-way telephonic service or a 2-way audiovisual platform, as defined, that a system is in place for requesting and receiving interpretation services for public meetings, as specified, and that the city council or county board of supervisors encourage residents to participate in public meetings, as specified.</p> <p>(2)Existing law defines “legislative body” for these purposes to mean, among other things, a commission, committee, board, or other body of a local agency, whether permanent or temporary, decisionmaking or advisory, created by charter, ordinance, resolution, or formal action of a legislative body. Existing law specifies that “legislative body” does not include advisory committees, composed solely of the members of the legislative body that are less than a quorum of the legislative body, except for specified standing committees of a legislative bodies.</p> <p>This bill would revise and recast the above-described definition of a legislative body and would specify that bodies with certain subject matter jurisdiction, including elections, and advisory committees with a continuing subject matter jurisdiction or a fixed meeting schedule, as specified, are legislative bodies.</p> <p>Existing law prohibits a majority of the members of a legislative body, outside a meeting authorized by the act, from using a series of communications of any kind to discuss, deliberate, or take action on any item of business that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body. Existing law defines “meetings” for these purposes to mean any congregation of a majority of the members of a legislative body at the same time and location, as specified, to hear, discuss, deliberate, or take action on any item that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body. Until January 1, 2026, existing law excepts from the prohibition a member engaging in separate conversations or communications outside of a meeting with any other person using an internet-based social media platform for specified purposes,</p>	4/8/2025	Set for hearing April 22.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB707">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB707</a>	

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S.B.787: Energy: equitable clean energy supply chains and industrial policy in California.	<p>Existing law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to adopt, on a biennial basis, an integrated energy policy report that contains an overview of major energy trends and issues facing the state, including supply, demand, pricing, reliability, efficiency, and impacts on public health and safety, the economy, resources, and the environment. Existing law requires the report to present policy recommendations based on an in-depth and integrated analysis of the most current and pressing energy issues facing the state.</p> <p>This bill would require the commission, on or before March 1, 2026, to designate a person, within the commission, to serve as the Senior Counselor on Industrial Policy and Clean Energy Development and would specify the senior counselor's duties.</p> <p>The bill would require the Senior Counselor on Industrial Policy and Clean Energy Development to convene working groups that focus on certain issues, as provided. The bill would require the commission, the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, the Secretary of Labor, the Public Utilities Commission, the Department of Water Resources, the Department of General Services, and the office of the Treasurer, on or before March 1, 2026, to enter into an a memorandum of understanding on equitable clean energy supply chains and industrial policy in California to, among other things, review, investigate, and develop strategies for building integrated industrial bases in California to support the zero-emission vehicle and battery supply chain industries, offshore wind and offshore wind component industries, and building decarbonization and heat pump industries through industrial planning and public investment, procurement, and subsidization, as provided. The bill would require the Senior Counselor on Industrial Policy and Clean Energy Development to track and coordinate the work taken under the memorandum of understanding and to prepare an annual report summarizing the key findings and recommendations resulting from that work. The bill would require that the report be presented at a public meeting of the commission and be published on the commission's internet website. The bill would establish in the State Treasury the Equitable Clean Energy Supply Chain and Industrial Policy Fund and would, upon appropriation by the Legislature, authorize the moneys in the fund be expended for the purposes of the bill.</p>	4/8/2025	From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to E., U & C.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B787">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B787</a>	

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S.B.782: Enhanced infrastructure financing district: climate resilience districts.	<p>Existing law authorizes the legislative body of a city or a county to designate a proposed enhanced infrastructure financing district to finance public capital facilities or other specified projects, with a governing body referred to as the public financing authority, by adopting a resolution of intention to establish the proposed district.</p> <p>Existing law authorizes a city, county, city and county, special district, or a combination of any of those entities to form a climate resilience district, as described, for the purposes of raising and allocating funding for eligible projects and the operating expenses of eligible projects. Existing law deems each district to be an enhanced infrastructure financing district and requires each district to comply with existing law concerning enhanced infrastructure financing districts, except as specified. Existing law requires a district to finance only specified projects that meet the definition of an eligible project, including projects that address sea level rise, extreme heat, extreme cold, the risk of wildfire, drought, and the risk of flooding, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would authorize a city or county to adopt a resolution providing for the division of taxes of any participating entity without following specified procedures for the preparation and adoption of an infrastructure financing plan, if certain conditions are met. The bill would require the district to hold a public meeting to consider the resolution of intention to establish the district and a second public meeting to consider the adoption of the infrastructure financing plan, and would require the district to post specified notices prior to the meetings. The bill would require the resolution to include specified information, including that incremental property tax revenue from the city or county and all affected taxing entities within the district may be used to finance the district's activities. The bill would require the district to make the infrastructure financing plan available for public inspection at least 10 days before the hearing to approve the formation of the district, and would require the designated official of the district to consult with each affected taxing entity prior to development of the infrastructure financing plan.</p> <p>This bill would limit the use of the district's revenue to repairing or replacing buildings, low- and moderate-income housing, facilities, structures, or other improvements within the district, that have been damaged or destroyed by a disaster, as defined, or addressing the risk of a future disaster. The bill would define disaster for these purposes to mean any flood, fire, hurricane, earthquake, storm, tidal wave, or other catastrophe for which the Governor has certified the need for assistance and which the President of the United States has determined to be a major disaster, as specified.</p>	4/8/2025	Set for hearing May 7.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB782">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB782</a>	

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A.B.1410: Public utilities: service outages and updates: alerts.	<p>Existing law vests the Public Utilities Commission with regulatory authority over public utilities. If the commission finds after a hearing that the rules, practices, equipment, appliances, facilities, or service of any public utility, or the methods of manufacture, distribution, transmission, storage, or supply employed by the public utility, are unjust, unreasonable, unsafe, improper, inadequate, or insufficient, the Public Utilities Act requires the commission to determine and, by order or rule, fix the rules, practices, equipment, appliances, facilities, service, or methods to be observed, furnished, constructed, enforced, or employed.</p> <p>This bill would require each public utility to automatically enroll customers in alerts for service outages and updates. The bill would require customers to be provided with the opportunity to opt-out of any alerts they do not wish to receive, except as provided. The bill would require each public utility to provide information on customers' bills on how to update their preferred contact methods and to allow customers to update their contact information by email or telephone.</p> <p>Under existing law, a violation of the Public Utilities Act or any order, decision, rule, direction, demand, or requirement of the commission is a crime.</p> <p>Because the provisions of this bill would be a part of the act and because a violation of a commission action implementing the bill's requirements would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	4/8/2025	Re-referred to U. & E.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1410">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1410</a>	

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A.B.238: Mortgage forbearance: state of emergency: wildfire.	<p>Existing law requires a mortgage servicer to comply with applicable federal guidance regarding borrower options following a forbearance relating to the COVID-19 emergency.</p> <p>This bill would authorize a borrower who is experiencing financial hardship that prevents the borrower from making timely payments on a specified residential mortgage loan due directly to the wildfire disaster described in the proclamation of a state of emergency issued by Governor Gavin Newsom on January 7, 2025, or the federally declared disaster, declared on January 8, 2025, related to the Eaton Wildfire, the Palisades Fire, and the Straight-line Winds, to request forbearance on their residential mortgage loan, as prescribed. The bill would limit eligibility for that forbearance to loans that are secured by residential real property improved by 4 or fewer residential units.</p> <p>The bill would require the borrower to affirm that they are experiencing a financial hardship due to the wildfire disaster. Because the bill would expand the crime of perjury, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>This bill would, except as specified, require a mortgage servicer to offer mortgage payment forbearance of a period of up to an initial 90 days, which shall be extended at the request of the borrower in 90-day increments, up to a maximum forbearance period of 12 months. The bill would also prohibit a mortgage servicer from assessing any late fees to the borrower's account or charging a default rate of interest during the forbearance period. The bill would provide that the forbearance period includes any period of forbearance related to the wildfire disaster that a mortgage servicer has provided to a borrower before the effective date of these provisions. The bill would require a mortgage servicer to report the credit obligations of</p> <p>borrowers under a disaster-related forbearance plan in compliance with the federal Fair Credit Reporting Act and applicable federal guidelines and suspend reporting delinquencies to consumer reporting agencies for accounts granted disaster-related mortgage payment relief that were current when the borrower entered forbearance, and are otherwise performing as agreed. The bill would prohibit a mortgage servicer from initiating any judicial or nonjudicial foreclosure process, moving for a foreclosure judgment or order of sale, or executing a foreclosure-related eviction or foreclosure during the period of forbearance.</p> <p>This bill would require the Department of Financial Protection and Innovation to post specified information on its</p>	4/7/2025	In Senate. Read first time. To Committee on Rules for assignment.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB238">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB238</a>	

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A.C.A.4: Homelessness and affordable housing.	<p>The California Constitution authorizes the development, construction, or acquisition of developments composed of urban or rural dwellings, apartments, or other living accommodations for persons of low income financed in whole or in part by the federal government or a state public body, or to which the federal government or a state public body extends assistance, if a majority of the qualified electors of the city, town, or county in which the housing is proposed to be located approves the project by voting in favor thereof, as specified.</p> <p>This measure, the Housing Opportunities for Everyone (HOPE) Act, would create an account in the General Fund into which, beginning in the 2027–28 fiscal year, and each fiscal year thereafter until September 30, 2036, a sum would be transferred from the General Fund equal to or greater than 5% of the estimated amount of General Fund revenues for that fiscal year, as specified. The measure would require the moneys in the account to be appropriated by the Legislature to the Business, Consumer Services, and Housing Agency, and would authorize that agency to expend the moneys to fund prescribed matters related to homelessness and affordable housing, including housing and services to prevent and end homelessness.</p> <p>This measure would require the agency to develop a 10-year investment strategy, with input from stakeholders, that demonstrates how moneys in the account will be used to produce affordable housing and end homelessness through specific performance measures and benchmarks. On or before October 1 of each year, and until October 1, 2036, the measure would require the agency to annually report to the Legislature on its progress in meeting those performance measures and benchmarks.</p>	4/7/2025	Referred to Coms. on Committee on Housing and Community Development and HUM. S.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260ACA4">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260ACA4</a>	

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S.B.332: Investor-Owned Utilities Accountability Act.	<p>(1)Existing law vests the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission) with various responsibilities for developing and implementing the state’s energy policies. This bill would require the Energy Commission, in coordination with the public advisor and the Public Utilities Commission (PUC), on or before March 31, 2026, to issue a request for proposals for a team to develop a study. The bill would require the study to (1) conduct a historical energy justice assessment of the investor-owned utility’s (IOU) operations and impacts, (2) complete a comparative analysis of the benefits and challenges of transitioning the IOUs to a successor entity in order to identify a recommended model, and, (3) if the study finds that it is in the best long-term interests of the people and ecologies of California to transition away from an investor-owned utility model, create a justice-centered implementation plan for managing the transition. The bill would require the Energy Commission, on or before June 30, 2026, to select the study team that is awarded the contract. The bill would require the Energy Commission to hold a public proceeding and submit a report of the study team’s findings and recommendations to the Legislature no later than 24 months after selecting the study team for the feasibility portion of the study, and no later than 36 months after selecting the study team for the implementation plan portion of the study, as specified. This bill would require the Energy Commission to require the study team to select and convene an advisory council by December 31, 2026, to participate in the study of the vision for a new energy system, as provided. Upon completion of the first 2 study components, the bill would require the study team, in consultation with the advisory council, to provide a recommendation for a particular successor entity type to the Energy Commission, as provided. The bill would require the Energy Commission to vote to approve the study and recommended successor entity on or before September 30, 2028. Upon approval by the Energy Commission, the bill would require the study team to begin work to create a justice-centered implementation plan. The bill would require the Energy Commission to vote to approve the implementation plan no later than October 31, 2029.</p> <p>(2)Existing law vests the PUC with regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations and gas corporations, while local publicly owned utilities are under the direction of their governing boards. Existing law prohibits an electrical corporation, gas corporation, or water corporation from terminating a customer’s residential service for nonpayment of a delinquent account in certain circumstances, including, among other circumstances, unless the corporation first gives notice to the customer of the</p>	4/7/2025	From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to E., U & C.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B332">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B332</a>	

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A.B.1070: Transit districts: governing boards: compensation: nonvoting members.	<p>Existing law provides for the formation of various transit districts and specifies the duties and powers of their governing boards. Existing law authorizes a transit district to compensate a member of the governing board for attending a board meeting and for engaging in other district business, as provided.</p> <p>This bill would prohibit a transit district from compensating a member of the governing board unless the member demonstrates personal use of the transit system, as specified. The bill would require the governing board of a transit district to include 2 nonvoting members and 4 alternate nonvoting members, as specified. The bill would require nonvoting members and alternate nonvoting members to have certain rights and protections, including the right to attend and participate in all public meetings of the governing board, except as specified. The bill would require the chair of the governing board of a transit district to exclude these nonvoting members from meetings discussing, among other things, negotiations with labor organizations. By expanding the duties of transit districts, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.</p>	4/7/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Local Government	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1070">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1070</a>	Oppose

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A.B.1486: Climate resiliency: research farms: grant program.	<p>The Safe Drinking Water, Wildfire Prevention, Drought Preparedness, and Clean Air Bond Act of 2024, approved by the voters as Proposition 4 at the November 5, 2024, statewide general election, authorized the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$10,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance projects for safe drinking water, drought, flood, and water resilience, wildfire and forest resilience, coastal resilience, extreme heat mitigation, biodiversity and nature-based climate solutions, climate-smart, sustainable, and resilient farms, ranches, and working lands, park creation and outdoor access, and clean air programs. Of these funds, the act makes \$300,000,000 available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for improving climate resilience and sustainability of agricultural lands, including, among other things, by making \$15,000,000 available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the State Department of Education, in consultation with the Department of Food and Agriculture, for purposes of providing grants to public postsecondary educational institutions that are designated as Agricultural Experiment Stations or Agricultural Research Institutes, to develop research farms to improve climate resiliency, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would, upon an appropriation by the Legislature for this purpose, require the State Department of Education, in consultation with the Department of Food and Agriculture, on or before July 1, 2026, to establish a grant program to provide grants to public postsecondary educational institutions that are designated as Agricultural Experiment Stations or Agricultural Research Institutes to develop or expand research farms to improve climate resiliency, in accordance with the above-described provisions.</p>	4/7/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1486">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1486</a>	
S.B.10: Otay Mesa East Toll Facility Act: toll revenues.	<p>The Otay Mesa East Toll Facility Act authorizes the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) to carry out a construction project for the State Highway Route 11 corridor, including, among other things, highway improvements and international border crossing facilities, to be operated as a toll facility. Existing law authorizes SANDAG to fix and revise from time to time and charge and collect tolls and other charges for entrance to or the use of the corridor, as provided. Existing law authorizes toll revenues to be used for specified costs, including, among other things, payments of a cooperative tolling agreement with the federal government of Mexico.</p> <p>This bill would, consistent with applicable federal and state laws, authorize those toll revenues to additionally be used to assist in the maintenance of the South Bay International Boundary and Water Commission sewage treatment facility and the development of additional sanitation infrastructure projects related to the Tijuana River pursuant to an agreement with the federal government. The bill would require the repayment of bond obligations to take priority over other allocations of toll revenues.</p> <p>This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the South Bay International Boundary and Water Commission sewage treatment facility located within the County of San Diego.</p>	4/4/2025	Set for hearing April 21.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB10">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB10</a>	

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S.B.240: San Diego Association of Governments: board of directors: County of San Diego.	<p>The San Diego Regional Transportation Consolidation Act establishes a 21-member board of directors to govern the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG). The act requires 2 supervisors from the San Diego County Board of Supervisors to serve on the SANDAG board of directors. The act refers to these directors as primary and secondary representatives. The act requires one of these directors to be from a district that is substantially an incorporated area and the other to be from a district that is substantially an unincorporated area.</p> <p>This bill would replace the secondary representative from the San Diego County Board of Supervisors on the SANDAG board of directors with a resident of an unincorporated area of the County of San Diego that is selected by, and subject to recall by, a majority of the community planning groups in the County of San Diego. The bill would provide for an alternative to serve on the SANDAG board of directors if the secondary representative is not available. The bill would eliminate the requirement that one of the San Diego County Board of Supervisors on the SANDAG board of directors be from a district that is substantially an incorporated area and the other to be from a district that is substantially an unincorporated area. To the extent the bill would impose additional duties on local agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.</p>	4/4/2025	Set for hearing April 23.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B240">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B240</a>	

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S.B.285: Net zero greenhouse gas emissions goal: carbon dioxide removal: regulations.	<p>The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 establishes the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases. The act requires the state board to approve a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide greenhouse gas emissions level in 1990 to be achieved by 2020 and to ensure that statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 40% below the 1990 level by 2030. The act requires the state board to prepare and approve a scoping plan for achieving the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and to update the scoping plan at least once every 5 years. Existing law requires the state board, as part of its scoping plan, to establish specified carbon dioxide removal targets for 2030 and beyond.</p> <p>Existing law, the California Climate Crisis Act, declares the policy of the state both to achieve net zero greenhouse gas emissions as soon as possible, but no later than 2045, and achieve and maintain net negative greenhouse gas emissions thereafter, and to ensure that by 2045, statewide anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 85% below the 1990 levels.</p> <p>This bill would, for the purpose of meeting, or tracking progress against, any state requirement to achieve net zero emissions of greenhouse gases, authorize only qualified carbon dioxide removal, as defined, to be used to counterbalance the state's or an entity's greenhouse gas emissions and would require qualified carbon dioxide removal used for those purposes to meet certain requirements, as specified.</p> <p>Existing law requires the state board to establish a Carbon Capture, Removal, Utilization, and Storage Program to, among other things, evaluate the efficacy, safety, and viability of carbon capture, utilization, or storage technologies and carbon dioxide removal technologies and facilitate the capture and sequestration of carbon dioxide from those technologies, where appropriate. In furtherance of the objectives of that program, existing law authorizes the state board, by January 1, 2024, to adopt protocols to support additional methods of utilization or storage of captured carbon dioxide.</p> <p>This bill would indefinitely authorize the state board to adopt those protocols, and protocols to support methods of utilization or storage of removed carbon dioxide.</p>	4/4/2025	Set for hearing April 21.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B285">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B285</a>	

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S.B.299: Local government: ordinances.	<p>Existing law prohibits a county or city from passing an ordinance within five days of introduction and requires the ordinance to be passed at a regular meeting or at an adjourned regular meeting, except that existing law authorizes an urgency ordinance to be passed immediately upon introduction at a regular or special meeting. Existing law requires all ordinances to be read in full at the time of introduction or passage, as specified. Existing law requires nonurgency ordinances that are altered after introduction to be passed at a regular or at an adjourned regular meeting at least five days after alteration, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would instead prohibit a county or city from passing an ordinance within five days of publication, as specified, except that the bill would authorize an urgency ordinance to be passed immediately upon introduction. The bill would remove the other procedures described above.</p> <p>The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of, an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA does not apply to the approval of ministerial projects.</p> <p>Existing law requires a county or city ordinance to be consistent with the general plan of the county or city, as specified. Existing law requires a zoning ordinance to be amended within a reasonable time in the event that the ordinance becomes inconsistent with the general plan by reason of amendment to the general plan, or to any element of the plan, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would authorize a county or city to deem that the adoption or amendment of a zoning ordinance or related zoning standard to comply with an amended general plan, or amended element of the plan, is subject to a streamlined, ministerial approval process. By establishing a streamlined, ministerial approval process for certain housing developments, this bill would expand the exemption for the ministerial approval of projects under CEQA.</p>	4/4/2025	Set for hearing April 23.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B299">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B299</a>	

