



STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE: End of Session 2015-2016 All PWP Bills Passed & Failed

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AB 1 (Brown D) Drought: local governments: fines.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Drought

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch, SCWC- Support

Summary: *Would prohibit a city, county, or city and county from imposing a fine under any ordinance for a failure to water a lawn or having a brown lawn during a period for which the Governor has issued a proclamation of a state of emergency based on drought conditions.*

AB 33 (Quirk D) Electrical corporations: energy storage systems: long duration bulk energy storage resources.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to open a proceeding to determine appropriate targets, if any, for each load-serving entity, as defined, to procure viable and cost-effective energy storage systems to be achieved by December 31, 2020. This bill would require the commission to evaluate and analyze the potential for all types of long duration bulk energy storage resources to help integrate renewable generation into the electrical grid, as specified.*

AB 91 (Committee on Budget) Budget Act of 2014.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Drought

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, MWD- Support, SCWC- Support

Summary: *The Budget Act of 2014 made appropriations for the support of state government for the 2014-15 fiscal year. This bill would amend the Budget Act of 2014 by amending, adding, and repealing items of appropriation. This bill contains other related provisions.*

AB 92 (Committee on Budget) Water.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Drought

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, MWD- Support, SCWC- Support

Summary: *Current law requires any new diversion of water from any stream having populations of salmon and steelhead that is determined by the Department of Fish and Wildlife to be deleterious to salmon and steelhead to be screened by the owner of the diversion. This bill would require the department, within 30 days of providing written notice to the owner that the department has determined that the diversion is deleterious to salmon and steelhead, to submit to the owner its proposals as to measures necessary to protect the salmon and steelhead.*

AB 149 (Chávez R) Urban water management plans.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support, MWD- Support

Summary: *The Urban Water Management Planning Act requires an urban water supplier to submit to the Department of Water Resources a copy of its plan no later than 30 days after adoption and requires the department to prepare and submit to the Legislature, on or before December 31, in the years ending in 6 and 1, a report summarizing the status of plans adopted pursuant to the act. This bill would require each urban water supplier to update and submit its 2020 plan to the department by July 1, 2021, and would require the department to submit the report to the Legislature for the 2015 plans by July 1, 2017, and the report for the 2020 plans by July 1, 2022.*

Attachment: [Governor Sign 2015 06 29](#)

[PWP Support 2015 03 23](#)

Action Item: Letter(s) to Legislature

AB 197 (Garcia, Eduardo D) State Air Resources Board: greenhouse gases: regulations.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Renewable Energy

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Current law establishes the State Air Resources Board consisting of 14 members and vests the state board with regulatory jurisdiction over air quality issues. This bill would add 2 Members of the Legislature to the state board as ex officio, nonvoting members. The bill would provide that the voting members of the state board are appointed for staggered 6-year terms and upon expiration of the term of office of a voting member, the appointing authority may reappoint that member to a new term of office, subject to specified requirements. The bill would require the state board to establish the initial staggered terms.*

Notes: *In addition to changes to the make-up of the California Air Resources Board (ARB), AB 197 requires ARB to "prioritize direct*

emission reductions" from stationary sources i.e. power plants. AB 197 is joined to SB 32 (Pavley) which reduces statewide GHG emissions to 40% below 1990 levels by 2030. If one bill failed, both bills would fail.

AB 323 (Olsen R) California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: roadway improvement.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), until January 1, 2016, exempts a project or an activity to repair, maintain, or make minor alterations to an existing roadway, as defined, if the project or activity is carried out by a city or county with a population of less than 100,000 persons to improve public safety and meets other specified requirements. This bill would extend the above exemption to January 1, 2020.

AB 349 (Gonzalez D) Common interest developments: property use and maintenance.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Conservation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support, MWD- Support

Summary: Current law makes void and unenforceable any provision of the governing documents or architectural or landscaping guidelines or policies that prohibits use of low water-using plants, or prohibits or restricts compliance with water-efficient landscape ordinances or regulations on the use of water, as specified. This bill would make void and unenforceable any provision of the governing documents or architectural or landscaping guidelines or policies that prohibits use of artificial turf or any other synthetic surface that resembles grass. This bill contains other existing laws.