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S.B.340: General plans: housing element: emergency shelter.	<p>Existing law requires a city or county to prepare and adopt a general plan for its jurisdiction that contains certain mandatory elements, including a housing element. Existing law requires the housing element to identify adequate sites for housing, including rental housing, factory-built housing, mobilehomes, and emergency shelters, among other things. Existing law requires the housing element to contain an assessment of housing needs and an inventory of resources and constraints relevant to the meeting of these needs, including by identifying one or more zoning designations that allow residential uses, including mixed uses, where emergency shelters are allowed as a permitted use without a conditional use or other discretionary permit and that are suitable for residential uses. Existing law requires an emergency shelter to include other interim interventions, including, but not limited to, a navigation center, bridge housing, and respite or recuperative care.</p> <p>This bill would additionally require an emergency shelter to include all services provided onsite, including the addition or expansion of services that are consistent with certain written, objective standards. By imposing a higher level of service on cities and counties in preparing and adopting a general plan, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>Existing law requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to administer the Emergency Housing and Assistance Program. Under the program, moneys from the continuously appropriated Emergency Housing and Assistance Fund are available for the purposes of providing shelter, as specified, to homeless persons at as low of a cost and as quickly as possible, without compromising the health and safety of shelter occupants, to encourage the move of homeless persons from shelters to a self-supporting environment as soon as possible, to encourage provision of services for as many persons at risk of homelessness as possible, to encourage compatible and effective funding of homeless services, and to encourage coordination among public agencies that fund or provide services to homeless individuals, as well as agencies that discharge people from their institutions. Existing law defines "emergency shelter" to mean, in part, housing with minimal supportive services for homeless persons that is limited to occupancy of 6 months or less by a homeless person.</p> <p>This bill would modify that definition to mean housing with supportive services for homeless persons that is limited to occupancy of 6 months or less by a homeless person.</p>	4/4/2025	Set for hearing April 21.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B340">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B340</a>	

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S.B.559: Electricity: deenergization events: communications.	<p>Existing law requires each electrical corporation to annually prepare a wildfire mitigation plan and to submit the plan to the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety for review and approval, as specified. Existing law requires a wildfire mitigation plan of an electrical corporation to include, among other things, protocols for deenergizing portions of the electrical distribution system that consider the associated impacts on public safety, and protocols related to mitigating the public safety impacts of those protocols, including impacts on critical first responders and on health and communications infrastructure. Existing law requires a wildfire mitigation plan of an electrical corporation to also include appropriate and feasible procedures for notifying a customer who may be impacted by the deenergizing of electrical lines and requires these procedures to consider the need to notify, as a priority, critical first responders, health care facilities, and operators of telecommunications infrastructure with premises within the footprint of a potential deenergization event.</p> <p>This bill would require, consistent with the above-described protocols, an electrical corporation to immediately notify, when possible and at the time a decision to conduct a deenergization event is made, public safety partners about the potential public safety impacts of the deenergization event, as specified. The bill would require detailed status information on restoration efforts to be made available to emergency management organizations, public safety officials, customers, and the public, where feasible, with regular progress updates issued at intervals of no more than 12 hours, for all impacted circuits, as specified. The bill would require, in advance of a deenergization event, an electrical corporation to make a reasonable effort to publish and make available weather conditions observed within the affected circuit being considered for deenergization, as provided. Once hazardous conditions subside, the bill would require an electrical corporation to prioritize the restoration of electricity and begin efforts to reenergize lines without unnecessary delays when safe to do so. The bill would make electrical corporations responsible for the continual monitoring and eventual restoration of circuits affected by a deenergization event. The bill would require each electrical corporation to submit an annual report to the Public Utilities Commission that details its compliance with the transparency and restoration requirements of these provisions, as provided. This bill would require the commission to oversee each electrical corporation's compliance with these provisions to ensure that electrical corporations are meeting the transparency, communication, and restoration</p>	4/4/2025	Set for hearing April 21.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B559">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B559</a>	

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S.B.607: California Environmental Quality Act: categorical exemptions: infill projects.	<p>The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report (EIR) on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment.</p> <p>Existing law defines “negative declaration” and “mitigated negative declaration” for these purposes. This bill would revise the definition of negative declaration to mean a written statement briefly describing the substantial evidence in the record that the proposed project will not have a significant effect on the environment, as specified. The bill would also revise the definition of mitigated negative declaration to mean that revisions would avoid or mitigate the effects on the environment, as determined by the public agency based upon substantial evidence in the record, as specified, and that there is substantial evidence that the project as revised will not have a significant effect on the environment, as provided.</p> <p>CEQA requires the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation to prepare and develop proposed guidelines for the implementation of CEQA by public agencies and requires the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to certify and adopt those proposed guidelines. CEQA requires those adopted guidelines to include a list of classes of projects that have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and exempts those classes of projects from CEQA, commonly known as categorical exemptions. CEQA requires the guidelines to include criteria for public agencies to follow in determining whether or not a proposed project may have a significant effect on the environment, and requires the criteria to require a finding that a project may have a significant effect on the environment if one or more of specified conditions exist.</p> <p>This bill would instead require those criteria to require that finding if the lead agency determines, based upon substantial evidence in the record, that one or more of those specified conditions exist. The bill would, for the approval of a proposed project that would otherwise be exempt from CEQA pursuant to a statutory or categorical exemption but for a single condition, as defined, limit the application of CEQA to the effects upon the</p>	4/4/2025	Set for hearing April 30 in Committee on Local Government pending receipt.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B607">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B607</a>	

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S.B.827: Local agency officials: training.	<p>Existing law imposes ethics training on specified local agency officials. Existing law requires each training to be 2 hours and requires the officials to receive each training every 2 years, and as described otherwise, with the first training within one year of commencing service. Existing law requires the local agency to maintain records of the trainings, as prescribed.</p> <p>This bill would expand which local agency officials are required to complete the above-described ethics training to include any managerial-level employee with responsibility over the agency's finances and would instead require officials who commence service on or after January 1, 2026, to receive their initial training within 6 months of commencing service. The bill would require the local agency to publish the training records on its internet website, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would additionally require, if a local agency provides any type of compensation, salary, or stipend to a member of a legislative body, or provides reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred by a member of a legislative body in the performance of official duties, all local agency officials, as defined, to receive at least 2 hours of ethical, fiscal, and financial training, as described. The bill would require the training to be received at least once every 2 years, as provided. The bill would exempt from these requirements specified local agency officials if they are in compliance with existing education requirements specific to their positions.</p> <p>This bill would authorize a local agency or an association of local agencies to contract with or otherwise collaborate with a provider of a training course to offer one or more training courses, or sets of self-study materials with tests, to its local agency officials to meet the training requirement, as described. The bill would require the training courses and materials to be developed in consultation with experts in local government finance. The bill would require providers of training courses to provide participants with proof of participation for purposes of complying with specified recordkeeping requirements. The bill would require a local agency to provide information on training available at least once annually. By imposing additional duties on local officials, the bill would create a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p>	4/4/2025	Set for hearing April 30.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B827">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B827</a>	

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S.B.819: Geothermal waste: exemption from generation and handling fees: study.	<p>The hazardous waste control laws require the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) to regulate the handling and management of hazardous waste and hazardous materials. A violation of the hazardous waste control laws is a crime.</p> <p>Existing law requires a generator of hazardous waste to pay to the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration a generation and handling fee for each generator site that generates a specified amount of waste, as provided, and authorizes DTSC to adopt regulations necessary to implement generator fees.</p> <p>Existing law exempts geothermal waste resulting from drilling for geothermal resources from the hazardous waste control laws for a specified reason. Existing law also exempts geothermal waste, excluding filter cake, that is generated from the exploration, development, or production of geothermal energy and that does not result from drilling for geothermal resources, from the hazardous waste control laws under specified circumstances.</p> <p>This bill would require the DTSC to prepare and submit to the Legislature, no later than July 1, 2026, a study regarding the issues that would arise if geothermal waste that is not exempt from generation and handling fees pursuant to existing law is made exempt from those fees.</p>	4/4/2025	Set for hearing April 23.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B819">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B819</a>	
S.B.755: California Contractor Climate Transparency Act.	<p>The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. Existing law, the Climate Corporate Data Accountability Act, requires, on or before July 1, 2025, the board to develop and adopt regulations to require a reporting entity to, among other things, annually disclose all of the reporting entity's scope 1 emissions, scope 2 emissions, and scope 3 emissions, as defined. Existing law also requires, on or before January 1, 2026, and biennially thereafter, a covered entity to prepare a climate-related financial risk report disclosing the entity's climate-related financial risk and measures adopted to reduce and adapt to climate-related financial risk.</p> <p>This bill would enact the California Contractor Climate Transparency Act, which would require the board, beginning January 1, 2027, to require a large contractor and a significant contractor, as defined, to report annually specified information, including, for large contractors, an annual disclosure of scope 1 emissions, scope 2 emissions, scope 3 emissions, and climate-related financial risk, as specified, and for significant contractors, an annual disclosure of scope 1 emissions and scope 2 emissions, as specified.</p>	4/4/2025	Set for hearing April 30.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B755">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B755</a>	

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S.B.684: Polluters Pay Climate Superfund Act of 2025.	<p>The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, until January 1, 2031, authorizes the State Air Resources Board to adopt a regulation establishing a system of market-based declining aggregate emissions limits for sources or categories of sources that emit greenhouse gases (market-based compliance mechanism) that meets certain requirements. Existing law establishes the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund and requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board from the auction or sales of allowances as a part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited into the fund and requires the Legislature to appropriate moneys in the fund for the purpose of reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the state, as provided.</p> <p>Existing law, the California Climate Crisis Act, declares that it is the policy of the state both to achieve net-zero greenhouse gas emissions as soon as possible, but no later than 2045, and achieve and maintain net-negative greenhouse gas emissions thereafter, and to ensure that by 2045, statewide anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 85% below the 1990 levels.</p> <p>This bill would enact the Polluters Pay Climate Superfund Act of 2025 and would establish the Polluters Pay Climate Superfund Program to be administered by the California Environmental Protection Agency to require fossil fuel polluters to pay their fair share of the damage caused by greenhouse gases released into the atmosphere during the covered period, which the bill would define as the time period between the 1990 and 2024 calendar years, inclusive, resulting from the extraction, production, refining, sale, or combustion of fossil fuels or petroleum products, to relieve a portion of the burden to address cost borne by current and future California taxpayers. The bill would</p> <p>require the agency, within 90 days of the effective date of the act, to determine and publish a list of responsible parties, which the bill would define as an entity with a majority ownership interest in a business engaged in extracting or refining fossil fuels that, during the covered period, did business in the state or otherwise had sufficient contact with the state, and is determined by the agency to be responsible for more than 1,000,000,000 metric tons of covered fossil fuel emissions, as defined, in aggregate globally, during the covered period.</p> <p>This bill would require the agency, within one year of the effective date of the act, to conduct and complete a climate cost study to, among other things, quantify the total damage amount, which the bill would define as all past and future climate harms and damages to the state from January 1, 1990, through December 31, 2045, inclusive. The bill would require the agency to update the climate cost study, not less</p>	4/4/2025	Set for hearing April 22.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B684">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B684</a>	

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A.B.381: State contracts: certification process: forced labor and human trafficking.	<p>Existing law requires a contract entered into by any state agency for the procurement or laundering of apparel, garments, or corresponding accessories, or the procurement of equipment, materials, or supplies, other than procurement related to a public works contract, to require that a contractor certify that nothing furnished to the state pursuant to the contract has been laundered or produced by certain types of labor, including forced labor, as defined. Existing law makes any person who falsely certifies pursuant to these provisions guilty of a misdemeanor.</p> <p>This bill would revise the above contracting requirements to also require a contractor to certify that the contract complies with specified requirements relating to human trafficking, including certain prohibitions on contractors, contractor employees, subcontractors, subcontractor employees, and their agents. The bill would revise the definition of forced labor to mean knowingly providing or obtaining labor or services of a person by, among other things, threats of serious harm to, or physical restraint against, that person or another person.</p> <p>This bill would require contractors and subcontractors to notify employees of specified prohibited activities and the actions that may be taken against them for violations. The bill would provide that a contractor is ineligible for, and shall not bid on, or submit a proposal for, a contract under these provisions if the contractor has failed to certify its compliance. The bill would also require a contractor to exercise due diligence in ensuring that its subcontractors comply with those requirements, including requiring each subcontractor to sign a certification. By expanding the scope of a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>This bill would require, before a contract or subcontract is awarded, a proposed contractor or proposed subcontractor to provide a certification to the contracting officer or contractor, as applicable, that states the contractor or subcontractor has implemented a compliance plan, as specified, and has conducted due diligence that either (1) to the best of the contractor's or subcontractor's knowledge and belief, certain parties have not engaged in any specified prohibited activities or (2) if the contractor or subcontractor is aware of abuses relating to the specified prohibited activities, then certain parties have taken the appropriate remedial and referral actions.</p> <p>This bill would require a contractor or subcontractor to take specified actions to ensure compliance with the above-described provisions, including requiring the contractor or subcontractor to disclose to the contracting</p>	4/3/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Labor and Employment (Ayes 21. Noes 0.) (April 2). Re-referred to Committee on Labor and Employment	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB381">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB381</a>	

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A.B.1136: California Workforce Development Board: high road training partnerships.	Existing law establishes the California Workforce Development Board as the body responsible for assisting the Governor in the development, oversight, and continuous improvement of California’s workforce investment system and the alignment of the education and workforce investment systems to the needs of the 21st century economy and workforce. Existing law requires the board to assist the Governor in promoting the development of a well-educated and highly skilled 21st century workforce, and the development of a high road economy that offers an educated and skilled workforce with fair compensation and treatment in the workplace. Existing law also requires the board to assist in developing standards, procedures, and criteria for defining, among other things, high road training partners, as specified. Existing law defines “high road training partnership” to mean an initiative or project that models strategies for developing industry-based, worker-focused training partnerships, including labor-management partnerships. Existing law further describes high road training partnerships as operating via regional, industry- or sector-based training partnerships comprised of employers, workers, and their representatives including organized labor, community-based organizations, education, training, and social services providers, and labor market intermediaries, as specified. This bill would expand the description of “high road training partnership” to include operating via a partnership across multiple industry sectors, as defined.	4/3/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations (Ayes 6. Noes 0.) (April 2). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1136">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1136</a>	
A.B.1235: California State University: skilled and trained workforce requirement.	Existing law establishes requirements that apply when a public entity is required by statute or regulation to obtain an enforceable commitment that a bidder, contractor, or other entity will use a skilled and trained workforce to complete a contract or project. Existing law also authorizes a public entity to require that a bidder, contractor, or other entity use a skilled and trained workforce, regardless of whether they are required to do so by statute or regulation. Existing law, the California State University Contract Law, authorizes the Trustees of the California State University to enter into an agreement with a contractor to provide all or significant portions of the design services and construction of a project, chosen by a competitive bidding process that employs selection criteria in addition to cost. Existing law also requires a contractor, when selecting subcontractors under this provision, to competitively bid for those portions of work. This bill would prohibit a contractor from being prequalified for, shortlisted for, or awarded a contract with the Trustees of the California State University, as described above, unless, among other things, the contractor provides an enforceable commitment to the trustees that the contractor and its subcontractors at every tier will use a skilled and trained workforce to perform all work on the project or contract that falls within an apprenticeable occupation in the building and construction trades, as specified.	4/3/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Higher Committee on Education (Ayes 7. Noes 0.) (April 2). Re-referred to Higher Committee on Education	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1235">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1235</a>	

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A.B.1198: Public works: prevailing wages.	<p>Existing law requires that, except as specified, not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages, determined by the Director of Industrial Relations, be paid to workers employed on public works projects. Existing law requires the body awarding a contract for a public work to obtain from the director the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for work of a similar character in the locality in which the public work is to be performed, and the general prevailing rate of per diem wages for holiday and overtime work, for each craft, classification, or type of worker needed to execute the contract. Under existing law, if the director determines during any quarterly period that there has been a change in any prevailing rate of per diem wages in a locality, the director is required to make that change available to the awarding body and their determination is final. Under existing law, that determination does not apply to public works contracts for which the notice to bidders has been published.</p> <p>This bill would instead state, commencing July 1, 2026, that if the director determines, within a semiannual period, that there is a change in any prevailing rate of per diem wages in a locality, that determination applies to any public works contract that is awarded or for which notice to bidders is published after July 1, 2026. The bill would authorize any contractor, awarding body, or specified representative affected by a change in rates on a particular contract to, within 20 days, file with the director a verified petition to review the determination of that rate, as specified. The bill would require the director to, upon notice to the interested parties, initiate an investigation or hold a hearing, and, within 20 days after the filing of that petition, except as specified, make a final determination and transmit the determination in writing to the awarding body and to the interested parties. The bill would make that determination issued by the director effective 10 days after its issuance, and until it is modified, rescinded, or superseded by the director.</p>	4/3/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations (Ayes 7. Noes 0.) (April 2). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1198">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1198</a>	

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A.B.33: Autonomous vehicles.	<p>Existing law authorizes the operation of an autonomous vehicle on public roads for testing purposes by a driver who possesses the proper class of license for the type of vehicle operated if specified requirements are satisfied. Existing law prohibits the operation of an autonomous vehicle on public roads until the manufacturer submits an application to the Department of Motor Vehicles, as specified, and that application is approved. A violation of the Vehicle Code or a local ordinance adopted pursuant to that code is an infraction.</p> <p>This bill would prohibit the delivery of commercial goods, as defined, directly to a residence or to a business for its use or retail sale through the operation of an autonomous vehicle without a human operator on any highway within the State of California.</p> <p>The bill would declare that a violation of this prohibition is not an infraction and is instead punishable by a civil fine not to exceed \$25,000 for each instance of the violation. The bill would make certain findings and declarations related to these provisions.</p> <p>The bill would require the department to submit a report to the Legislature evaluating the performance of autonomous vehicle technology and its impact on public safety and employment, as specified. This bill would require all relevant state agencies, including, among others, the Department of Transportation and the State Air Resources Board, to provide information to the department to research this report. The bill would prohibit the department from issuing a deployment permit for the use of an autonomous vehicle to deliver commercial goods without a human operator until a later enacted statute authorizes the issuance of a permit for that purpose.</p>	4/2/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB33">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB33</a>	

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S.B.24: Electrical and gas corporations: rates: political influence activities and promotional advertising: termination of services.	<p>Existing law authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to fix the rates and charges for public utilities, including electrical corporations and gas corporations, and requires those rates and charges to be just and reasonable. Under existing law, a regulated public utility is prohibited from using ratepayer funds for advocacy-related activities that are political or do not otherwise benefit ratepayers.</p> <p>This bill would prohibit, except as provided, an electrical corporation or gas corporation from recording various expenses associated with political influence activities, as defined, promotional advertising, as defined, or opposing the municipalization of electrical or gas service, to accounts that contain expenses that the electrical corporation or gas corporation recovers from ratepayers. The bill would require electrical corporations and gas corporations to clearly and conspicuously disclose in all of its advertising whether the costs of the advertising are paid for by the corporation's shareholders or ratepayers. The bill would require an electrical corporation or gas corporation, on or before April 30, 2026, and annually thereafter, to provide the commission with a report of expenses from the previous calendar year and would require that, for each business unit of the corporation that performs work associated with political influence activities or promotional advertising, the report contain specified information. The bill would require the commission to make the report publicly available and would authorize the commission to redact information that the commission deems to be confidential in the report. The bill would require the commission to assess a civil penalty against an electrical corporation or gas corporation that violates certain prohibitions described above, or that fails or neglects to comply with any part or provision of any order, decision, decree, rule, direction, demand, or requirement of the commission related to implementing those provisions, as provided.</p> <p>Existing law prohibits an electrical corporation or gas corporation from terminating a customer's residential service for nonpayment of a delinquent account in certain circumstances, including, among other circumstances, the corporation gives notice to the customer of the delinquency and impending termination, during the pendency of an investigation by the corporation of the customer's dispute or complaint, or when the customer has been granted an extension of the period for payment of a bill. Existing law requires an electrical corporation or gas corporation to restore service to a residential customer whose service was previously terminated for nonpayment of a delinquent amount upon the customer entering into an amortization agreement or other arrearage payment plan determined by the</p>	4/2/2025	Re-referred to Coms. on E., U & C. and Committee on Judiciary	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B24">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B24</a>	

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A.B.226: California FAIR Plan Association.	<p>The California FAIR Plan Association is a joint reinsurance association in which all insurers licensed to write basic property insurance participate in administering a program for the equitable apportionment of basic property insurance for persons who are unable to obtain that coverage through normal channels. Existing law requires the association's plan of operation and any amendment to the plan to be approved by the Insurance Commissioner. Existing law establishes the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank and authorizes it to issue bonds to provide funds for the payment of costs of a project for a participating party or upon request by a state entity.</p> <p>This bill would authorize the association, if granted prior approval from the commissioner, to request the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank to issue bonds, and would authorize the bank to issue those bonds to finance the costs of claims, to increase liquidity and claims-paying capacity of the association, and to refund bonds previously issued for that purpose. The bill would specify that the association is a participating party and that financing all or any portion of the costs of claims or to increase liquidity and the claims-paying capacity of the association is a project for bond purposes. The bill would authorize the bank to loan the proceeds of issued bonds to the association, and would authorize the association to enter into a loan agreement with the bank and to enter into a line of credit agreement with an institutional lender or broker-dealer.</p> <p>This bill would require the association, if the above-described bonds, loan agreements, or lines of credit received the prior approval of the commissioner, to assess members in the amounts and at the times necessary to timely pay in full all obligations of the association with respect to those bonds, loan agreements, or lines of credit and related agreements, as specified.</p> <p>Existing law establishes the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank Fund, a continuously appropriated fund, for the purpose of implementing the objectives of the bank.</p> <p>To the extent that the bill would result in additional revenues being deposited into the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank Fund, the bill would make an appropriation.</p> <p>This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.</p>	4/2/2025	In Senate. Read first time. To Committee on Rules for assignment.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB226">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB226</a>	

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S.B.247: State agency contracts: bid preference: equity metrics.	<p>Existing law establishes bid preferences and participation goals in public contracting for certain types of bidders. The Small Business Procurement and Contract Act establishes a minimum goal of 25% procurement participation for small businesses, including microbusinesses, in the provision of goods, information technology, and services to the state, and in the construction of state facilities. The Small Business Procurement and Contract Act requires that state agencies awarding contracts for goods, information technology, services, and construction give 5% bid preferences, as specified, to small business and microbusiness bidders. The California Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise Program requires state departments that award contracts to establish 3% participation goals for certain types of contracts for certified disabled veteran business enterprises, as defined.</p> <p>This bill would require an awarding department, defined to include a state agency or department, to provide a bid preference of 10% in the award of contracts to contractors that set equity metrics, as prescribed. The bill would prohibit awarding a preference to a noncompliant bidder and would also prohibit the preference from being used to achieve any applicable minimum requirements. The bill would require the Department of General Services to adopt rules and regulations for the purpose of implementing these provisions.</p>	4/2/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Governmental Organization	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B247">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B247</a>	

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S.B.256: Electricity: electrical infrastructure: wildfire mitigation: undergrounding: emergency operations.	<p>Existing law vests the Public Utilities Commission with regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations, while local publicly owned electric utilities are under the direction of their governing boards. Existing law requires electrical corporations, electrical cooperatives, and local publicly owned electric utilities to construct, maintain, and operate their electrical lines and equipment in a manner that will minimize the risk of catastrophic wildfire posed by those electrical lines and equipment. Existing law requires electrical corporations to annually prepare and submit wildfire mitigation plans to the Office of Energy Infrastructure Safety for review and approval. Existing law also requires a local publicly owned electric utility or electrical cooperative to annually prepare a wildfire mitigation plan and submit the plan to the California Wildfire Safety Advisory Board, as specified. Existing law requires that a wildfire mitigation plan include, among other things, a description of the preventive strategies and programs to minimize the risk of its electrical lines and equipment causing catastrophic wildfires.</p> <p>This bill would, for the description in the wildfire mitigation plan of the preventive strategies and programs to minimize the risk of its electrical lines and equipment causing catastrophic wildfires, require electrical corporations, electrical cooperatives, and local publicly owned electric utilities to include consideration of low-risk areas. The bill would require a wildfire mitigation plan to include an identification of any lapses in communication coordination during recent past emergency response events with local governments, as specified, and a description of any opportunities to collaborate with local governments, and other steps that can be taken to establish more efficient communication coordination during future emergency responses, as provided. The bill would require electrical corporations, electrical cooperatives, and local publicly owned electric utilities to conduct annual wildfire preparedness workshops in collaboration with and open to any local fire departments in their service areas to provide updates on the latest adopted wildfire mitigation plans, discuss any lapses in, and opportunities to increase efficiency of, communication coordination during emergency responses, and gather input for inclusion in the development of the next annual submission of their wildfire mitigation plans, as provided.</p> <p>Existing law requires the commission to establish an expedited utility distribution infrastructure undergrounding</p>	4/2/2025	Re-referred to E., U & C.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B256">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B256</a>	

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A.B.394: Public transportation providers.	<p>Existing law defines a battery as any willful and unlawful use of force or violence upon the person of another. Existing law defines stalking as willfully, maliciously, and repeatedly following or willfully and maliciously harassing another person and making a credible threat with the intent to place that person in reasonable fear for the person's safety, or the safety of the person's immediate family.</p> <p>Existing law provides that when a battery is committed against the person of an operator, driver, or passenger on a bus, taxicab, streetcar, cable car, trackless trolley, or other motor vehicle, as specified, and the person who commits the offense knows or reasonably should know that the victim is engaged in the performance of their duties, the penalty is imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one year, a fine not exceeding \$10,000, or both the fine and imprisonment. Existing law also provides that if the victim is injured, the offense would be punished by a fine not exceeding \$10,000, by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one year or in the state prison for 16 months, 2, or 3 years, or by both that fine and imprisonment.</p> <p>This bill would expand this crime to include stalking against any of those persons and would also have the crime apply when it occurs against an employee, public transportation provider, or contractor of a public transportation provider. By expanding the scope of an existing crime and creating a new crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>Existing law authorizes any employer or collective bargaining representative whose employee has suffered harassment, unlawful violence, or a credible threat of violence from any individual, which can reasonably be construed to be carried out or to have been carried out at the workplace, to seek a temporary restraining order and an injunction on behalf of the employee and other employees of the employer.</p> <p>This bill would require a temporary restraining order issued pursuant to a violation of the above provision to be enforceable across the entirety of any public transit system, as defined. The bill would authorize a law enforcement agency with jurisdiction over the public transit system to enforce the temporary restraining order, as specified.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p>	4/2/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Judiciary (Ayes 9. Noes 0.) (April 1). Re-referred to Committee on Judiciary	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB394">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB394</a>	

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A.B.417: Local finance: enhanced infrastructure financing districts: community revitalization and investment authorities.	<p>(1)Existing law authorizes the legislative body of a city or a county to designate a proposed enhanced infrastructure financing district to finance public capital facilities or other specified projects, including acquisition, construction, or repair of commercial structures by the small business occupant of such structures, if such acquisition, construction, or repair is for purposes of fostering economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic, as specified, with a governing body referred to as the public financing authority, by adopting a resolution of intention to establish the proposed district.</p> <p>This bill would revise these provisions to instead authorize the designation of a proposed enhanced infrastructure financing district to finance capital facilities or other specified projects for the acquisition, construction, or repair of commercial structures by the small business occupant of such structures, as described above, if such acquisition, construction, or repair is for purposes of fostering economic recovery of a community, as specified.</p> <p>Existing law requires the public financing authority of an enhanced infrastructure financing district to hold a meeting and 3 public hearings on a proposed infrastructure financing plan, as provided. Existing law requires the public financing authority to review the enhanced infrastructure financing plan at least annually and to make any amendments, as specified. Existing law authorizes amendments to an approved infrastructure financing plan, as described, subject to approval by a majority vote of the governing board at a public hearing held following the provision of a 30 day mailed notice, as described. Existing law requires amendments that propose the increase of the limit of the total number of dollars in local taxes allocation to the plan to be adopted in accordance with all notices and hearing requirements for the affected landowners and residents within the proposed additional territory applicable to an initial proposed enhanced infrastructure financing plan.</p> <p>This bill would instead authorize the amendments, as specified, or the addition of a participating taxing entity and its representatives as members of a public financing authority after the date of district formation, to be approved by a majority vote of the public financing authority at a public hearing held following the provision of a 30-day mailed notice, as described above. The bill would instead require amendments that propose the increase of the limit of the total number of dollars in local taxes allocation to the plan, except where the increase is the result of an affected taxing entity agreeing to participate in the existing district and the plan is amended, as</p>	4/2/2025	In Senate. Read first time. To Committee on Rules for assignment.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB417">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB417</a>	

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S.B.688: Office of Regulatory Counsel.	<p>Existing law establishes the Government Operations Agency, which consists of several departments including the Office of Administrative Law (OAL). Existing law, the Administrative Procedure Act, governs the procedure for the adoption, amendment, or repeal of regulations by state agencies and for the review of those regulatory actions by the OAL. Existing law requires the OAL to provide for the publication of the California Regulatory Notice Register and to include specified information in the register, including notices of proposed action prepared by regulatory agencies, a summary of regulations filed with the Secretary of State, and a summary of regulation decisions issued, as specified.</p> <p>This bill, until January 1, 2035, would establish the Office of Regulatory Counsel in state government within the Governor’s office, under the direction and control of a director. The bill would require the director to be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation of the Senate and for the director’s term to be coterminous with that of the appointing power, except as provided.</p> <p>This bill would require the office to draft and assist in the preparation, consideration, amendment, and repeal of regulations for a state agency, before the state agency submits a proposed action regarding that regulation to the OAL for publication in the California Regulatory Notice Register. The bill would make related legislative findings and declarations.</p>	4/7/2025	April 7 hearing: Placed on Committee on Appropriations suspense file.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B688">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B688</a>	
S.B.801: Agricultural workers: wages, hours, and working conditions: definitions.	<p>Existing law sets wage, hour, meal break requirements, and other working conditions for employees and requires an employer to pay overtime wages to an employee who works in excess of a workday or workweek. Existing law establishes the Department of Industrial Relations and provides that one of its functions is to foster, promote, and develop the welfare of the wage earners of California, to improve their working conditions, and to advance their opportunities for profitable employment.</p> <p>Existing law establishes specific labor protections for sheepherders and goat herders, as defined, relating to wages, meal and rest periods, lodging, and other conditions of employment. Existing law imposes civil penalties, as prescribed, for violations of these provisions.</p> <p>Existing law, the Phase-In Overtime for Agricultural Workers Act of 2016, establishes a schedule that phases in overtime requirements for persons employed in an agricultural occupation, as defined. The act, beginning January 1, 2022, among other things, requires that any work performed by a person employed in an agricultural occupation in excess of 12 hours per day be compensated at a rate of no less than twice the employee’s regular rate of pay. Existing law requires the Department of Industrial Relations to update a specific wage order of the Industrial Welfare Commission governing agricultural occupations to be consistent with the act, except in specified circumstances in which the existing wage order offers greater protections. The act defines the term “employed in an agricultural occupation” for these purposes as having the same meaning as in that wage order.</p> <p>For purposes of the Phase-In Overtime for Agricultural Workers Act of 2016, this bill would create an exception from the above-described definition for sheepherders or goat herders, as defined in that order.</p>	4/2/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Labor, Public Employment and Retirement	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B801">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B801</a>	
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A.B.1223: Local Transportation Authority and Improvement Act: Sacramento Transportation Authority.	<p>The Local Transportation Authority and Improvement Act authorizes a county board of supervisors to create or otherwise designate a local transportation authority in the county that may impose a transactions and use tax for transportation purposes subject to voter approval and other specified requirements. Pursuant to that authority, the county board of supervisors of the County of Sacramento created the Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA).</p> <p>This bill would provide that the allowable expenditure categories for revenues from a tax imposed by STA include the construction, modernization, and improvement of infrastructure, as defined, that supports infill or transit-oriented development and would reduce vehicle miles traveled. The bill would authorize STA to develop and operate toll facilities under specified laws. The bill would also authorize STA to impose a transactions and use tax under the act in a geographic area that comprises less than the total area of the County of Sacramento, subject to the approval of voters within that area and other specified requirements.</p>	4/2/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Local Government	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1223">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1223</a>	
S.B.767: Energy: transportation fuels: supply: reportable pipelines.	<p>Existing law establishes the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission. Existing law requires major oil producers, refiners, marketers, oil transporters, oil storers, pipeline operators, and ports to annually submit certain information to the commission. Existing law establishes the Geologic Energy Management Division in the Department of Conservation, under the direction of the State Oil and Gas Supervisor, who is required to supervise the drilling, operation, maintenance, and abandonment of oil and gas wells in the state and the operation, maintenance, and removal or abandonment of tanks and facilities related to oil and gas production within an oil and gas field, so as to prevent damage to life, health, property, and natural resources.</p> <p>This bill would require the Geologic Energy Management Division to identify, on or before December 31, 2026, those pipelines that qualify as reportable pipelines, as defined. The bill would require, commencing March 30, 2027, and each month thereafter, the operators of reportable pipelines to report pipeline flows to the division. If reportable pipeline flows fall to, or below, their rated minimum throughput levels, the bill would require the operators to notify the division within 24 hours of the potential pipeline shutdown. The bill would also require the division to notify the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, the Governor, and specified legislative committees of the potential reportable pipeline shutdown, and to confer with the commission to determine if the potential reportable pipeline shutdown could result in gasoline supply disruptions. The bill would require the division to establish a form for reporting pipeline flows that may be submitted via email by reportable pipeline operators. The form shall include a method to report when pipeline flows reach minimum throughput levels.</p>	4/2/2025	Re-referred to Coms. on E., U & C. and Committee on Natural Resources And Water	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB767">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB767</a>	

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S.B.272: San Mateo County Transit District: job order contracting: pilot program.	<p>The Local Agency Public Construction Act sets forth procedures that a local agency is required to follow when procuring certain services or work. The act also sets forth specific public contracting requirements for certain transit districts, including the San Mateo County Transit District for construction work contracts. The act authorizes certain local agencies, including school districts and community college districts, to engage in job order contracting, as prescribed.</p> <p>This bill would establish a pilot program to authorize the San Mateo County Transit District to use job order contracting as a procurement method. The bill would impose a \$5,000,000 cap on awards under a single job order contract and a \$1,000,000 cap on any single job order. The bill would limit the term of an initial contract to a maximum of 12 months, with extensions as prescribed. The bill would establish various procedures and requirements for the use of job order contracting under the pilot program. The bill would require the district, on or before January 1, 2030, to submit to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature a report on the use of job order contracting under the bill. The pilot program would be repealed on January 1, 2032.</p> <p>This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the San Mateo County Transit District.</p>	4/1/2025	In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B272">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B272</a>	
A.B.761: Monterey-Salinas Transit District: sales and special taxes.	<p>Existing law creates the Monterey-Salinas Transit District to include all of the County of Monterey, with specified powers and duties related to public transit service. Existing law prohibits the district from imposing sales or special taxes, but authorizes the district, with the concurrence of a majority of the member jurisdictions represented on the board of directors, to submit a ballot measure for the imposition of those taxes to voters of the district.</p> <p>This bill would prohibit the submission of a measure for the imposition of a sales or special tax to the voters of the district under this authority on or after January 1, 2026.</p> <p>Existing law authorizes various local governmental entities, subject to certain limitations and approval requirements, to levy a transactions and use tax, in accordance with the procedures and requirements set forth in the Transactions and Use Tax Law, including a requirement that the combined rate of all taxes that may be imposed in accordance with that law in the county not exceed 2%.</p> <p>This bill would authorize the Monterey-Salinas Transit District, upon the affirmative vote of at least of the board of directors, to submit to the voters of the district a measure proposing a retail transactions and use tax ordinance in accordance with the Transactions and Use Tax Law.</p> <p>The bill would also separately authorize the district to impose a transactions and use tax for the support of its transportation services at a rate of no more than 0.25% that would, in combination with other transactions and use taxes, exceed the above-described combined rate limit of 2%, if the ordinance proposing the tax is approved by the voters before January 1, 2035, subject to applicable voter approval requirements, as specified. The bill would prohibit a transactions and use tax rate imposed pursuant to this authority from being considered for purposes of that combined rate limit described above.</p>	4/1/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Local Government	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB761">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB761</a>	

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S.B.469: Department of Industrial Relations: task force: public infrastructure: employment: underrepresented communities.	Existing law creates in the Labor and Workforce Development Agency the Department of Industrial Relations to foster, promote, and develop the welfare of wage earners of California, to improve their working conditions, and to advance their opportunities for profitable employment. This bill would require the department to establish the California Public Infrastructure Task Force, composed of representatives of specified agencies to promote employment in public infrastructure projects for underrepresented communities and to provide compliance assistance to contractors and subcontractors in public infrastructure projects regarding their nondiscrimination obligations, as specified.	4/4/2025	April 9 set for second hearing canceled at the request of author.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B469">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B469</a>	
A.B.979: California Cybersecurity Integration Center: artificial intelligence.	Existing law requires the Office of Emergency Services to establish and lead the California Cybersecurity Integration Center. Existing law states that the center's mission is to reduce the likelihood and severity of cyber incidents that could damage California's economy, its critical infrastructure, or public and private sector computer networks in the state. Existing law requires the center to serve as the central organizing hub of state government's cybersecurity activities and coordinate information sharing with specified entities, including local, state, and federal agencies. This bill would require the California Cybersecurity Integration Center to develop, on or before July 1, 2026, in consultation with the Office of Information Security and the Government Operations Agency, a California AI Cybersecurity Collaboration Playbook, as specified, to facilitate information sharing across the artificial intelligence community and to strengthen collective cyber defenses against emerging threats. The bill would require the center to review federal requirements, standards, and industry best practices, as specified, and to use those resources to inform the development of the California AI Cybersecurity Collaboration Playbook. Except as specified, the bill would provide that any information related to cyber threat indicators or defensive measures for a cybersecurity purpose shared in accordance with the California AI Cybersecurity Collaboration Playbook is confidential and would prohibit that information from being disclosed, except as specified. The bill would also make findings and declarations related to its provisions. Existing constitutional provisions require that a statute that limits the right of access to the meetings of public bodies or the writings of public officials and agencies be adopted with findings demonstrating the interest protected by the limitation and the need for protecting that interest. This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.	4/1/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Privacy and Consumer Protection	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB979">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB979</a>	

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A.B.1442: Essential Worker Commission.	Existing law establishes the Labor and Workforce Development Agency, consisting of various offices and entities, including the office of the Secretary of Labor and Workforce Development, the Agricultural Labor Relations Board, and the California Workforce Development Board. This bill would establish the Essential Worker Commission within the Labor and Workforce Development Agency, to review, investigate, and analyze issues relating to essential workers in the state, including workplace safety and health protections and wages and benefits for undocumented workers. The bill would require the Essential Worker Commission, based on that review, investigation, and analysis, to establish the Essential Worker Legal Work Program to provide essential workers with legal pathways to remain in California and work lawfully.	4/1/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Labor and Employment	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1442">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1442</a>	
A.B.1381: California School Finance Authority: Educational Workforce Housing Revolving Loan Fund.	The California School Finance Authority Act establishes the California School Finance Authority and authorizes the authority to, among other things, issue revenue bonds to finance or refinance educational facility projects for school districts, charter schools, county offices of education, and community college districts. Existing law requires the authority to administer various funds, including, for college applicants, the California Student Housing Revolving Loan Fund. This bill would establish the Educational Workforce Housing Revolving Loan Fund in the State Treasury to be administered by the authority. The bill, upon appropriation, would require moneys in the fund be loaned to local education agencies (LEAs) for the purposes of conducting educational workforce housing predevelopment efforts. The bill would require these loans be issued with no interest and based upon LEA average daily attendance, as specified. The bill would require these loans to be repaid over an unspecified number of years. The bill would require the authority to designate a statewide educational nonprofit organization, as specified, to, among other requirements, assist the authority in identifying LEAs for the receipt of a loan. The bill would provide that a LEA qualifies for a loan under its provisions if the LEA submits a signed commitment, as specified. For annual administrative costs, the bill would require the nonprofit organization to receive, upon appropriation, an amount equal to an unspecified percentage of the total amount of loans issued. The bill would also make legislative findings and declarations related to its provisions.	4/1/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Education	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1381">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1381</a>	