AB 401 (Dodd D) Low-Income Water Rate Assistance Program.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Rates & Tariffs

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: Would require the State Water Resources Control Board, no later than January 1, 2018, in collaboration with the State Board of Equalization and relevant stakeholders, to develop a plan for the funding and implementation of the Low-Income Water Rate Assistance Program, which would include specified elements. The bill would permit the board to consider existing rate assistance programs authorized by the commission in developing the plan and would authorize the plan to include recommendations for other cost-effective methods of offering assistance to low-income water customers.

AB 402 (Dodd D) Local agency services: contracts.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: LEAGUE- Watch

Summary: Would establish a pilot program, until January 1, 2021, for the Napa and San Bernardino commissions that would permit those commissions to authorize a city or district to provide new or extended services outside both its jurisdictional boundaries and its sphere of influence under specified circumstances. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 453 (Salas D) Extraction of groundwater: Semitropic Water Storage District.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: Would authorize the Semitropic Water Storage District to collect groundwater extraction information and to require the reporting of groundwater information, as specified. This bill would authorize the district to impose fees on the extraction of groundwater from the basin, as prescribed. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 606 (Levine D) Water conservation.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Conservation

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support, MWD- Support, SCWC- Support

Summary: Would, when a state agency builds upon state-owned real property, purchases real property, or replaces landscaping or irrigation, require the state agency to reduce water consumption and increase water efficiencies for that property where feasible, as defined, through specified water efficiency measures. The bill would exempt from its requirements state-owned real property that is leased for agricultural purposes. This bill contains other existing laws.

Attachment: [CMUA Letter of Support 2015-04-20](#)

[ACWA Letter of Support 2015-04-20](#)

[Author Fact Sheet, as amended 4/13/15](#)

Notes: Requires state to perform assessment for feasible water conservation improvements in state owned properties.

AB 617 (Perea D) Groundwater.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Resources

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would define "in-lieu use" for the purposes of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and would provide that, where appropriate, measures addressing in-lieu use shall be included in a groundwater sustainability plan. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 692 (Quirk D) Low-carbon transportation fuels.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch

Summary: *The State Air Resources Board is required to adopt rules and regulations in an open public process to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emissions reductions. Pursuant to the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, the state board has adopted the Low-Carbon Fuel Standard regulations. This bill, commencing January 1, 2017, would require, except as provided, at least 3% of the aggregate amount of bulk transportation fuel purchased by the state government to be procured from very low carbon transportation fuel sources.*

AB 786 (Levine D) Common interest developments: property use and maintenance.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support

Summary: *Current law prohibits an association, except an association that uses recycled water for landscape irrigation, from imposing a fine or assessment on separate interest owners for reducing or eliminating watering of vegetation or lawns during any period for which the Governor has declared a state of emergency or the local government has declared a local emergency due to drought. This bill would revise that exception to instead authorize the imposition of a fine or assessment against the owner of a separate interest that receives recycled water from a retail water supplier, as defined, and fails to use that recycled water for landscaping irrigation.*

AB 793 (Quirk D) Energy efficiency.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to require an electrical or gas corporation to perform home weatherization services for low-income customers if the commission determines that a significant need for those services exists in the corporation's service territory. For these purposes, existing law authorizes weatherization, where feasible, to include certain measures for a dwelling unit. This bill would require weatherization, for the above-specified purposes, to include energy management technology determined by the commission to be feasible, taking into consideration the above-described factors.*

AB 802 (Williams D) Energy efficiency.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose

Summary: *Current law requires the Energy Commission to prepare an integrated energy policy report every 2 years and requires the report to include an assessment and forecast of system reliability and the need for resource additions, efficiency, and conservation that considers certain criteria. This bill would require the Energy Commission, in consultation with the Public Utilities Commission, to make all reasonable adjustments to its energy demand forecasts conducted pursuant to the above-described provisions to account for its findings of market conditions and existing baselines, and in making those adjustments, would authorize the commission to consider the results from specified programs.*

AB 865 (Alejo D) State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission: contracts, grants, and loans: diversity.