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A.B.1432: Homelessness Accountability, Recovery, and Treatment Act.	<p>Existing law establishes and provides funding for various state programs in connection with assisting the homeless, including Housing First. Existing law establishes the core components of Housing First to include, among other things, tenant screening and selection practices that promote accepting applicants regardless of their sobriety or use of substances, completion of treatment, or participation in services.</p> <p>This bill, the Homelessness Accountability, Recovery, and Treatment Act, would authorize a state agency to use up to 40 percent of existing noncontinuously appropriated funds allocated to a homelessness program on recovery housing that does not meet the core components of Housing First.</p> <p>Existing law requires the Governor to create an Interagency Council on Homeless to create partnerships among state agencies and departments, local government agencies, and specified nonprofit entities to arrive at specific strategies to end homelessness and collect, compile, and make publicly available specified financial data provided to the council from all state-funded homelessness programs.</p> <p>This bill would require a nonprofit that receives state or local government funding for homelessness programs to annually report to the relevant state agency or local government from which they receive funding specified standardized performance metrics. The bill would require a state agency, as defined, to develop a standardized reporting template and compile and publish an annual report summarizing the performance metrics. The bill would require a nonprofit to maintain records and documentation to support the performance metrics and make those records available for audit or review upon request by a local government or state agency. The bill would require a state agency, in collaboration with local governments, to establish procedures for certifying the accuracy of the performance metrics. To the extent that the bill would require a local government to cooperate fully with a state agency to establish those procedures, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would require a state agency to provide technical assistance and resources to assist nonprofits, particularly smaller nonprofit organizations, in complying with these reporting requirements. The bill would require a state agency to adopt regulations to implement the act no later than January 1, 2027, and would require a nonprofit to begin reporting performance metrics beginning with the first full fiscal year following the adoption of regulations.</p> <p>This bill would define various terms for purposes of the act.</p>	4/1/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Housing and Community Development	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1432">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1432</a>	

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A.B.1480: Local government: County of Orange.	<p>The California Constitution provides that the state is divided into counties, which are legal subdivisions, and requires, among other things, that the Legislature provide for an elected governing body in each county. Existing law requires the income and revenue paid into the county treasury to be at once appropriated to and kept in separate funds.</p> <p>This bill would require the local official in the County of Orange charged with the authority to execute decisions on the Orange County Investment Fund who is elected or appointed on or after January 1, 2026, to meet the same minimum qualifications of the Treasurer-Tax Collector of the County of Orange, and any member of the Audit Oversight Committee of the County of Orange appointed to the committee on or after January 1, 2026, to meet the same minimum qualifications of the members of the prior Treasury Oversight Committee of the County of Orange.</p> <p>The bill would require the County Executive Office of the County of Orange, no later than July 1, 2026, and on or before July 1 of each year thereafter, to prepare an annual statement of assets in the Orange County Investment Fund that is made available to the public and submitted to investors of the fund and the Legislature, as specified. By imposing additional duties on the county or county officers, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The bill would make findings and declarations relating to these provisions.</p> <p>This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the County of Orange.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.</p>	4/2/2025	In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1480">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1480</a>	
S.B.70: Public contracts: Small Business Procurement and Contract Act.	<p>The Small Business Procurement and Contract Act permits a state agency or the California State University to award a contract for goods, services, or information technology with an estimated value between \$5,000 and \$250,000 to a certified small business, including a microbusiness and a disabled veteran business enterprise, without complying with specified competitive bidding requirements.</p> <p>This bill would increase the maximum estimated value of a contract for goods, services, or information technology awarded pursuant to the act from \$250,000 to \$350,000. Commencing January 1, 2028, and biennially thereafter, the bill would require the Director of General Services to conduct a review of that maximum value, and would authorize the director to adjust that value to reflect changes in the California Consumer Price Index.</p>	4/7/2025	April 7 hearing: Placed on Committee on Appropriations suspense file.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB70">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB70</a>	

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S.B.76: Vehicles: registration fees and penalties.	Existing law imposes renewal fee penalties for late payment of vehicle registration except in limited specified cases. Existing law authorizes the Department of Motor Vehicles to waive the registration penalties accrued before the purchase of a vehicle upon payment for the fees for registration due, if the transferee or purchaser was not aware that the fees were unpaid. Existing law also authorizes the department to waive the registration fees that became due before the purchase of the vehicle if the transferee or purchaser was not aware that the fees were unpaid and the license plate assigned to the vehicle displays a validating device issued by the department that contains the year number of the registration year for which the transferee or purchaser is requesting a waiver of fees. Existing law further provides that these unpaid fees and penalties are the personal debt of the transferor of the vehicle and may be collected by the department in an appropriate civil action if the department has waived the fees and penalties. This bill would instead require the department to waive delinquent registration fees and penalties when a transferee or purchaser of a vehicle applies for a transfer of registration if the department determines that the fees became due or the penalties accrued before the purchase of the vehicle. The bill would require the department to create a system to collect these delinquent fees and penalties from the seller or transferor. The bill would repeal the provision authorizing the department to collect the waived fees and penalties in a civil action. These provisions would become operative on January 1, 2030.	4/7/2025	April 7 hearing: Placed on Committee on Appropriations suspense file.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B76">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B76</a>	

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S.B.86: California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority Act: sales and use tax exclusion.	Existing sales and use tax laws impose taxes on retailers measured by the gross receipts from the sale of tangible personal property sold at retail in this state, or on the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of tangible personal property purchased from a retailer for storage, use, or other consumption in this state. The California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority Act establishes the California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority. The act authorizes, until January 1, 2026, the authority to provide financial assistance to a participating party by authorizing exclusions from sales and use tax for certain projects, including those that promote California-based manufacturing, California-based jobs, advanced manufacturing, reduction of greenhouse gases, or reduction in air and water pollution or energy consumption. The act prohibits the sales and use tax exclusions from cumulatively exceeding \$100,000,000 for each calendar year, except as provided. The Sales and Use Tax Law, for the purposes of the taxes imposed pursuant to that law, until January 1, 2026, excludes the lease or transfer of title of tangible personal property constituting one of those projects to any contractor for use in the performance of a construction contract for a participating party that will use that property as an integral part of the approved project. This bill would extend indefinitely the authorization to provide financial assistance in the form of a sales and use tax exclusion for projects approved by the authority. The bill would increase the maximum cumulative amount of the sales and use tax exclusions authorized under these provisions to \$300,000,000 per calendar year. The bill would add electrical generation facilities using nuclear fusion technology to the types of projects qualifying for this sales and use tax exclusion. The bill would make other conforming changes. This bill would take effect immediately as a tax levy.	4/7/2025	April 7 hearing: Placed on Committee on Appropriations suspense file.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B86">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B86</a>	

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S.B.222: Climate disasters: civil actions.	<p>(1)Existing law gives a person the right of protection from bodily harm and the right to possess and use property. If a person suffers bodily harm or a loss of their property because of the unlawful act or omission of another, existing law authorizes them to recover compensation from the person at fault, which is known as damages. This bill would authorize a person who suffered physical harm to their person or property totaling at least \$10,000 to bring a civil action against a party responsible for a climate disaster to recover damages, restitution, specified costs, and other appropriate relief. The bill would make responsible parties jointly, severally, and strictly liable to a plaintiff for damages and restitution. The bill would require an action to be filed within 3 years of the date that the harm was or should have been discovered.</p> <p>(2)Existing law generally regulates the business of insurance in the state. The California FAIR Plan Association is a joint reinsurance association in which all insurers licensed to write basic property insurance participate in administering a program for the equitable apportionment of basic property insurance for persons who are unable to obtain that coverage through normal channels. Under existing law, a member insurer participates in the writings, expenses, and profits and losses of the association in proportion to its written premiums, as specified. Existing law authorizes the association, with the Insurance Commissioner’s approval, to assess member insurers in amounts sufficient to operate the association. This bill would specify that an insurer has a right of subrogation against a responsible party and would authorize an insurer to seek damages against a responsible party for a climate disaster, pursuant to the above-described provisions. The bill would require the association to exercise its right of subrogation against a responsible party for a climate disaster if the association pays claims and receives a policyholder petition, as specified. The bill would require the association to notify the petitioners of a deficiency in the petition within 30 days of receipt, would authorize the petitioners to respond to a notice in accordance with specified procedures, and would require the association to file a lawsuit within 90 days of a court-ordered or statutory determination of completeness, as prescribed. The bill would require the association to assess member insurers based on each insurer’s market share if the claims paid after a climate disaster exhaust the association’s claims-paying capacity, but would provide for</p>	3/28/2025	From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Judiciary	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B222">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B222</a>	

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S.B.232: California Environmental Quality Act: guidelines: study.	<p>The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment.</p> <p>CEQA requires the Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation, formerly named the Office of Planning and Research, to prepare and develop, and the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to certify and adopt, guidelines for the implementation of CEQA. The CEQA guidelines require a lead agency, immediately after deciding that an environmental impact report is required for a project, to send a notice of preparation stating that an environmental impact report will be prepared to the office and each responsible and trustee agency, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would require the office to conduct a study to, among other things, evaluate how locked-in guidelines could impact regulatory certainty for future project proponents, lead agencies, and stakeholders and assess how locked-in guidelines could affect the speed and efficiency of the environmental review process pursuant to CEQA. The bill would define "locked-in guidelines" as CEQA guidelines, that are in effect at the time of the first issuance of the notice of preparation for a project, that apply to the project throughout the course of the environmental review process pursuant to CEQA, regardless of changes in the guidelines that occur after the first issuance of the notice of preparation. The bill would require, on or before January 1, 2027, the office to submit a report to the Governor and the Legislature on the study. The bill would repeal these provisions on January 1, 2028.</p>	4/7/2025	April 7 hearing: Placed on Committee on Appropriations suspense file.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B232">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B232</a>	

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A.B.476: Metal theft.	<p>Existing law governs the business of buying, selling, and dealing in secondhand and used machinery and all ferrous and nonferrous scrap metals and alloys, also known as "junk." Existing law requires junk dealers and recyclers to keep a written record of all sales and purchases made in the course of their business, including the place and date of each sale or purchase of junk, as defined. Existing law requires the written record to include a statement indicating either that the seller of the junk is the owner of it, or the name of the person they obtained the junk from, as shown on a signed transfer document. Existing law prohibits a junk dealer or recycler from providing payment for nonferrous materials until the junk dealer or recycler obtains a copy of a valid driver's license of the seller or other specified identification. Existing law requires a junk dealer or recycler to preserve the written record for at least 2 years. Existing law makes a violation of the recordkeeping requirements a misdemeanor.</p> <p>This bill, among other changes, would require junk dealers and recyclers to include additional information in the written record, including the time and amount paid for each sale or purchase of junk made, and the name of the employee handling the transaction. The bill would require the statement referenced above indicating ownership or the name of the person from whom the seller obtained the junk from to be signed and would require the statement to include specified information, including the legal name, date of birth, and place of residence of the seller. The bill would impose additional requirements on a junk dealer or recycler purchasing nonferrous metals, including obtaining proof of ownership showing the seller has lawful possession or lawful ownership of the nonferrous metals, as specified. The bill would prohibit a junk dealer or recycler from purchasing nonferrous metals from a person under 18 years of age. The bill would require a junk dealer or recycler to maintain the above-described information for at least one year, unless a longer period of time is specified, and would authorize any authorized law enforcement officer to conduct reasonable inspections during regular business hours to ensure compliance with applicable laws.</p> <p>Existing law, the Contractors State License Law, establishes the Contractors State License Board to license and regulate contractors, and establishes the registrar of contractors as the executive officer and secretary of the board.</p> <p>This bill would prohibit a</p>	3/28/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Business, Professions and Consumer Protection	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB476">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB476</a>	

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A.B.1022: Authority to remove vehicles.	<p>Existing law authorizes a peace officer, as defined, or a regularly employed and salaried employee, who is engaged in directing traffic or enforcing parking laws and regulations, of a city, county, or jurisdiction of a state agency in which a vehicle is located, to remove a vehicle located within the territorial limits in which the officer or employee may act, under designated circumstances, including, but not limited to, when a vehicle is found upon a highway or public land, or removed pursuant to the Vehicle Code, and it is known that the vehicle has been issued 5 or more notices of parking violations to which the owner or person in control of the vehicle has not responded within designated time periods, or the registered owner of the vehicle is known to have been issued 5 or more notices for failure to pay or failure to appear in court for traffic violations for which a certificate has not been issued by the magistrate or clerk of the court hearing the case, as specified. Under existing law, a vehicle that has been removed and impounded under those circumstances that is not released may be subject to a lien sale to compensate for the costs of towage and for caring for and keeping safe the vehicle. This bill would remove the authority of a peace officer or public employee, as appropriate, to remove a vehicle under the above-described circumstances, and make conforming changes.</p> <p>Existing law similarly authorizes a peace officer, as defined, or a regularly employed and salaried employee, who is engaged in directing traffic or enforcing parking laws and regulations, of a city, county, or jurisdiction of a state agency in which a vehicle is located, to remove a vehicle from an off-street parking facility located within the territorial limits in which the officer or employee may act, when the vehicle is known to have been issued 5 or more notices of parking violation over a period of 5 or more days, to which the owner or person in control of the vehicle has not responded or when any vehicle is illegally parked so as to prevent the movement of a legally parked vehicle. Existing law authorizes the vehicle to be impounded until the owner or person in control of the vehicle furnishes to the impounding law enforcement agency evidence of their identity and an address within this state at which they can be located and furnishes satisfactory evidence that bail has been deposited for all notices of parking violation issued for the vehicle. In lieu of requiring satisfactory evidence that the bail has been deposited, existing law authorizes the impounding law enforcement agency to, in its discretion, issue a notice to appear for the offenses charged, as specified. In lieu of either furnishing satisfactory evidence that the bail has been deposited or accepting the notice to appear, existing law authorizes the owner or</p>	3/28/2025	Referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1022">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1022</a>	

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A.B.981: Vehicles: active intelligent speed assist devices.	<p>Existing law requires, until January 1, 2026, a person who has been convicted on or after January 1, 2019, of driving a motor vehicle under the influence of an alcoholic beverage, as specified, to install for a period of time, as ordered by the court, an ignition interlock device (IID) on the vehicle they operate. Installation of an IID is discretionary for a first offender, as specified. Existing law also requires persons convicted of driving under the influence of a drug to install an IID. Existing law specifies periods for which a person convicted of one or more prior driving-under-the-influence violations is required to install an IID, as specified. A violation of the Vehicle Code is a crime punishable as an infraction, unless otherwise specified.</p> <p>This bill would impose a similar requirement for persons convicted of specified driving offenses relating to excessive speed, reckless driving, and exhibitions of speed to install for a period of time, as ordered by the court, a certified active intelligent speed assist device (ISA) on any vehicle the person operates. The bill would similarly make the installation of an ISA discretionary for a first offender, as specified. The bill would establish periods for which a person convicted of one or more prior driving-under-the-influence violations is required to install an ISA, as specified. The bill would require the Department of Motor Vehicles to create a verification installation form to be submitted by persons subject to these provisions. The bill would impose a fee schedule to be adopted by certified ISA manufacturers and their agents for the ISA and other related costs. By creating new crimes related to the installation and maintenance of an ISA, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	3/28/2025	Referred to Committee on Public Safety	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB981">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB981</a>	

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A.B.13: Public Utilities Commission: membership: reports.	<p>The California Constitution establishes the Public Utilities Commission consisting of 5 members appointed by the Governor and approved by the Senate. Existing law prohibits an executive of a public utility from serving as a member of the commission within 2 years after leaving the employment of the public utility.</p> <p>This bill would require that 4 members of the commission represent the geographic locations of the 4 State Board of Equalization districts, existing as of January 1, 2026, and one member be an at-large member with expertise in nongovernmental public advocacy or public interest law and with a nongovernmental background, as specified. The bill would prohibit an elected member of, or an employee of, the Legislature or an employee of the executive branch from serving as a member of the commission within one year after leaving the position as an elected member or employee.</p> <p>This bill would authorize each house of the Legislature to appoint a liaison officer to appear in proceedings before the commission, as provided.</p> <p>Existing law requires the president of the commission to appear annually before the appropriate policy committees of the Senate and the Assembly to present certain information. Existing law authorizes the commission to fix the rates and charges for public utilities, and requires that those rates and charges be just and reasonable.</p> <p>This bill would require the president of the commission to appear annually before those committees to present information related to rates affordability and ratesetting cases decided by, or pending before, the commission. Existing law requires the commission to report annually to the Legislature on the timeliness in resolving cases, including the number of orders issued extending the statutory deadline.</p> <p>This bill would specify that the above information includes the number of cases in which the commission failed to issue a decision within the statutory deadline. The bill would require the commission, within 15 days of adopting a final decision on a ratesetting case, to submit to the Legislature a report containing certain information regarding the ratesetting case.</p>	3/27/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations (Ayes 18. Noes 0.) (March 26). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB13">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB13</a>	
A.B.406: Energy: transportation fuels assessment.	<p>Existing law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, on or before January 1, 2024, and every 3 years thereafter, to submit an assessment related to transportation fuels to the Legislature, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would require the commission, beginning with the first assessment submitted after January 1, 2025, to propose recommendations for implementing solutions to mitigate any impacts described in the assessment, and would authorize the commission to request information from the State Air Resources Board, the Geologic Energy Management Division, and other relevant state agencies in preparing the recommendations and the assessment. The bill would require those entities to provide information the commission deems necessary.</p>	3/27/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 18. Noes 0.) (March 26). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB406">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB406</a>	

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A.B.388: Electricity.	<p>The Public Utilities Act vests the Public Utilities Commission with regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations. The act defines “electrical corporation” to include every corporation or person owning, controlling, operating, or managing any electric plant for compensation within this state, except as specified. The act authorizes the commission to fix the rates and charges for every public utility and requires that those rates and charges be just and reasonable.</p> <p>This bill would revise the definition of “electrical corporation” to exclude a corporation or person employing certain solar or wind generating technology if electricity is transmitted exclusively and directly through private electrical lines to a single facility owned by a different corporation or person that uses the electricity only for new load, not for departing load, and for an electrolytic hydrogen production facility, as defined, or a facility using the electricity to provide industrial process heat, or both.</p> <p>This bill would require private electric lines located on property other than the property on which a single electrolytic hydrogen production facility or industrial process heat facility or solar or wind generating technology is located to be subject to all applicable General Orders, as determined by the commission, except as provided, and would require corporations or persons employing private electric lines that are subject to those requirements to file wildfire mitigation plans if any part of the private electric lines are located in high fire threat districts, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would require the commission, on or before July 1, 2027, in a new or existing proceeding, to evaluate and, if just and reasonable, establish a tariff for qualified self-generation projects with a generating capacity exceeding 80,000 kilowatts. The bill would require the commission to structure the tariff so that an electrical corporation serves as an intermediary between the electrical generation and energy storage facilities providing the electricity and the qualified self-generation project. The bill would require the commission to structure rates for qualified self-generation projects to administer the purchase and resale of the electricity from the electrical generation and energy storage facilities solely at cost, as specified. The bill would also require a customer to meet various requirements to be considered a qualified self-generation project, including, among other requirements, that the customer uses electricity from specified sources and the electricity is transmitted exclusively and directly through private electric lines to the customer’s facility. The bill would require any cost</p>	3/26/2025	Re-referred to U. & E.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB388">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB388</a>	

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A.B.334: Operators of toll facilities: interoperability programs: vehicle information.	Existing law requires the Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the Golden Gate Bridge, Highway and Transportation District and all known entities planning to implement a toll facility, to develop and adopt functional specifications and standards for an automatic vehicle identification system in compliance with specified objectives, and generally requires any automatic vehicle identification system purchased or installed after January 1, 1991, to comply with those specifications and standards. Existing law authorizes operators of toll facilities on federal-aid highways engaged in an interoperability program to provide only specified information regarding a vehicle's use of the toll facility. This bill would instead authorize operators of toll facilities on federal-aid highways engaged in an interstate interoperability program to provide only the information regarding a vehicle's use of the toll facility that is intended to implement interstate interoperability.	3/25/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Privacy and Consumer Protection with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (March 24). Re-referred to Committee on Privacy and Consumer Protection	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB334">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB334</a>	
A.B.377: High-Speed Rail Authority: business plan: Merced to Bakersfield segment.	The California High-Speed Rail Act creates the High-Speed Rail Authority to develop and implement a high-speed rail system in the state, with specified powers and duties. The act requires the authority to prepare, publish, adopt, and submit to the Legislature a business plan containing specified elements on a biennial basis and to also provide on a biennial basis a project update report, approved by the Secretary of Transportation as consistent with specified criteria, to the budget committees and the appropriate policy committees of both houses of the Legislature, on the development and implementation of intercity high-speed train service, as provided. The act requires the authority to develop schedules for the delivery of specified tasks relating to the Merced to Bakersfield segment of the high-speed rail project for inclusion in the project update report and the business plan and also requires the authority to include certain other information in the project update report and the business plan relating to the Merced to Bakersfield segment, as provided. This bill would require the authority, as part of the business plan that is due on or before May 1, 2026, to provide a detailed funding plan for the Merced to Bakersfield segment that includes certain information, including an updated estimate of the funding gap for completing the segment and a strategy for addressing the funding gap.	3/25/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (March 24). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB377">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB377</a>	

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A.B.620: Medium- and Heavy-Duty Zero-Emission Vehicle Fleet Purchasing Assistance Program: rental vehicles.	Existing law establishes the Air Quality Improvement Program that is administered by the State Air Resources Board for purposes of funding projects related to, among other things, the reduction of criteria air pollutants and improvement of air quality. Existing law establishes the Medium- and Heavy-Duty Zero-Emission Vehicle Fleet Purchasing Assistance Program (program) within the Air Quality Improvement Program to make financing tools and nonfinancial supports available to operators of medium- and heavy-duty vehicle fleets to enable those operators to transition their fleets to zero-emission vehicles. This bill, for any regulation adopted to develop or implement the program, or other regulations that are regarding the procurement or use of medium- and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles by a public or private fleet, would require the state board to consider specified things, including, among other things, the environmental and supply chain benefits of renting medium- and heavy-duty zero-emission vehicles compared to procuring them.	3/25/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations with recommendation: To Consent Calendar. (Ayes 16. Noes 0.) (March 24). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB620">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB620</a>	

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A.B.914: Air pollution: indirect sources: toxic air contaminants.	<p>Existing law generally designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency with the primary responsibility for the control of vehicular air pollution, and air pollution control districts and air quality management districts with the primary responsibility for the control of air pollution from all sources other than vehicular sources. Existing law authorizes air districts to adopt and implement regulations to reduce or mitigate emissions from indirect sources of air pollution.</p> <p>This bill would require the state board to adopt and enforce rules and regulations applicable to indirect sources of emissions, as specified. If the state board elects to exercise that authority, the bill would require the state board to establish a schedule of fees on facilities and mobile sources to cover the reasonable costs of implementing and enforcing the regulations and would require the fees to be deposited in the Air Pollution Control Fund and made available to the state board upon appropriation by the Legislature. The bill would require the state board to establish a statewide reporting program to quantify emissions and annually collect related information from indirect sources of emissions. Existing law requires the state board to identify toxic air contaminants that are emitted into the ambient air of the state and to adopt airborne toxic control measures to reduce emissions of toxic air contaminants. Existing law also requires the state board to designate any substance that is listed as a hazardous air pollutant under federal law as a toxic air contaminant and to establish airborne toxic control measures applicable to the substance in accordance with specified procedures.</p> <p>This bill would authorize the state board to assess and collect reasonable fees on emitters of toxic air contaminants. The bill would require the fees to be deposited in the Certification and Compliance Fund and made available for the regulation of toxic air contaminants upon appropriation by the Legislature.</p> <p>Existing law makes any violation of a rule or regulation of the state board relating to nonvehicular air pollution control a misdemeanor.</p> <p>Because a violation of these rules or regulations of the state board with respect to nonvehicular sources subject to those rules and regulations would be a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement. This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	3/25/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB914">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB914</a>	

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A.B.1007: Land use: development project review.	<p>Existing law, the Permit Streamlining Act, requires a public agency that is the lead agency for a development project to approve or disapprove a development project within specified time periods. The act requires a public agency, other than the California Coastal Commission, that is a responsible agency for specified development projects to approve or disapprove the project within 90 days of the date on which the lead agency has approved the project or within 90 days of the date on which the completed application has been received and accepted as complete by the lead agency, whichever is longer.</p> <p>This bill would reduce the time period that a responsible agency is required to approve or disapprove a project, as described above, from 90 days to 45 days. By increasing the duties of local officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	3/25/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Local Government	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1007">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1007</a>	

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A.B.1106: State Air Resources Board: regional air quality incident response program.	<p>Existing law generally designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency with the primary responsibility for the control of vehicular air pollution, and air pollution control districts and air quality management districts with the primary responsibility for the control of air pollution from all sources other than vehicular sources. Existing law requires the state board to inventory sources of air pollution within the air basins of the state, determine the kinds and quantity of air pollutants, and monitor air pollutants in cooperation with districts and other agencies.</p> <p>This bill would require the state board to expand its incident air monitoring program, subject to an appropriation by the Legislature for those purposes, to provide support for a regional network of air quality incident response centers operated by air districts, including at least one located in the South Coast Air Quality Management District, in order to facilitate emergency air monitoring response at the local and regional level. Prior to the state board establishing an air quality incident response center within an air district, the bill would require the state board to coordinate and develop operational plans for the air quality incident response centers with the relevant air districts. The bill would provide that funding made available to the state board for purposes of these provisions may be used for various purposes, including program funding to plan, create, equip, and maintain air quality incident response centers.</p> <p>To the extent that the bill would expand the duties of an air district, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.</p>	3/25/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1106">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1106</a>	

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A.B.1054: Public employees' retirement: deferred retirement option program.	<p>Existing law, the County Employees Retirement Law of 1937, prescribes retirement benefits for members of specified county and district retirement systems. Existing law establishes the Deferred Retirement Option Program as an optional benefit program for specified safety members of those systems that, by ordinance or resolution by the county board of supervisors or the governing body, elect to adopt it. The program provides eligible members access, upon service retirement, to a lump sum or, in some cases, monthly payments in addition to a monthly retirement allowance, as specified.</p> <p>Existing law, the Public Employees' Retirement Law (PERL), creates the Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS) for the purpose of providing pension benefits to state employees and employees of contracting agencies and prescribes the rights and duties of members of the system and their beneficiaries. Existing law vests management and control of PERS in its board of administration. PERS provides a defined benefit to members of the program, based on final compensation, credited service, and age at retirement, subject to certain variations.</p> <p>This bill would establish the Deferred Retirement Option Program as a voluntary program within PERS for employees of State Bargaining Units 5 (Highway Patrol) and 8 (Firefighters). The bill would require these state bargaining units to bargain with the Department of Human Resources to implement the program. The bill would also require the program to result in a cost savings or be cost neutral. The bill would further require the department to work with the board of PERS to develop the program.</p>	3/25/2025	Re-referred to P. Committee on Elections and Redistricting	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1054">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1054</a>	
A.B.1048: Workers' compensation.	<p>Existing law establishes a workers' compensation system, administered by the Administrative Director of the Division of Workers' Compensation, within the Department of Industrial Relations, to compensate an employee for injuries sustained in the course of their employment. Among other things, the workers' compensation system provides for medical and hospital treatment, disability payments, and death benefits, as specified.</p> <p>Existing law requires the administrative director to contract with one or more independent bill review organizations to conduct reviews of medical providers in accordance with specified criteria. Existing law authorizes a provider under certain circumstances, including when the amount of payment is in dispute, to request an independent bill review within a specified timeframe. Existing law requires that the medical provider pay to the administrative director a fee to cover the reasonable estimated cost of the independent bill review and the administration of the independent bill review program. Existing law requires the administrative director to adopt and revise periodically an official medical fee schedule establishing reasonable maximum fees paid for medical services other than physician services, drugs and pharmacy services, health care facility fees, home health care, and all other treatment, care, services, and goods.</p> <p>This bill would define a payment dispute to include a contract dispute involving any discount or reduction from the official medical fee schedule. The bill would also require, if the dispute only involves a percentage discount or reduction that results in the independent bill review upholding the decision, the independent review organization to provide a written decision to the medical provider and include the contract relied upon to uphold the decision.</p>	3/25/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Insurance	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1048">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1048</a>	

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A.B.1286: Political Reform Act of 1974: prospective employment.	<p>The Political Reform Act of 1974 requires specified public officials to file statements disclosing their investments and interests in real property on the date they assume office, and income received during the 12 months before assuming office, and to file subsequent statements at intervals specified by regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission and upon leaving office. The act requires each public agency to adopt a conflict of interest code that requires designated employees to file statements disclosing their business positions, investments, interests in real property, and income, according to specified deadlines.</p> <p>This bill would also require public officials to disclose arrangements for prospective employment according to specified deadlines, and would require public agencies' conflict of interest codes to include similar disclosure requirements for designated employees. The bill would define "arrangement for prospective employment" as an agreement pursuant to which a prospective employer's offer of employment has been accepted by the prospective employee.</p> <p>The Political Reform Act of 1974, an initiative measure, provides that the Legislature may amend the act to further the act's purposes upon a vote of each house of the Legislature and compliance with specified procedural requirements.</p> <p>This bill would declare that it furthers the purposes of the act.</p> <p>A violation of the Political Reform Act of 1974 is punishable as a misdemeanor. By creating new disclosure requirements and therefore creating new crimes under the act, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	4/9/2025	From committee: Amend, and do pass as amended and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations (Ayes 7. Noes 0.) (April 9).	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1286">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1286</a>	

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A.B.1275: Regional housing needs: regional transportation plan.	<p>Existing law, the Planning and Zoning Law, requires each county and city to adopt a comprehensive, long-term general plan for the physical development of the county or city, and specified land outside its boundaries. Existing law requires the general plan to include, among other mandatory elements, a housing element, and requires the housing element to include, among other things, an inventory of land suitable and available for residential development.</p> <p>Existing law requires the Department of Housing and Community Development, in consultation with each council of governments, to determine each region’s existing and projected housing need at least 2 years prior to the scheduled revision, as specified, and requires each council of governments, or the department for cities and counties without a council of governments, to adopt a final regional housing need plan that allocates a share of the regional housing need to each city and county, as provided.</p> <p>This bill would, except for cities and counties without a council of governments, instead require the department, in consultation with each council of governments, to determine each region’s existing and projected housing need at least 3 years before the scheduled revision, as specified.</p> <p>Existing law requires certain transportation planning agencies to prepare and adopt a regional transportation plan directed at achieving a coordinated and balanced regional transportation system. Existing law requires that each regional transportation plan include a sustainable communities strategy developed to achieve greenhouse gas emission reduction targets for the automobile and light truck sector for 2020 and 2035 established by the State Air Resources Board.</p> <p>Existing law requires each council of governments, or delegate subregion, as applicable, to develop, in consultation with the department, a proposed methodology for distributing the existing and projected regional housing need to cities, counties, and cities and counties within the region or within the subregion. Existing law requires the proposed methodology to further certain objectives, including affirmatively furthering fair housing, as defined. Existing law requires each council of governments, or delegate subregion, as applicable, to publish a draft allocation methodology on its internet website and submit the draft allocation methodology, along with other specified information, to the department. Existing law requires the department to review the draft allocation methodology and report its written findings to the council of governments, or delegate</p>	3/25/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Housing and Community Development	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1275">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1275</a>	

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A.B.1244: California Environmental Quality Act: transportation impact mitigation: Transit-Oriented Development Implementation Program.	<p>The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment.</p> <p>Under existing law, the Transit-Oriented Development Implementation Program is administered by the Department of Housing and Community Development to provide local assistance to developers for the purpose of developing higher density uses within close proximity to transit stations as provided. Existing law, establishes the Transit-Oriented Development Implementation Fund and, to the extent funds are available, requires the department to make loans for the development and construction of housing development projects within close proximity to a transit station that meet specified criteria.</p> <p>This bill would authorize a project, to the extent that the project is required to mitigate transportation impacts under CEQA, to satisfy the mitigation requirement by electing to contribute an unspecified amount of money for each vehicle mile traveled to the Transit-Oriented Development Implementation Fund for the purposes of the Transit-Oriented Development Implementation Program. The bill would require, upon appropriation by the Legislature, the contributions to be available to the department to fund developments located in the same region, as defined, with preference given to specified projects.</p>	3/25/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1244">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1244</a>	

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A.B.1403: Emergency services.	<p>Existing law, the Emergency Medical Services System and the Prehospital Emergency Medical Care Personnel Act, governs local emergency medical services (EMS) systems, authorizes each county to develop an EMS program and designate a local EMS agency, and requires the Emergency Medical Services Authority to receive plans for the implementation of EMS systems from local EMS agencies, as specified. Existing law requires a county to enter into a written agreement with a city or fire district that contracted for or provided prehospital EMS as of June 1, 1980. Existing law requires, until that written agreement is reached, prehospital EMS to be continued at not less than the existing level and the administration of prehospital EMS by cities and fire districts contracting for or providing those services as of June 1, 1980, to be retained by those cities and fire districts, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would authorize a county board of supervisors or the governing body of an entity or a joint powers agency designated as the local EMS agency by the board of supervisors to provide ambulance services to persons located within the county's jurisdiction by specified means, including assigning the duty of providing ambulance services to residents of the county to an existing county department and providing the department with the necessary staffing, vehicles, and equipment to provide ambulance services.</p> <p>The bill would require a county board of supervisors or a local EMS agency to adopt a written policy, including specified requirements, for an emergency ambulance services provider in order to enter into a contract with a provider for emergency ambulance services and would include required provisions for those contracts.</p> <p>The bill would make related findings and declarations.</p>	3/25/2025	Re-referred to E.M.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1403">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1403</a>	
A.B.1168: Department of Transportation: transferred property: City of Lynwood.	<p>Existing law vests the Department of Transportation with full possession and control of all state highways and all property and rights on property acquired for state highway purposes. Various provisions of existing law specifically provide for the acquisition, transfer, and use of property owned by the department.</p> <p>This bill would, with respect to a parcel that the department transferred to the City of Lynwood, require the department to release and remove the deed restriction that it imposed on that parcel that requires a portion of the property to be used exclusively for public purposes for a period of 15 years from the recorded date of the deed.</p> <p>This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the City of Lynwood.</p>	4/8/2025	In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1168">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1168</a>	

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A.B.1379: Vehicles: speed safety system pilot program.	Existing law authorizes, until January 1, 2032, the Cities of Los Angeles, San Jose, Oakland, Glendale, and Long Beach, and the City and County of San Francisco to establish a speed safety system pilot program if the system meets specified requirements. Existing law requires a participating city or city and county to adopt a Speed Safety System Use Policy and a Speed Safety System Impact Report before implementing the program, and requires the participating city or city and county to engage in a public information campaign at least 30 days before implementation of the program, including information relating to when the systems would begin detecting violations and where the systems would be utilized. This bill would expand the list of cities authorized to establish a speed safety system pilot program as described above to include the City of Sacramento. This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the City of Sacramento.	3/25/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1379">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1379</a>	
A.B.1323: County employees' retirement: administration: Orange County.	Existing law, the County Employees Retirement Law of 1937, authorizes counties to establish retirement systems pursuant to its provisions in order to provide pension benefits to county, city, and district employees and their beneficiaries. Existing law sets forth the membership composition for boards of retirement and boards of investment, as specified. Existing law authorizes the board of supervisors for counties for which these provisions apply to provide that certain members of these boards shall receive compensation at a rate of not more than \$100 for a meeting or for a meeting of a committee authorized by the entire board. This bill would authorize the above-described compensation rate to be increased by the board of retirement, for members in Orange County only, to not more than \$320 per meeting. This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for Orange County.	3/25/2025	Re-referred to P. Committee on Elections and Redistricting	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1323">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1323</a>	

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S.B.34: Air pollution: South Coast Air Quality Management District: mobile sources: public seaports.	<p>Existing law generally designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency with the primary responsibility for the control of vehicular air pollution, and air pollution control districts and air quality management districts with the primary responsibility for the control of air pollution from all sources other than vehicular sources. Existing law authorizes air districts to adopt and implement regulations to reduce or mitigate emissions from indirect sources of air pollution.</p> <p>Existing law provides for the creation of the South Coast Air Quality Management District in those portions of the Counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, and San Bernardino included within the area of the South Coast Air Basin, as specified. Existing law requires the district to adopt rules and regulations to carry out the south coast district air quality management plan that are not in conflict with state and federal laws and rules and regulations and requires those rules and regulations to provide for indirect source controls under certain circumstances.</p> <p>This bill would, until January 1, 2036, prohibit the district from adopting, considering adopting, or requiring that any local agency or city enforce any regulation or indirect source rule to address pollution from any mobile source that is already subject to regulation by the state board and that is associated with an operation at any public seaport or marine terminal facility at a public seaport. The bill would, until January 1, 2036, authorize specified entities, including the district, to enter into a voluntary agreement to address pollution from any mobile source associated with an operation at any public seaport or marine terminal facility at a public seaport if the voluntary agreement meets specified requirements.</p>	3/28/2025	April 2 set for first hearing canceled at the request of author.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B34">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B34</a>	

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S.B.358: Mitigation Fee Act: mitigating vehicular traffic impacts.	<p>Existing law, the Mitigation Fee Act, imposes various requirements with respect to the establishment, increase, or imposition of a fee by a local agency as a condition of approval of a development project. Existing law requires a local agency that imposes a fee on a housing development for the purpose of mitigating vehicular traffic impacts to set the rate for that fee to reflect a lower rate of automobile trip generation associated with such housing developments in comparison with housing developments without prescribed characteristics, unless the local agency adopts findings after a public hearing establishing that the housing development, even with those characteristics, would not generate fewer automobile trips than a housing development without those specified characteristics. For purposes of these provisions, existing law specifies one of those characteristics is that the housing development provides either the minimum number of parking spaces required by the local ordinance, or no more than one onsite parking space for zero- to 2-bedroom units, and 2 onsite parking spaces for 3 or more bedroom units, whichever is less.</p> <p>For purposes of a local agency setting the rate for a mitigating vehicular traffic impacts fee, this bill would delete the provision about adopting findings after a public hearing and would, instead, require the rate for housing developments that satisfy those specified characteristics be at least 50% less than the rate for housing developments without all of those characteristics. With regard to the above-described characteristic, the bill would, instead, specify that the housing development provides no more than one onsite parking space for zero- to 2-bedroom units, and 2 onsite parking spaces for 3 or more bedroom units.</p> <p>By imposing a mandate on local agencies that approve housing development projects with regard to impact fees, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.</p>	3/24/2025	Set for hearing April 23.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B358">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B358</a>	