Status: CHAPTERED

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to develop and implement an outreach program to inform the most qualified loan and grant applicants, and contractors, including, but not limited to, women, minority, disabled veteran, and LGBT business enterprises, as defined, about workshops, trainings, and funding opportunities. The bill would require that one component of the outreach program be a process for tracking the diversity of contractors, loan recipients, and grant recipients.*

AB 935 (Salas D) Water projects.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch, MWD- Watch

Summary: *Current law establishes in the Natural Resources Agency the Department of Water Resources, which manages and undertakes planning with regard to water resources in the state. This bill would require, upon appropriation by the Legislature, the department to provide funding for a certain project provided that certain conditions are met.*

AB 939 (Salas D) Groundwater sustainability agencies.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act requires a local agency, any time the Department of Water Resources changes these basin priorities and elevates a basin to a medium- or high-priority basin after January 31, 2015, to either establish a groundwater sustainability agency within 2 years of reprioritization and adopt a groundwater sustainability plan within 5 years of reprioritization, or to submit an alternative to the department that the local agency believes satisfies the objectives of these provisions within 2 years of reprioritization. This bill would impose the requirement to establish a groundwater sustainability agency or submit an alternative after reprioritization on a local agency or combination of local agencies overlying a groundwater basin.*

AB 1110 (Ting D) Greenhouse gases emissions intensity reporting: retail electricity suppliers.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, SCPPA- Oppose

Summary: *Would, among other things, require the Energy Commission, in consultation with the State Air Resources Board, to adopt a methodology for the calculation of greenhouse gas emissions intensity for each purchase of electricity by a retail supplier to serve its retail customers. The bill would require a retail supplier, including an electrical corporation, local publicly owned electric utility, electric service*

provider, and community choice aggregator, to also disclose both the greenhouse gases emissions intensity of any electricity portfolio offered to its retail customers, as specified, and the Energy Commission's calculation of the greenhouse gas emissions intensity associated with all statewide retail electricity sales.

[AB 1119](#) ([Rendon D](#)) Public utilities: municipal corporations: rights of way.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch

Summary: *Would require a municipal corporation, before using any street, alley, avenue, or highway within any other municipal corporation or county, to request of the municipal corporation or county that has control over the street, alley, avenue, or highway to agree with it upon the location of the use and the terms and conditions to which the use shall be subject. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 1150](#) ([Levine D](#)) Energy: University of California and California State University partnership.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch

Summary: *Would request the Regents of the University of California, and require the California State University, to consider aligning their greenhouse gas reduction goals with those of the statewide institutional partnership between the California State University, the University of California, and investor-owned energy utilities and with those of the state, as specified. This bill contains other existing laws.*

[AB 1164](#) ([Gatto D](#)) Water conservation: drought tolerant landscaping.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Conservation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support, MWD- Watch

Summary: *Would prohibit a city, including a charter city, county, and city and county, from enacting or enforcing any ordinance or regulation that prohibits the installation of drought tolerant landscaping, synthetic grass, or artificial turf on residential property, as specified. The bill would additionally state that this is an issue of statewide concern. This bill contains other related provisions.*

Attachment: [Legislative Counsel Language: AB 1164](#)

Author Fact Sheet: [AB 1164, Water Conservation Measures](#)

Notes: *I have some concerns with this bill as it revokes local control over landscape design. I think it is important for local jurisdictions to have the ability to enact design standards for landscapes, and especially regulate the use of artificial turf. Pasadena allows artificial turf but does require a permit, which insures that certain standards are met. There are issues with artificial turf such as heat gain and the potential erosion of the material which forms the base of the turf. The pros of the bill are that it includes appropriations for incentives to replace water efficient landscaping with drought tolerant landscaping. I would not suggest supporting this bill as currently written.-Ursula Schmidt*

[AB 1180](#) ([Garcia, Cristina D](#)) Rates and charges for water service: payment transaction fees.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: IOU Watchlist, Rates & Tariffs

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would, until January 1, 2022, authorize a water corporation with more than 10,000 service connections to seek commission approval, through its general rate case application, to operate a pilot program designed to evaluate customer interest in, and utilization of, bill payment options, including, but not limited to, credit card, debit card, and prepaid card bill payment options, and to assess the cost-effectiveness of, and customer interests served by, customer access to those bill payment options. The bill would limit the duration of a pilot program to the duration of the water corporation's rate case cycle.*

[AB 1236](#) ([Chiu D](#)) Local ordinances: electric vehicle charging stations.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels

PWP Position: Oppose

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, SCPPA- Watch

Summary: *Would require a city, county, or city and county to approve an application for the installation of electric vehicle charging stations, as defined, through the issuance of specified permits unless the city or county makes specified written findings based upon substantial evidence in the record that the proposed installation would have a specific, adverse impact upon the public health or safety, and there is no feasible method to satisfactorily mitigate or avoid the specific, adverse impact.*

Action Item: Letter Due

[AB 1269](#) ([Dababneh D](#)) Alternative energy.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch

Summary: *The California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority Act authorizes the California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority, until July 1, 2016, to grant financial assistance in the form of a sales and use tax exclusion for projects that promote the use of advanced manufacturing. This bill would extend the authorization to grant the above financial assistance to projects that promote the use of advanced manufacturing to January 1, 2021.*

[AB 1288](#) ([Atkins D](#)) Air resources.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Current law establishes the State Air Resources Board, consisting of 12 members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. Current law requires the State Air Resources Board to take certain actions regarding air pollution. This bill would increase the*

membership of the state board to 14, with the Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the Assembly each appointing one member, as provided.

[AB 1330](#) (Bloom D) Energy efficiency.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, SCPPA- Watch

Summary: Current law requires the PUC to identify all potentially achievable cost-effective electricity and natural gas efficiency savings and to establish efficiency targets for electrical and gas corporations to achieve. This bill would require the PUC to ensure that there are sufficient moneys available for electrical and gas corporations to meet those efficiency targets.

Attachment: [AB 1330 Opposed SEU&C Cmte](#)

Action Item: Letter(s) to Legislature

[AB 1390](#) (Alejo D) Groundwater: comprehensive adjudication.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support if Amended

Summary: The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, which applies to all groundwater basins in the state, all basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the Department of Water Resources as basins that are subject to critical conditions of overdraft, as specified, are required to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans by January 31, 2020. This bill would establish special procedures for a comprehensive adjudication, which is defined as an action filed in superior court to comprehensively determine rights to extract groundwater in a basin.

[AB 1448](#) (Lopez D) Personal energy conservation: real property restrictions.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Solar (PV)

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would require a landlord to permit a tenant to utilize a clothesline or drying rack, as defined, approved by the landlord in the tenant's private area, as defined, if certain conditions are met, including, among others, that the clothesline or drying rack will not interfere with the maintenance of the rental property and the use of the clothesline or drying rack does not violate reasonable time or location restrictions imposed by the landlord. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[AB 1482](#) (Gordon D) Climate adaptation.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would require the Natural Resources Agency, by July 1, 2017, and every 3 years thereafter, to update the state's climate adaptation strategy, as provided. The bill would require the agency, by January 1, 2017, and every 3 years thereafter, to release a draft climate adaptation strategy, as provided. The bill would require state agencies to maximize specified objectives, including, among others, promoting the use of the climate adaptation strategy to inform planning decisions and ensure that state investments consider climate change impacts, as well as promote the use of natural systems and natural infrastructure, as defined, when developing physical infrastructure to address adaptation.

[AB 1496](#) (Thurmond D) Methane emissions.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Regulatory

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: 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. Current law requires the state board to complete a comprehensive strategy to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants, as defined, in the state. This bill would require the state board to take specified actions and conduct specified analyses with respect to methane emissions.

[AB 1524](#) (Committee on Utilities and Commerce) Electricity: energy crisis litigation.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Regulatory

PWP Position: Neutral

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch

Summary: Current law, until January 1, 2016, requires the Attorney General to represent the Department of Finance and to succeed to all rights, claims, powers, and entitlements of the Electricity Oversight Board in any litigation or settlement to obtain ratepayer recovery for the effects of the 2000-02 energy crisis. Current law additionally prohibits the Attorney General from expending the proceeds of any settlements of those claims, except as specified. This bill would instead repeal the above-described requirements on January 1, 2018.

[AB 1525](#) (Committee on Utilities and Commerce) Electrical restructuring.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: IOU Watchlist

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch

Summary: Current law, enacted as part of electrical restructuring, required the Public Utilities Commission to authorize an electrical corporation meeting specified conditions to implement a rate cap mechanism that included a fuel price index mechanism to ensure the continued safe and reliable provision of electric service during the transition to competition and to limit the effect of fuel price volatility in electric rates paid by consumers. This requirement became inoperative on December 31, 2001. This bill would repeal the above-described requirement.