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S.B.549: Second Neighborhood Infill Finance and Transit Improvements Act.	<p>Existing law authorizes the legislative body of a city or a county, defined to include a city and county, to establish an enhanced infrastructure financing district to finance public capital facilities or other specified projects of communitywide significance, as provided. Existing law provides for the preparation of a proposed infrastructure financing plan, as provided, which takes effect upon adoption by the public financing authority of the district following a specified public hearing and protest procedure. Existing law authorizes the infrastructure financing plan to provide for the division of taxes levied on taxable property in the area included within the district, as specified, and authorizes the public financing authority to issue bonds by adopting a resolution containing specified provisions, including a determination of the amount of tax revenue available or estimated to be available for the payment of the principal of, and interest on, the bonds.</p> <p>Existing law, the Second Neighborhood Infill Finance and Transit Improvements Act, or NIFTI-2, authorizes a city, county, or city and county to adopt a resolution, at any time before or after the adoption of the infrastructure financing plan for an enhanced infrastructure financing district, to allocate tax revenues of that entity to the district, including revenues derived from local sales and use taxes imposed pursuant to the Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law or transactions and use taxes imposed in accordance with the Transactions and Use Tax Law, if certain conditions are met, including that the boundaries of the enhanced infrastructure financing district are coterminous with the city or county that established the district.</p> <p>This bill would revise NIFTI-2 to instead authorize, for resolutions adopted under that act's provisions on or after January 1, 2026, a city, county, or city and county to adopt a resolution, at any time before or after the adoption of the infrastructure financing plan for an enhanced infrastructure financing district, to allocate property tax revenues, and to remove the authorization for adoption of a resolution that allocates revenues derived from local sales and use taxes imposed pursuant to the Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law or transactions and use taxes. The bill would also repeal the condition that the boundaries of the enhanced infrastructure financing district are coterminous with the city or county that established the district.</p>	3/24/2025	Set for hearing May 7.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B549">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B549</a>	
S.B.2: Low-carbon fuel standard: regulations.	<p>The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 establishes the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases. The act requires the state board to adopt rules and regulations to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emissions reductions to ensure that the statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 40% below the statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit, as defined, no later than December 31, 2030. Pursuant to the act, the state board has adopted the Low-Carbon Fuel Standard regulations.</p> <p>This bill would void specified amendments to the Low-Carbon Fuel Standard regulations adopted by the state board on November 8, 2024, or as subsequently adopted, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.</p>	3/19/2025	March 19 set for first hearing. Failed passage in committee. (Ayes 3. Noes 2.) Reconsideration granted.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B2">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B2</a>	

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A.B.340: Employer-employee relations: confidential communications.	Existing law that governs the labor relations of public employees and employers, including, among others, the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act, the Ralph C. Dills Act, provisions relating to public schools, and provisions relating to higher education, prohibits employers from taking certain actions relating to employee organization, including imposing or threatening to impose reprisals on employees, discriminating or threatening to discriminate against employees, or otherwise interfering with, restraining, or coercing employees because of their exercise of their guaranteed rights. Those provisions of existing law further prohibit denying to employee organizations the rights guaranteed to them by existing law. This bill would prohibit a public employer from questioning a public employee, a representative of a recognized employee organization, or an exclusive representative regarding communications made in confidence between an employee and an employee representative in connection with representation relating to any matter within the scope of the recognized employee organization's representation. The bill would also prohibit a public employer from compelling a public employee, a representative of a recognized employee organization, or an exclusive representative to disclose those confidential communications to a third party. The bill would not apply to a criminal investigation or when a public safety officer is under investigation and certain circumstances exist.	3/19/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations (Ayes 6. Noes 0.) (March 19). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB340">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB340</a>	

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A.B.538: Public works: payroll records.	<p>Existing law requires the Labor Commissioner to investigate allegations that a contractor or subcontractor violated the law regulating public works projects, including the payment of prevailing wages. Existing law requires each contractor and subcontractor on a public works project to keep accurate payroll records, showing the name, address, social security number, work classification, straight time and overtime hours worked each day and week, and the actual per diem wages paid to each journeyman, apprentice, worker, or other employee employed by the contractor or subcontractor in connection with the public work. Existing law requires certified copies of records to be available upon request by the public and sets forth a process for the public to request the records either through the awarding body or the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement. Existing law makes any contractor, subcontractor, agent, or representative who neglects to comply with the requirements to keep accurate payroll records guilty of a misdemeanor.</p> <p>This bill would require the awarding body, if a request is made by the public through the awarding body and the body is not in possession of the certified records, to obtain those records from the relevant contractor and make them available to the requesting entity. The bill would authorize the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement to enforce certain penalties if a contractor fails to comply with the awarding body's request within 10 days of receipt of the notice. To the extent that this bill would impose additional duties on any contractor, subcontractor, agent, or representative, the bill would expand the scope of a crime and impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement. This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	3/19/2025	From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Committee on Appropriations (Ayes 6. Noes 0.) (March 19). Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB538">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB538</a>	

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A.B.975: California Environmental Quality Act: lake and streambed alteration agreements: exemptions: culverts and bridges.	<p>(1)Existing law prohibits a person, a state or local governmental agency, or a public utility from substantially diverting or obstructing the natural flow of, or substantially changing or using any material from the bed, channel, or bank of, any river, stream, or lake, or depositing or disposing of debris, waste, or other material containing crumbled, flaked, or ground pavement where it may pass into any river, stream, or lake, unless prescribed requirements are met, including written notification to the Department of Fish and Wildlife regarding the activity. Existing law requires the department to determine whether the activity may substantially adversely affect an existing fish and wildlife resource and, if so, to provide a draft lake or streambed alteration agreement to the person, agency, or utility. Existing law prescribes various requirements for lake and streambed alteration agreements. Existing law also establishes various exemptions from these provisions. This bill would exempt from these provisions emergency projects undertaken, carried out, or approved by a state or local government agency to maintain, repair, restore, or reconstruct a bridge 30 feet long or less or reconstruct a culvert 70 feet long or less, that has been damaged as a result of fire, flood, storm, earthquake, land subsidence, gradual earth movement, or landslide, within one year of the damage.</p> <p>(2)The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment.</p> <p>This bill would provide an exemption from CEQA those projects or actions taken for the installation, maintenance, repair, or replacement of culverts and those projects or actions taken for the repair or replacement of a bridge with a span of 200 feet or less.</p> <p>Because the bill would require a local agency to determine the applicability of the above exemptions, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs</p>	3/19/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB975">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB975</a>	

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A.B.87: Housing development: density bonuses: mixed-use developments: short-term rentals.	<p>Existing law, commonly referred to as the Density Bonus Law, requires a city or county to provide a developer that proposes a housing development within the city or county with a density bonus and other incentives or concessions, as specified, if the developer agrees to construct, among other options, specified percentages of units for lower income households or very low income households, and meets other requirements. Existing law defines "housing development," for these purposes, to mean a development project for 5 or more residential units, including mixed-use developments.</p> <p>This bill would define "mixed-use development" for purposes of the Density Bonus Law to mean a development with at least 70% of the square footage of a proposed development designated for residential uses and no square footage of the development designated for use as a hotel, motel, bed and breakfast inn, or other visitor-serving purposes. The bill would also prohibit an applicant from being eligible for a density bonus or any other incentives or concessions under the Density Bonus Law, unless the applicant agrees to, and the city, county, or city and county ensures, the commitment to record a land use restriction or covenant providing that a unit of development may not be listed as a short-term rental unit, as defined. By imposing these requirements on local agencies with respect to density bonuses, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>This bill would also make related conforming changes to various other laws to update cross-references to the Density Bonus Law.</p> <p>The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	3/18/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Housing and Community Development	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB87">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB87</a>	

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S.B.80: Energy: Fusion Research and Development Innovation Hub Program.	<p>Existing law establishes the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, with various responsibilities with respect to developing and implementing the state’s energy policies. Existing law requires, as part of the 2027 edition of the integrated energy policy report, the commission to include an assessment of the potential for fusion energy to contribute to California’s power supply. Existing law requires the commission to carry out technical assessment studies on all forms of energy, including, among others, advanced nuclear powerplant concepts, fusion, and fuel cells.</p> <p>This bill would create the Fusion Research and Development Innovation Hub Program within the commission to accelerate the development and growth of fusion energy by advancing fusion science and technology with the goal of delivering the world’s first fusion energy pilot plant in the state in the 2030s. The bill would require, among other things, the commission to designate fusion research and development innovation hubs representing the geographical regions of southern California, the central valley, and the San Francisco Bay area.</p> <p>This bill would require the commission to administer the program using moneys in the Fusion Research and Development Fund, which the bill would establish in the State Treasury, to provide grants to hubs designated pursuant to the bill for the purpose of accelerating the deployment of new research and technology capabilities that support the commercialization of fusion energy. The bill would make the implementation of its provisions contingent upon an appropriation by the Legislature for the program.</p>	3/18/2025	Re-referred to E., U & C.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB80">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB80</a>	
S.B.268: Income taxes: gross income exclusions: state of emergency: natural disaster settlements.	<p>The Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law, in conformity with federal income tax law, generally defines gross income as income from whatever source derived, except as specifically excluded, and provides various exclusions from gross income.</p> <p>This bill, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2025, would provide an exclusion from gross income for amounts received from a settlement entity, as defined, by a qualified taxpayer, as defined, to replace property damaged or destroyed by a natural disaster that was declared a state of emergency by the Governor. Existing law requires a bill authorizing a new tax expenditure to contain, among other things, specific goals, purposes, and objectives the tax expenditure will achieve, detailed performance indicators, and data collection requirements.</p> <p>This bill would include additional information required for any bill authorizing a new tax expenditure.</p> <p>This bill would take effect immediately as a tax levy.</p>	3/18/2025	Set for hearing May 14.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB268">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB268</a>	

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S.B.713: Employee stock ownership plans: contractors: certification.	Existing law creates within the Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development the Office of Small Business Advocate in order to advocate the causes of small business and to provide small businesses with the information they need to survive in the marketplace to be led by the Small Business Advocate. The California Employee Ownership Act requires, upon appropriation by the Legislature, the Office of Small Business Advocate to establish the California Employee Ownership Hub (hub) and to appoint an Employee Ownership Hub Manager (manager) to administer the hub. The act authorizes the manager to be responsible for certain duties, including working with all California state agencies whose regulations and programs affect employee-owned companies, and businesses with the potential to become employee-owned, to enhance opportunities and reduce barriers. This bill would require the Director of General Services to issue an employee stock ownership plan (ESOP) contractor certificate to a qualified contractor, as defined, with an ESOP that meets certain criteria, including that at least an unspecified percentage of the qualified contractor’s employees participate in the ESOP, as specified. The bill would additionally authorize the manager to be responsible for compiling and maintaining a comprehensive bidders list of qualified contractors that have received that certificate from the Director of General Services. The bill would also require, beginning January 1, 2027, the Department of Transportation to ensure that an unspecified percentage of state funded construction contracts and construction-related procurements involve contractors who have received that certificate.	3/18/2025	Set for hearing April 21.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB713">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB713</a>	
A.B.1207: Climate change: market-based compliance mechanism: price ceiling.	The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases and requires the state board to ensure that statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 40% below the 1990 level by 2030. The act, until January 1, 2031, authorizes the state board to adopt a regulation establishing a system of market-based declining aggregate emissions limits for sources or categories of sources that emit greenhouse gases (market-based compliance mechanism) that meets certain requirements. Existing law requires the state board, in adopting the regulation to, among other things, establish a price ceiling for emission allowances sold by the state board. Existing law requires the state board, in establishing the price ceiling, to consider specified factors, including the full social cost associated with emitting a metric ton of greenhouse gases. This bill would require the state board to instead consider the full social cost associated with emitting a metric ton of greenhouse gases, as determined by the United States Environmental Protection Agency in November 2023.	3/18/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1207">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1207</a>	

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A.B.1430: County recorders: fees.	<p>Existing law establishes the office of county recorder and requires the county recorder to accept for recordation any instrument, paper, or notice that is authorized or required to be recorded, subject to the collection of specified fees. Existing law prohibits the fee for recording and indexing an instrument, paper, or notice from exceeding \$10 for recording the first page and \$3 for each additional page, which charges are to reimburse the county for the costs of services rendered. Existing law requires \$1 of each \$3 fee for each additional page to be deposited in the county general fund.</p> <p>This bill would set the fee for recording and indexing at \$15 for recording the first page and \$4 for each additional page, but would prohibit the fees from exceeding the reasonable costs of the county recorder’s office for providing these services. The bill would provide that these funds are to be dedicated to, and solely utilized for, the county recorder’s office, as specified. The bill would delete the provision requiring \$1 of each \$3 fee for each additional page to be deposited in the county general fund.</p> <p>Existing law specifies that \$1 for recording the first page and \$1 for each additional page shall be available solely to support, maintain, improve, and provide for the full operation for modernized creation, retention, and retrieval of information in each county’s system of recorded documents.</p> <p>This bill would increase the \$1 amount for each additional page to \$3.</p> <p>Existing law authorizes the county board of supervisors to provide for an additional fee of \$1 for each instrument, paper, or notice of record to order to defray the cost of converting the county recorder’s document storage system to micrographics. Existing law, until January 1, 2026, authorizes the \$1 fee to also be used for restoration and preservation of the county recorder’s permanent archival microfilm, to implement and fund a county recorder archive program, or to implement and maintain or utilize a trusted system for the permanent preservation of recorded document images.</p> <p>This bill would delete the January 1, 2026, repeal date, thereby making these provisions operative indefinitely. The bill would replace a reference to “archival microfilm” with “archival mediums” and would repeal related provisions. The bill would include related legislative findings concerning county recorder fees.</p> <p>By imposing new duties on counties relative to recording fees, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p>	3/18/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Local Government	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1430">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1430</a>	
S.B.752: Sales and use taxes: exemptions: California Hybrid and Zero-Emission Truck and Bus Voucher Incentive Project: transit buses.	<p>Existing state sales and use tax laws impose a tax on retailers measured by the gross receipts from the sale of tangible personal property sold at retail in this state or on the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of tangible personal property purchased from a retailer for storage, use, or other consumption in this state. The Sales and Use Tax Law provides various exemptions from those taxes, including, until January 1, 2026, an exemption from those taxes with respect to the sale in this state of, and the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of, specified zero-emission technology transit buses sold to specified public agencies that are eligible for specified incentives from the State Air Resources Board.</p> <p>This bill would extend the exemption for specified zero-emission technology transit buses until January 1, 2028.</p> <p>This bill would take effect immediately as a tax levy.</p>	3/18/2025	Set for hearing May 14.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB752">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB752</a>	

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A.B.555: Air resources: regulatory impacts: transportation fuel costs.	Existing law vests the state board with the authority to regulate transportation fuels and requires the state board to adopt standards and regulations providing for specification for vehicular fuel composition to achieve the maximum degree of emission reduction possible from vehicular sources to attain the state air quality standards. This bill would require the state board, on a quarterly basis, to submit to the relevant policy committees of the Legislature a report providing data and describing the impacts of its regulations of transportation fuels on the prices of those fuel to California consumers.	3/17/2025	Referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB555">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB555</a>	
A.B.780: Disability access: construction-related accessibility claims: notice of violation and opportunity to correct.	Existing law prohibits discrimination on the basis of various specified personal characteristics, including disability. Existing law imposes minimum statutory damages for construction-related accessibility claims if the violation of a construction-related accessibility standard denied the plaintiff full and equal access to the place of public accommodation on a particular occasion, as specified. Existing law imposes various limits on a defendant's liability for statutory damages under specified sets of conditions, including if the defendant, among other things, corrects the construction-related violations within a specified time. This bill would prohibit a construction-related accessibility claim for statutory damages from being initiated in a legal proceeding against a defendant who employs 50 or fewer individuals, as specified, unless the defendant has been served with a letter specifying each alleged violation, and the alleged violations have not been corrected within 120 days of service of the letter. The bill would provide that a defendant is not liable for statutory damages, plaintiff's attorney's fees, or costs for an alleged violation that is corrected within 120 days of service of a letter alleging the violation. The bill would also prohibit a plaintiff from avoiding the notice and opportunity to correct provisions and the liability limitations by claiming they are seeking general discrimination damages based on a violation of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 if the underlying claim is based on a defendant's failure to comply with physical accessibility standards under California law.	3/17/2025	Referred to Committee on Judiciary	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB780">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB780</a>	

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A.B.902: Transportation planning and programming: barriers to wildlife movement.	<p>Existing law requires certain transportation planning agencies to prepare and adopt regional transportation plans directed at achieving a coordinated and balanced regional transportation system. Existing law requires that each regional transportation plan include a sustainable communities strategy prepared by each metropolitan planning organization in order to, among other things, achieve certain regional targets established by the State Air Resources Board for the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions from automobiles and light trucks in the region for 2020 and 2035, respectively.</p> <p>This bill would require the regional transportation plan or sustainable communities strategy, upon the adoption or next revision on or after January 1, 2028, to, among other things, identify and analyze connectivity areas, permeability, and natural landscape areas that are partially or fully within the region of the metropolitan planning organization or transportation planning agency, and consider the impacts of development and the barriers caused by transportation infrastructure and development to wildlife and habitat connectivity. The bill would also require metropolitan planning organizations and regional transportation agencies, in implementing those requirements, to, among other things, incorporate appropriate standards, policies, and feasible implementation programs, consult with certain entities, and consider relevant best available science as appropriate. By imposing additional duties on local entities, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The bill would authorize metropolitan planning organizations and regional transportation agencies, in implementing the above-described requirements, to consult with specified entities and incorporate relevant information, guidelines, and standards from specified sources.</p> <p>Under existing law, the Department of Fish and Wildlife (DFW) has jurisdiction over the conservation, protection, and management of fish, wildlife, native plants, and habitat necessary for biologically sustainable populations of those species. Existing law authorizes DFW to approve compensatory mitigation credits for wildlife connectivity actions taken under specified programs.</p> <p>This bill would require regional transportation agencies, in consultation with DFW, to perform an assessment, containing specified information, to identify potential wildlife connectivity barriers and any needs for improved permeability regarding any specified transportation infrastructure project located in a connectivity area</p>	3/17/2025	Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and Committee on Local Government	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB902">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB902</a>	

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A.B.1423: Transportation electrification: charging station uptime: regulations: violations.	<p>Existing law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission), in consultation with the Public Utilities Commission, to develop uptime recordkeeping and reporting standards for electric vehicle chargers and charging stations. Existing law requires that the uptime recordkeeping and reporting standards only apply to electric vehicle chargers and charging stations that received an incentive from a state agency or through a charge on ratepayers, apply for a minimum of 6 years, and apply to electric vehicle chargers and charging stations installed on or after January 1, 2024.</p> <p>This bill would delete the latter requirement. The bill would instead require, for electric vehicle chargers and charging stations that received an incentive from a state agency or through a charge on ratepayers, the uptime recordkeeping and reporting standards to apply for a minimum of 6 years unless the Energy Commission decides a longer time span is more appropriate.</p> <p>Existing law requires the Energy Commission, in consultation with the Public Utilities Commission, to adopt tools to increase charging station uptime, as provided, and, by January 1, 2025, set standards for how specified charging stations are required to notify customers about the availability and accessibility of publicly available charging infrastructure.</p> <p>This bill would instead require the Energy Commission, in consultation with the Public Utilities Commission, to adopt tools to increase uptime for all charging stations and set standards for how all charging stations are required to notify customers about the availability and accessibility of publicly available charging infrastructure. The bill would authorize the Energy Commission to adopt regulations establishing an administrative enforcement process for a violation of a regulation adopted pursuant to that requirement and for the assessment of an administrative civil penalty not to exceed \$2,500 for each violation, as provided. The bill would also authorize the Energy Commission, if it finds that a violation of specified regulations has occurred or is threatening to occur, to refer the matter to the Attorney General to petition a court to enjoin the violation. The bill would authorize the court to grant prohibitory or mandatory injunctive relief and assess a civil penalty, as provided. The bill would require that those penalties and other costs be deposited into the General Fund.</p>	4/2/2025	In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1423">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1423</a>	

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A.B.1343: Local alternative transportation improvement program: Feather River crossing.	Existing law vests the Department of Transportation with full possession and control of the state highway system and associated property. Existing law generally requires proceeds from the sale of excess state highway property to be made available for other highway purposes. Existing law generally requires the California Transportation Commission to program available funding for transportation capital projects, other than state highway rehabilitation projects, through the State Transportation Improvement Program process, with available funds subject to various fair share distribution formulas. Existing law, in certain cases, requires the commission to instead reallocate funds from canceled state highway projects to a local alternative transportation improvement program within the same county and exempts those funds from the fair share distribution formulas that would otherwise apply. This bill, with respect to planned state transportation facilities over the Feather River in the City of Yuba City and the Counties of Sutter and Yuba, which facilities are no longer planned to be constructed, would authorize the affected local agencies, acting jointly with the transportation planning agency having jurisdiction, to develop and file with the commission a local alternative transportation improvement program that addresses transportation problems and opportunities in the area that was to be served by the planned state facilities. The bill would require the commission to have the final authority regarding the content and approval of the local alternative transportation improvement program, and would prohibit the commission from approving the local alternative transportation improvement program after July 1, 2030. The bill would require all proceeds from the sale of excess properties acquired by the department for the canceled state facilities, less any reimbursements due to the federal government and costs incurred in the sale of those excess properties, to be allocated by the commission to the approved local alternative transportation improvement program and would exempt those funds from the fair share distribution formulas that would otherwise apply to state transportation funds.	3/17/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1343">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1343</a>	

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A.B.1141: Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District: board of directors: election: compensation.	<p>Existing law establishes procedures for the formation of the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District and specifies the powers and duties of the transit district. Existing law vests the government of the district in a board of directors comprised of 7 directors, one from each ward, and 2 elected at large. Existing law requires a nomination paper for a candidate seeking election to a directorship to be signed by 50 voters, if seeking to be elected by ward, and by 100 voters, if seeking to be elected at large. Existing law provides 4-year terms for directors, as specified. Existing law contains obsolete requirements governing the term lengths for directors elected at the initial election following the formation of the district.</p> <p>This bill would eliminate directors at large and would instead require all 7 directors to be elected from wards. The bill would specify the terms of office for the directors elected at the November 3, 2026, and November 7, 2028, statewide general elections. The bill would repeal the obsolete provisions governing the initial election. To the extent this bill would increase the district's duties, it would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>Existing law authorizes compensation of no more than \$1,000 per month for each director and authorizes the board of directors to adjust this monthly compensation based upon the percentage increase in the California Consumer Price Index for each calendar year following the operative date of the last adjustment, as provided. Existing law prohibits the adjustment from becoming effective until the next regular election of the directors following adoption of the adjustment.</p> <p>This bill instead would authorize the board to adjust the monthly compensation based upon the percentage increase in the California Consumer Price Index for the previous calendar year. The bill instead would prohibit the adjustment from becoming effective until the first day of the new fiscal year following adoption of the adjustment.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.</p>	3/13/2025	Referred to Coms. on Committee on Local Government and TRANS.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1141">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1141</a>	
A.B.1421: Vehicles: Road Usage Charge Technical Advisory Committee.	<p>Existing law requires the Chair of the California Transportation Commission to create a Road Usage Charge Technical Advisory Committee in consultation with the Secretary of Transportation to guide the development and evaluation of a pilot program assessing the potential for mileage-based revenue collection as an alternative to the gas tax system. Existing law additionally requires the Transportation Agency, in consultation with the commission, to implement the pilot program, as specified. Existing law repeals these provisions on January 1, 2027.</p> <p>This bill would extend the operation of the above-described provisions until January 1, 2035. The bill would also make related findings and declaration.</p>	3/13/2025	Referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1421">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1421</a>	

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A.B.1222: Public utilities: judicial review.	<p>Existing law authorizes a party aggrieved by a decision or order of the Public Utilities Commission to file a petition for a writ of review in the court of appeal or the Supreme Court for purposes of reviewing the decision or order within 30 days after the commission issues its decision denying the application for a rehearing, or, if the application was granted, within 30 days after the commission issues its decision on the rehearing, or at least 120 days after the application is granted if no decision on rehearing has been issued.</p> <p>This bill would extend the 30-day time periods to 90 days. For a petition challenging a final decision of the commission in which the final decision significantly modifies the proposed decision issued in the proceeding, the bill would require the court to presume the proposed decision to be valid and lawful and to issue the writ unless the commission rebuts the presumption to the satisfaction of the court in justifying the final decision.</p> <p>Existing law authorizes the commission to fix the rates and charges for public utilities, including electrical corporations, and requires those rates to be just and reasonable.</p> <p>This bill would prohibit the commission from authorizing electrical corporations to recover from their ratepayers the costs associated with seeking judicial review of a commission's decision from a federal agency, or a state or federal court. The bill would require the electrical corporation to track those costs.</p> <p>Under existing law, a violation of the Public Utilities Act or any order, decision, rule, direction, demand, or requirement of the commission is a crime.</p> <p>Because the above provisions would be part of the act and a violation of a commission action implementing this bill's requirements would be a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	4/2/2025	In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1222">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1222</a>	

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A.B.1305: Air pollution control and air quality management districts: permit information: internet website.	<p>Existing law designates air pollution control districts and air quality management districts as having the primary responsibility for the control of air pollution from all sources other than vehicular sources, and, subject to the powers and duties of the State Air Resources Board, requires that air districts adopt and enforce rules and regulations to achieve and maintain the state and federal ambient air quality standards in all areas affected by emission sources under their jurisdiction.</p> <p>Existing law requires the board of each air district to establish by regulation a system by which all reductions in the emission of air contaminants that are to be used to offset certain future increases in the emission of air contaminants be banked as credits prior to use to offset future increases in emissions, except as specified.</p> <p>Existing law establishes the Office of Data and Innovation within the Government Operations Agency for the purpose of delivering better government services to the people of California through technology and service innovation, data, and design.</p> <p>This bill would require each air district, for all active permits required for equipment or processes that may release or control air pollutants and that require or required the use of one or more emission reduction credits, to use a template developed by the Office of Data and Innovation to make publicly available on its internet website a map of permitted facilities containing specified information regarding those permits. The bill would require the Office of Data and Innovation to consult with local community groups when determining how best to design the template so that air district permit information is presented in a specified manner. By adding to the duties of these districts, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	3/13/2025	Referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1305">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1305</a>	

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S.B.252: California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: underground powerlines.	The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. This bill would exempt from the provisions of CEQA a project to underground powerlines. Because a lead agency would be required to determine if a project qualifies for this exemption, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement. This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.	3/25/2025	April 2 set for second hearing canceled at the request of author.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B252">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B252</a>	
S.B.714: Zero-emission vehicles: workforce development: Clean Energy Workforce Training Council.	Existing law, upon appropriation by the Legislature, establishes the position of Deputy Secretary for Climate within the Labor and Workforce Development Agency, to be appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate, for the purpose of assisting in the oversight of California's workforce transition to a sustainable and equitable carbon-neutral economy. Existing law requires the deputy secretary to perform specified duties, including creating or coordinating programs with other state agencies to retrain and upskill workers for, among other jobs, clean energy jobs, as specified. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would establish a zero-emission vehicle workforce development pilot project and a Clean Energy Workforce Training Council, as provided.	3/12/2025	Referred to Committee on Rules	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B714">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B714</a>	

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A.B.939: The Safe, Sustainable, Traffic-Reducing Transportation Bond Act of 2026.	<p>The Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006, approved by the voters as Proposition 1B at the November 7, 2006, statewide general election, authorizes the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$19,925,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law for specified purposes, including high-priority transportation corridor improvements, State Route 99 corridor enhancements, trade infrastructure and port security projects, schoolbus retrofit and replacement purposes, state transportation improvement program augmentation, transit and passenger rail improvements, state-local partnership transportation projects, transit security projects, local bridge seismic retrofit projects, highway-railroad grade separation and crossing improvement projects, state highway safety and rehabilitation projects, local street and road improvement, congestion relief, and traffic safety.</p> <p>This bill would enact the Safe, Sustainable, Traffic-Reducing Transportation Bond Act of 2026 which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$20,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance transit and passenger rail improvements, local streets and roads and active transportation projects, zero-emission vehicle investments, transportation freight infrastructure improvements, and grade separations and other critical safety improvements.</p> <p>The bill would provide for the submission of the bond act to the voters at the November 3, 2026, statewide general election.</p>	3/10/2025	Referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB939">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB939</a>	Support

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A.B.861: Community colleges: students: public transportation: Los Angeles Community College District.	<p>Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges, under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, as one of the segments of public postsecondary education in this state. Existing law creates the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (“LA Metro”) with specified powers and duties relative to transportation planning, programming, and operations in the County of Los Angeles.</p> <p>This bill would establish the LA Metro Los Angeles Community College GoPass and Student Ambassador Program to promote the use of public transportation by students enrolled at a campus of the Los Angeles Community College District by (1) providing all students with a free transit pass to access the public transportation services provided by LA Metro, and (2) establishing a student ambassador program within LA Metro where students assist with security, rider assistance, and facility upkeep on LA Metro rail and bus lines serving campuses of the Los Angeles Community College District. The bill would require the Los Angeles Community College District to submit an annual report to the Department of Finance and the budget committees of the Assembly and Senate that includes specified information about the transit pass program and the student ambassador program. By imposing additional duties on the Los Angeles Community College District and LA Metro, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>This bill would appropriate \$2,500,000 from the General Fund to the Los Angeles Community College District and LA Metro to develop and implement the free transit pass program and the student ambassador program, respectively. The funds appropriated by the bill would be applied toward the minimum funding requirements for school districts and community college districts imposed by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution.</p> <p>This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Los Angeles Community College District and Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority. The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to the statutory provisions noted above.</p>	4/8/2025	In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB861">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB861</a>	

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A.B.1058: Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Law: suspension of tax.	Existing law, the Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Law, imposes a tax upon each gallon of motor vehicle fuel removed from a refinery or terminal rack in this state, entered into this state, or sold in this state, at a specified rate per gallon. Existing unfair competition laws establish a statutory cause of action for unfair competition, including any unlawful, unfair, or fraudulent business act or practice and unfair, deceptive, untrue, or misleading advertising and acts prohibited by false advertisement laws. This bill would suspend the imposition of the tax on motor vehicle fuels for one year. The bill would require that all savings realized based on the suspension of the motor vehicle fuels tax by a person other than an end consumer, as defined, be passed on to the end consumer, and would make the violation of this requirement an unfair business practice, in violation of unfair competition laws, as provided. The bill would require a seller of motor vehicle fuels to provide a receipt to a purchaser that indicates the amount of tax that would have otherwise applied to the transaction. This bill would also direct the Controller to transfer a specified amount from the General Fund to the Motor Vehicle Fuel Account in the Transportation Tax Fund. By transferring General Fund moneys to a continuously appropriated account, this bill would make an appropriation. This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.	3/10/2025	Referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1058">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1058</a>	
A.B.1114: Emergency vehicles: fee and toll exemptions.	Existing law exempts from the fees imposed under the Vehicle Code, except as specified, any vehicle owned by a public fire department organized as a nonprofit corporation or a voluntary fire department and used exclusively for firefighting or rescue purposes or exclusively as an ambulance. Existing law also provides for the exemption of authorized emergency vehicles from the payment of a toll or charge on a vehicular crossing, toll highway, or high-occupancy toll (HOT) lane and any related fines, when the authorized emergency vehicle is being driven under specified conditions, including, among others, the vehicle is displaying an exempt license plate and a public agency identification, such as "Police." This bill would extend the exemption from fees imposed under the Vehicle Code to a vehicle owned by a public or private entity used as an authorized emergency vehicle, as defined. The bill would include in the exemption of an authorized emergency vehicle exempt from the payment of a toll or charge a vehicle displaying an exempt license plate and emergency identification, including, but not limited to, "Ambulance."	4/2/2025	In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1114">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1114</a>	
A.B.1290: High-Speed Rail Authority: Senate confirmation.	Existing law creates the High-Speed Rail Authority with specified powers and duties relative to development and implementation of a high-speed train system. The authority is composed of 11 members, including 5 voting members appointed by the Governor, 4 voting members appointed by the Legislature, and 2 nonvoting legislative members. This bill would require that the members of the authority appointed by the Governor be subject to appointment with the advice and consent of the Senate.	3/10/2025	Referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1290">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1290</a>	

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A.B.1268: Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Law: adjustment suspension.	<p>(1)The Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Law, administered by the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration, imposes a tax upon each gallon of motor vehicle fuel removed from a refinery or terminal rack in this state, entered into this state, or sold in this state, at a specified rate per gallon. Existing law requires the department to adjust the tax on July 1 each year by a percentage amount equal to the increase in the California Consumer Price Index, as calculated by the Department of Finance.</p> <p>Article XIX of the California Constitution restricts the expenditure of revenues from the Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Law, Diesel Fuel Tax Law, and other taxes imposed by the state on fuels used in motor vehicles upon public streets and highways to street and highway and certain mass transit purposes.</p> <p>This bill would authorize the Governor to suspend an adjustment to the motor vehicle fuel tax, as described above, scheduled on or after July 1, 2025, upon making a determination that increasing the rate would impose an undue burden on low-income and middle-class families. The bill would require the Governor to notify the Legislature of an intent to suspend the rate adjustment on or before January 10 of that year, and would require the Department of Finance to submit to the Legislature a proposal by January 10 that would maintain the same level of funding for transportation purposes as would have been generated had the scheduled adjustment not been suspended.</p> <p>(2)The California Constitution provides for the establishment of the State Board of Equalization, which, before July 1, 2017, had primary responsibility for most of the state’s duties, powers, and responsibilities regarding the administration of taxes and fees. Existing law, on July 1, 2017, transferred to the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration various duties, powers, and responsibilities of the State Board of Equalization, including administration of the Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax Law and the Diesel Fuel Tax Law, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would also change references in these provisions of law from the “State Board of Equalization” to the “California Department of Tax and Fee Administration” or “department,” as applicable, to reflect the transfer of the board’s duties, powers, and responsibilities to the department.</p> <p>(3)This bill would take effect immediately as a tax levy.</p>	3/10/2025	Referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1268">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1268</a>	
A.B.1174: Clean Transportation Program: eligible programs and projects: electric vehicle charging stations: vandalism deterrence.	<p>Existing law establishes the Clean Transportation Program, administered by the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, to provide funding to certain entities to develop and deploy innovative technologies that transform California’s fuel and vehicle types to help attain the state’s climate change policies. Existing law limits funding under the program to specified categories of programs and projects. Existing law creates the Alternative and Renewable Fuel and Vehicle Technology Fund, to be administered by the commission, and requires the moneys in the fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to be expended by the commission to implement the program.</p> <p>This bill would add to the categories of programs and projects eligible for funding under the Clean Transportation Program programs and projects to deter and combat vandalism of publicly available electric vehicle charging stations.</p>	3/10/2025	Referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1174">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1174</a>	

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S.B.73: California Environmental Quality Act: exemptions.	<p>(1)The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report (EIR) on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment.</p> <p>CEQA exempts from its requirements certain residential, employment center, and mixed-use development projects meeting specified criteria, including that the project is located in a transit priority area and that the project is undertaken and is consistent with a specific plan for which an environmental impact report has been certified.</p> <p>This bill would additionally exempt those projects located in a very low vehicle travel area, as defined. The bill would require that the project is undertaken and is consistent with either a specific plan prepared pursuant to specific provisions of law or a community plan, as defined, for which an EIR has been certified within the preceding 15 years in order to be exempt. The bill would additionally require the project site to have been previously developed or to be a vacant site meeting certain requirements. Because a lead agency would be required to determine the applicability of this exemption, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>(2)CEQA exempts from its requirements agricultural employee housing projects, affordable housing projects, and housing projects on infill sites that meet certain requirements, including, among others, the site is not located within the boundaries of a state conservancy. CEQA prohibits those exempt projects from being located in certain areas.</p> <p>This bill would allow the location of agricultural employee housing projects, affordable housing projects, and housing projects on infill sites to be located within the boundaries of a state conservancy in order to be exempt. The bill would revise and recast the areas in which those exempt projects cannot be located, as provided.</p> <p>(3)CEQA exempts from its requirements residential projects on infill sites that meet certain requirements, including, among others, that the location of the residential project on an infill site is no more than 4 acres and that the project is located within</p>	3/13/2025	March 19 set for second hearing canceled at the request of author.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B73">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=2025202605B73</a>	

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A.B.590: Social Housing Bond Act of 2026.	<p>Under existing law, there are programs providing assistance for, among other things, emergency housing, multifamily housing, farmworker housing, home ownership, and downpayment assistance for first-time home buyers. Existing law also authorizes the issuance of bonds in specified amounts pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law and requires that proceeds from the sale of these bonds be used to finance various existing housing programs, capital outlay related to infill development, brownfield cleanup that promotes infill development, and housing-related parks.</p> <p>This bill would enact the Social Housing Bond Act of 2026 which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$950,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law, to fund social housing programs, as specified. The bill would create the California Housing Authority, which would be governed by the California Housing Authority Board, to ensure that social housing developments that are produced and acquired align with specified goals and would authorize the authority to issue the bonds and, upon appropriation of the Legislature, utilize funds from other sources to build more low, very low, and extremely low income housing. The bill would create the Social Housing Revolving Loan Fund to be used, upon appropriation of the Legislature, to provide zero-interest loan for the purpose of constructing housing to accommodate a mix of household incomes.</p> <p>The bill would provide for the submission of the bond act to the voters at the November 3, 2026, statewide general election.</p> <p>This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.</p>	3/3/2025	Referred to Committee on Housing and Community Development	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB590">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB590</a>	
A.B.658: Vehicles: registration fees.	<p>Existing law requires a registration fee to be paid to the Department of Motor Vehicles for the registration of each vehicle or trailer coach of a type subject to registration under the Vehicle Code, except those vehicles that are expressly exempted from the payment of registration fees.</p> <p>This bill would require the department, if there is an increase in the registration fee described above, to complete and post an affordability impact analysis on its internet website within 6 months of the date that the increase becomes effective. The bill would require the affordability impact analysis to include, among other things, the average increase in annual vehicle registration costs over the past 5 years and the total number of vehicles with delinquent registrations.</p>	3/3/2025	Referred to Committee on Transportation	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB658">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB658</a>	

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A.B.39: General plans: Local Electrification Planning Act.	<p>Existing law, the Planning and Zoning Law, requires a city or county to adopt a comprehensive general plan for the city's or county's physical development that includes various elements, including, among others, a land use element that designates the proposed general distribution and general location and extent of the uses of the land in specified categories, and a circulation element that identifies the location and extent of existing and proposed major thoroughfares, transportation routes, terminals, any military airports and ports, and other local public utilities and facilities, as specified.</p> <p>This bill, the Local Electrification Planning Act, would require each city, county, or city and county, on or after January 1, 2027, but no later than January 1, 2030, to prepare and adopt a specified plan, or integrate a plan in the next adoption or revision of the general plan, that includes locally based goals, objectives, policies, and feasible implementation measures that include, among other things, the identification of opportunities to expand electric vehicle charging, as specified, and includes policies and implementation measures that address the needs of disadvantaged communities, low-income households, and small businesses for equitable and prioritized investments in zero-emission technologies that directly benefit these groups. For these purposes, the bill would authorize a city, county, or city and county to incorporate by reference into the general plan a previously adopted similar plan that meets the above-described requirements, as specified. By increasing the duties of local public officials, the bill would establish a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The bill would deem a plan adopted pursuant to these provisions as a regional plan for specified purposes. The bill would require that the above-described provisions only apply to a city, county, or city and county with a population greater than 75,000 residents. The bill would define terms for these purposes.</p> <p>The bill would include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter of statewide concern rather than a municipal affair and, therefore, apply to all cities, including charter cities.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	2/26/2025	Re-referred to Committee on Local Government	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB39">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB39</a>	

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A.B.507: Adaptive reuse: streamlining: incentives.	<p>(1)Existing law, the Planning and Zoning Law, requires each county and city to adopt a comprehensive, long-term general plan for its physical development, and the development of certain lands outside its boundaries, that includes, among other mandatory elements, a housing element. That law allows a development proponent to submit an application for a development that is subject to a specified streamlined, ministerial approval process not subject to a conditional use permit, if the development satisfies certain objective planning standards, including that the development is a multifamily housing development that contains two or more residential units.</p> <p>This bill would deem an adaptive reuse project a use by right in all zones, regardless of the zoning of the site, and subject to a streamlined, ministerial review process if the project meets specified requirements, subject to specified exceptions. In this regard, an adaptive reuse project, in order to qualify for the streamlined, ministerial review process, would be required to be proposed for an existing building that is less than 50 years old or meets certain requirements regarding the preservation of historic resources, including the signing of an affidavit declaring that the project will comply with the United States Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation for, among other things, the preservation of exterior facades of a building that face a street, or receive federal or state historic rehabilitation tax credits, as specified. The bill would require an adaptive reuse project to meet specified affordability criteria. In this regard, the bill would require an adaptive reuse project for rental housing to include either 8% of the unit for very low income households and 5% of the units for extremely low income households or 15% of the units for lower income households. For an adaptive reuse project for owner-occupied housing, the bill would require the development to offer either 30% of the units at an affordable housing cost to moderate-income households or 15% of the units at an affordable housing cost to lower income households. For an adaptive reuse project including mixed uses, the bill would require at least one-half of the square footage of the adaptive reuse project to be dedicated to residential uses.</p> <p>The bill would provide, among other things relating to projects involving adaptive reuse, that parking is not required for the portion of a project consisting of a building subject to adaptive reuse that does not have existing onsite parking. The bill would authorize an adaptive reuse project subject to these provisions to include the</p>	2/24/2025	Referred to Coms. on Committee on Housing and Community Development and L. GOV.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB507">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB507</a>	
A.B.513: California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: scoping plan.	<p>The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. The state board is required to adopt rules and regulations to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emissions reductions to ensure that the statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 40% below the statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit, as defined, no later than December 31, 2030. The act requires the state board to prepare and approve a scoping plan for achieving the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions and to update the scoping plan at least once every 5 years.</p> <p>This bill would require the state board to include greenhouse gas emissions from wildlands and forest fires in the scoping plan.</p>	2/24/2025	Referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB513">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB513</a>	

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A.B.1257: Department of Transportation: state highways.	Existing law establishes the Department of Transportation and the California Transportation Commission, and vests with the department the obligation to improve and maintain state highways, including all traversable highways that have been adopted or designated as state highways by the commission. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to this provision.	2/24/2025	Read first time.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1257">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1257</a>	
A.B.1491: Transportation: road safety.	Existing law requires the Department of Transportation to improve and maintain the state's highways, and establishes various programs to fund the development, construction, and repair of local roads, bridges, and other critical transportation infrastructure in the state. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation to improve safety on the roads in the state.	2/24/2025	Read first time.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1491">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB1491</a>	
S.B.772: Infill Infrastructure Grant Program of 2019: applications: eligibility.	Existing law establishes the Infill Infrastructure Grant Program of 2019 (program), which requires the Department of Housing and Community Development, upon appropriation of funds by the Legislature, to establish and administer a grant program to allocate those funds to eligible applicants to fund capital improvement projects that are an integral part of, or necessary to facilitate the development of, a qualifying infill project, qualifying infill area, or catalytic qualifying infill area. Existing law requires the department, in its review of applications, to rank affected qualifying infill projects and catalytic qualifying infill areas based on specified criteria, including the qualifying infill area's or catalytic qualifying infill area's inclusion of, or proximity to, a train station or major transit stop and the proximity of housing to existing or planned parks, employment or retail centers, schools, or social services. This bill would revise these provisions to require the department to rank applications, as described above, based on the qualifying infill area's or catalytic qualifying infill area's inclusion of, or proximity or accessibility to, a transit station or major transit stop or walkability to essential services or businesses. The bill would additionally revise these provisions to require the department's ranking to be based on the proximity of housing to services, rather than social services. Existing law requires the department to administer an over-the-counter application process for specified grants under the program for capital improvement projects for small jurisdictions, as provided. For these purposes, existing law defines the term "qualifying infill area" as a contiguous area located within an urbanized area that meets one of specified alternative conditions, including that the capital improvement project for which funding is requested is necessary, as specified, to make the area suitable and available for residential development or to allow the area to accommodate housing for additional income levels, and the area may be included on an inventory of land in the housing element, as specified. This bill would expand the definition of "qualifying infill area" to additionally include a contiguous area located within an urbanized area for which the capital improvement project for which funding is requested under the program, as described above, is necessary, as provided, to make the area suitable and available for residential development pursuant to the Affordable Housing and High Road Jobs Act of 2022, which subjects a housing development to streamlined, ministerial approval under certain circumstances, as specified. Existing law requires a qualifying infill project, qualifying infill area, or	3/12/2025	Referred to HOUSING.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB772">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB772</a>	

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A.B.856: Sales and Use Tax: exemptions: manufacturing.	<p>Existing sales and use tax laws impose taxes on retailers measured by the gross receipts from the sale of tangible personal property sold at retail in this state, or on the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of tangible personal property purchased from a retailer for storage, use, or other consumption in this state. The Sales and Use Tax Law provides various exemptions from those taxes, including a partial exemption from those taxes, on and after July 1, 2014, and before July 1, 2030, for the gross receipts from the sale of, and the storage, use, or other consumption of, among other things, qualified tangible personal property purchased by a qualified person for purchases not exceeding \$200,000,000, for use primarily in manufacturing, processing, refining, fabricating, or recycling of tangible personal property, as specified. Existing law requires the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration to provide a report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee and the Department of Finance of, among other things, the total dollar amount of exemptions, as specified. Existing law repeals these provisions on January 1, 2031.</p> <p>This bill would, instead, extend the above-described partial exemption from those taxes until January 1, 2031, and would remove the above-described reporting requirement pertaining to the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration. The bill would make various conforming changes and repeal these provisions on January 1, 2036.</p> <p>Existing law requires any bill authorizing a new tax expenditure to contain, among other things, specific goals, purposes, and objectives that the tax expenditure will achieve, detailed performance indicators, and data collection requirements.</p> <p>This bill would require the California Department of Tax and Fee Administration, if requested by the Legislature, to submit a report to the Legislature on the exemption and would provide findings and declarations relating to the goals of the exemption.</p> <p>The Bradley-Burns Uniform Local Sales and Use Tax Law authorizes counties and cities to impose local sales and use taxes in conformity with the Sales and Use Tax Law, and existing laws authorize districts, as specified, to impose transactions and use taxes in accordance with the Transactions and Use Tax Law, which generally conforms to the Sales and Use Tax Law. Amendments to the Sales and Use Tax Law are automatically incorporated into the local tax laws.</p> <p>Existing law requires the state to reimburse counties and cities for revenue losses caused by the enactment of</p>	4/7/2025	In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB856">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB856</a>	
A.B.12: Low-carbon fuel standard: regulations.	<p>The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 establishes the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for monitoring and regulating sources emitting greenhouse gases. The act requires the state board to adopt rules and regulations to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emissions reductions to ensure that the statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 40% below the statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit, as defined, no later than December 31, 2030. Pursuant to the act, the state board has adopted the Low-Carbon Fuel Standard regulations.</p> <p>This bill would void specified amendments to the Low-Carbon Fuel Standard regulations adopted by the state board on November 8, 2024.</p>	2/18/2025	Referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB12">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB12</a>	

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A.B.41: State Air Resources Board: regulations: impact estimates: retail gasoline prices: public disclosure.	Existing law designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency responsible for the preparation of the state implementation plan required by the Clean Air Act, and requires the state board to adopt standards, rules, and regulations that are consistent with the state goal of providing a decent home and suitable living environment for every Californian. This bill would require the state board, in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, before adopting or amending a regulation that imposes costs on gasoline refiners, distributors, or retailers, to make available to the public, including on its internet website, an estimate of the impact on retail gasoline prices due to the proposed new regulation or the existing regulation and the proposed amendments to that regulation. The bill would require the estimate to include a maximum estimated impact on retail gasoline prices that assumes the maximum possible cost imposed, as specified, and that all costs are passed on to consumers.	2/18/2025	Referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB41">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB41</a>	
A.B.267: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: high-speed rail: water infrastructure and wildfire prevention.	The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. The act authorizes the state board to include in its regulation of those emissions the use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Existing law continuously appropriates 25% of the annual proceeds of the fund to the High-Speed Rail Authority for certain purposes. This bill would suspend the appropriation to the High-Speed Rail Authority for the 2026–27 and 2027–28 fiscal years and would instead require those amounts from moneys collected by the state board to be transferred to the General Fund. The bill would specify that the transferred amounts shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to augment funding for water infrastructure and wildfire prevention.	2/18/2025	Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB267">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB267</a>	

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A.B.273: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: high-speed rail: infrastructure improvements.	The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. The act authorizes the state board to include in its regulation of those emissions the use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Existing law requires all moneys, except for fines and penalties, collected by the state board from the auction or sale of allowances as part of a market-based compliance mechanism to be deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Existing law continuously appropriates 25% of the annual proceeds of the fund to the High-Speed Rail Authority for certain purposes. This bill would eliminate the continuous appropriation of 25% of the annual proceeds of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to the High-Speed Rail Authority on June 30, 2026. The bill, beginning with the 2026–27 fiscal year, would instead require 25% of the annual proceeds of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to be transferred to the General Fund and for those moneys, upon appropriation, to be used to augment funding provided to local governments to improve infrastructure.	2/18/2025	Referred to Coms. on TRANS. and Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB273">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB273</a>	
A.B.338: Workforce development: the Counties of Los Angeles and Ventura: 2025 wildfires.	Existing law, the California Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act, establishes the California Workforce Development Board as the body responsible for assisting the Governor in the development, oversight, and continuous improvement of California's workforce investment system and the alignment of education and workforce investment systems to the needs of the 21st century economy and workforce. The act requires the establishment of a local workforce development board in each local workforce development area of the state to, among other things, plan and oversee the workforce investment system. This bill would appropriate the sum of \$50,000,000 from the General Fund to the California Workforce Development Board to allocate to the South Bay Workforce Investment Board and the Economic Development Collaborative to train, upskill, and retrain underemployed and unemployed low- to moderate-income individuals to support the rebuilding and recovery of areas in the Counties of Los Angeles and Ventura impacted by the 2025 wildfires. The bill would require those local workforce development boards to demonstrate quality standards and practices, as specified, and to focus on employment in jobs in certain professions and industries, including construction, firefighting, and health care, and other areas essential to emergency response, disaster relief recovery and mitigation, and rebuilding. The bill would require individuals participating in programs funded by the bill to have access to expedited licensing and certification. This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute. This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the Counties of Los Angeles and Ventura.	3/10/2025	In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB338">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB338</a>	

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A.B.467: Open meetings: teleconferences: neighborhood councils.	<p>Existing law, the Ralph M. Brown Act, requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body, as defined, of a local agency be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate. The act generally requires for teleconferencing that the legislative body of a local agency that elects to use teleconferencing post agendas at all teleconference locations, identify each teleconference location in the notice and agenda of the meeting or proceeding, and have each teleconference location be accessible to the public. Existing law also requires that, during the teleconference, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction, except as specified.</p> <p>Existing law, until January 1, 2026, authorizes specified neighborhood city councils to use alternate teleconferencing provisions related to notice, agenda, and public participation, as prescribed, if, among other requirements, the city council has adopted an authorizing resolution and of the neighborhood city council votes to use alternate teleconference provisions, as specified.</p> <p>This bill would extend the authorization for specified neighborhood city councils to use the alternate teleconferencing provisions described above until January 1, 2031.</p> <p>Existing constitutional provisions require that a statute that limits the right of access to the meetings of public bodies or the writings of public officials and agencies be adopted with findings demonstrating the interest protected by the limitation and the need for protecting that interest.</p> <p>This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires local agencies, for the purpose of ensuring public access to the meetings of public bodies and the writings of public officials and agencies, to comply with a statutory enactment that amends or enacts laws relating to public records or open meetings and contains findings demonstrating that the enactment furthers the constitutional requirements relating to this purpose.</p> <p>This bill would make legislative findings to that effect.</p> <p>This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the neighborhood councils of the City of Los Angeles.</p>	2/18/2025	Referred to Committee on Local Government	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB467">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB467</a>	

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S.B.417: The Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026.	<p>Under existing law, there are programs providing assistance for, among other things, emergency housing, multifamily housing, farmworker housing, home ownership for very low and low-income households, and downpayment assistance for first-time home buyers. Existing law also authorizes the issuance of bonds in specified amounts pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law and requires that proceeds from the sale of these bonds be used to finance various existing housing programs, capital outlay related to infill development, brownfield cleanup that promotes infill development, and housing-related parks.</p> <p>This bill would enact the Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2026, which, if adopted, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of \$10,000,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law. Proceeds from the sale of these bonds would be used to finance programs to fund affordable rental housing and home ownership programs, including, among others, the Multifamily Housing Program, the CalHome Program, and the Joe Serna, Jr. Farmworker Housing Grant Program.</p> <p>This bill would provide for submission of the bond act to the voters at the June 2, 2026, statewide primary election, in accordance with specified law.</p> <p>This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.</p>	2/19/2025	From printer. May be acted upon on or after March 21.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB417">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB417</a>	
S.B.273: Surplus land.	<p>Existing law declares that surplus government land should be made available for affordable housing, including near transit stations, and for parks and recreation or open-space purposes.</p> <p>This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to this provision.</p>	2/14/2025	Referred to Committee on Rules	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB273">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB273</a>	
A.B.569: California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013: exceptions: supplemental defined benefit plans.	<p>Existing law, the California Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA), on and after January 1, 2013, requires a public retirement system, as defined, to modify its plan or plans to comply with PEPRA, as specified. Among other things, PEPRA prohibits a public employer from offering a defined benefit pension plan exceeding specified retirement formulas, requires new members of public retirement systems to contribute at least a specified amount of the normal cost, as defined, for their defined benefit plans, and prohibits an enhancement of a public employee's retirement formula or benefit adopted after January 1, 2013, from applying to service performed prior to the operative date of the enhancement.</p> <p>PEPRA prohibits a public employer from offering a supplemental defined benefit plan if the public employer did not do so before January 1, 2013, or, if it did, from offering that plan to an additional employee group after that date.</p> <p>This bill would, notwithstanding that prohibition, authorize a public employer, as defined, to bargain over contributions for supplemental retirement benefits administered by, or on behalf of, an exclusive bargaining representative of one or more of the public employer's bargaining units.</p>	2/24/2025	Referred to P. Committee on Elections and Redistricting	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB569">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB569</a>	

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A.B.295: California Environmental Quality Act: environmental leadership development projects: water storage, water conveyance, and groundwater recharge projects: streamlined review.	<p>The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report (EIR) on a project that the lead agency proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. CEQA establishes a procedure by which a person may seek judicial review of the decision of the lead agency made pursuant to CEQA.</p> <p>The Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2021 authorizes the Governor, until January 1, 2032, to certify environmental leadership development projects that meet specified requirements for certain streamlining benefits related to CEQA. The act, among other things, requires a lead agency to prepare the record of proceedings for an environmental leadership development project, as provided, and to provide a specified notice within 10 days of the Governor certifying the project. The act is repealed by its own term on January 1, 2034.</p> <p>This bill would extend the application of the act to water storage projects, water conveyance projects, and groundwater recharge projects that provide public benefits and drought preparedness. Because a lead agency would be required to prepare the record of proceedings for water storage projects, water conveyance projects, and groundwater recharge projects pursuant to the act, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	3/24/2025	In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.	<a href="https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB295">https://leginfo.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB295</a>	

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A.B.314: California Environmental Quality Act: major transit stop.	<p>The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared, and certify the completion of an environmental impact report on a project that it proposes to carry out or approve that may have a significant effect on the environment or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. CEQA also requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment.</p> <p>CEQA exempts from its requirements residential projects on infill sites and transit priority projects that meet certain requirements, including a requirement that the projects are located within mile of a major transit stop. CEQA defines “major transit stop” to include, among other locations, the intersection of 2 or more major bus routes with a frequency of service interval of 15 minutes or less during the morning and afternoon peak commute periods.</p> <p>This bill would additionally define “major transit stop” to include a planned or existing high-speed rail station. Because the bill would require a lead agency to make an additional determination as to whether a location is a major transit stop for purposes of determining whether residential or mixed-use residential projects are exempt from CEQA, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p> <p>The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.</p> <p>This bill would provide that no reimbursement is required by this act for a specified reason.</p>	2/10/2025	Referred to Committee on Natural Resources	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB314">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB314</a>	

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A.B.11: The Social Housing Act.	<p>Existing law creates a housing authority in each county or city, which functions upon the adoption of a specified resolution by the relevant governing body. Existing law authorizes these housing authorities, within their jurisdictions, to construct, reconstruct, improve, alter, or repair all or part of any housing project. Existing law establishes various programs that provide housing assistance.</p> <p>This bill would enact the Social Housing Act and would create the California Housing Authority as an independent state body, the mission of which would be to ensure that social housing developments that are produced and acquired align with the goals of eliminating the gap between housing production and regional housing needs assessment targets and preserving affordable housing. The bill would prescribe a definition of social housing that would describe,</p> <p>in addition to housing owned by the authority, housing owned by other entities, as specified, provided that all social housing developed or authorized by the authority would be owned by the authority.</p> <p>This bill would prescribe the composition of the California Housing Authority Board, which would govern the authority, and which would be composed of appointed members and members who would be elected by residents of social housing developments, as specified. The bill would set forth the powers and duties of the authority and the board, including the requirement that the authority and the board annually prepare and submit a business plan and related information to the Governor and Legislature, as specified. The bill would also require the board to provide for regular audits of the authority's accounts and records, as specified. The bill would require the authority to seek to achieve revenue neutrality, as defined, and would require the authority to seek to recuperate</p> <p>the cost of development and operations over the life of its properties through mechanisms that maximize the number of Californians who can be housed without experiencing rent burden.</p> <p>This bill would require the authority to prioritize the development of specified property, including vacant parcels and parcels near transit, and would establish a process for the annual determination of required social housing units. Under the bill, social housing would accommodate a mix of household income ranges and would provide specified protections for residents, who would have the right to participate in the operation and management of the units in which they reside.</p> <p>This bill would require the California Housing Authority to employ 2 leasing models in creating social housing,</p>	2/3/2025	Referred to Committee on Housing and Community Development	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB11">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB11</a>	

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A.C.A.1: Public finance.	<p>The California Constitution prohibits the total annual appropriations subject to limitation of the State and of each local government from exceeding the appropriations limit of the entity of government for the prior year adjusted for the change in the cost of living and the change in population. The California Constitution defines “appropriations subject to limitation” of the State for these purposes.</p> <p>The California Constitution establishes the Budget Stabilization Account and requires, for every fiscal year and based on the Budget Act for that fiscal year, the Controller to transfer from the General Fund to the Budget Stabilization Account, no later than October 1, a sum equal to 1.5% of the estimated amount of General Fund revenues for that fiscal year. The California Constitution requires other transfers between the General Fund and the Budget Stabilization Account, as specified. The California Constitution prohibits the amount transferred pursuant to these provisions for any fiscal year from exceeding an amount that would result in a balance in the account that, when the transfer is made, exceeds 10% of the amount of the General Fund proceeds of taxes for the fiscal year estimate, as specified.</p> <p>This measure would change the 1.5% required transfer to an undetermined percentage of the estimated amount of General Fund revenues for that fiscal year. The measure would change the 10% limit on the balance in the Budget Stabilization Account to 20% of the amount of the General Fund proceeds of taxes for the fiscal year estimate, as specified. The measure would specify that funds transferred under these provisions to the Budget Stabilization Account do not constitute appropriations subject to the above-described annual appropriations limit.</p>	1/29/2025	Introduced measure version corrected.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260ACA1">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260ACA1</a>	
A.B.227: Budget Act of 2025.	<p>This bill would make appropriations for the support of state government for the 2025–26 fiscal year.</p> <p>This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as a Budget Bill.</p>	2/3/2025	Referred to Budget.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB227">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260AB227</a>	
S.B.65: Budget Act of 2025.	<p>This bill would make appropriations for the support of state government for the 2025–26 fiscal year.</p> <p>This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as a Budget Bill.</p>	1/13/2025	Read first time.	<a href="https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB65">https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202520260SB65</a>	

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