[AB 1531](#) (Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materials) State Water Resources Control Board.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Neutral, CMUA-

Oppose unless Amended

Summary: *The California Safe Drinking Water Act requires the State Water Resources Control Board to administer provisions relating to the regulation of drinking water to protect public health. This bill would authorize the state board to adopt as an emergency regulation, a regulation that is not more stringent than, and is not materially different in substance and effect than, the requirements of a regulation promulgated under the federal Safe Drinking Water Act, with a specified exception. The bill would require that these emergency regulations not be subject to review by the Office of Administrative Law and remain in effect until revised by the state board.*

[AB 1550](#) ([Gomez D](#)) Greenhouse gases: investment plan: disadvantaged communities.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the Department of Finance, in consultation with the State Air Resources Board and any other relevant state agency, to develop, as specified, a 3-year investment plan for the moneys deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill would require the investment plan to allocate (1) a minimum of 25% of the available moneys in the fund to projects located within, and benefiting individuals living in, disadvantaged communities, (2) an additional minimum of 5% to projects that benefit low-income households or to projects located within, and benefiting individuals living in, low-income communities located anywhere in the state, and (3) an additional minimum of 5% either to projects that benefit low-income households that are outside of, but within a 1/2 mile of, disadvantaged communities, or to projects located within the boundaries of, and benefiting individuals living in, low-income communities that are outside of, but within a 1/2 mile of, disadvantaged communities.*

[AB 1613](#) ([Committee on Budget](#)) Budget Act of 2016.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, MWD- Watch, LEAGUE- Watch

Summary: *The Budget Act of 2016 made appropriations for the support of state government for the 2016-17 fiscal year. This bill would amend the Budget Act of 2016 by amending and adding items of appropriation and making other changes. This bill contains other related provisions.*

[AB 1755](#) ([Dodd D](#)) The Open and Transparent Water Data Act.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Regulatory

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support, MWD- Support

Summary: *Would enact the Open and Transparent Water Data Act. The act would require the Department of Water Resources, in consultation with the California Water Quality Monitoring Council, the State Water Resources Control Board, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife, in accordance with a specified schedule, to create, operate, and maintain a statewide integrated water data platform that, among other things, would integrate existing water and ecological data information from multiple databases and provide data on completed water transfers and exchanges. This bill contains other existing laws.*

Attachment: [Press Releases Asm. Dodd Seeks to Improve Reliability of State Water Supply with New Bill 2016-02-03](#)

[AB 1773](#) ([Obernalte R](#)) Local government renewable energy self-generation program.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Renewable Energy

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: *Under current law, the Public Utilities Commission is vested with regulatory authority over public utilities. Current law authorizes a local governmental entity, except a joint powers authority, to receive a bill credit to a designated benefiting account, for electricity exported to the electrical grid by an eligible renewable generating facility and requires the commission to adopt a rate tariff for the benefiting account. This bill would include as a local governmental entity for this purpose a joint powers authority, except as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 1787](#) ([Gomez D](#)) Open meetings: public comments: translation.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *The Ralph M. Brown Act requires a local legislative body to provide an opportunity for members of the public to directly address the body concerning any item described in a notice of meeting. The act authorizes the legislative body to adopt reasonable regulations limiting the total amount of time allocated for public testimony for each individual speaker. This bill, if a local legislative body limits the time for public comment, would require the legislative body to provide at least twice the allotted time to a member of the public who utilizes a translator to ensure that non-English speakers receive the same opportunity to directly address the legislative body, unless simultaneous translation equipment is used to allow the body to hear the translated public testimony simultaneously.*

[AB 1794](#) ([Garcia, Cristina D](#)) Central Basin Municipal Water District.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the board of directors of the Central Basin Municipal Water District to be composed of 8 directors until the directors elected at the November 8, 2022, election take office, when the board would be composed of 7 directors, as prescribed. By imposing new duties on the district, this bill would create a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 1841](#) ([Irwin D](#)) Cybersecurity strategy incident response standards.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Cyber/Phys Security

PWP Position: Support

Summary: *Would require the Department of Technology, in consultation with the Office of Emergency Services and compliance with the*

information security program required to be established by the chief of the Office of Information Security, to update 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 critical infrastructure information.

AB 1842 (Levine D) Water: pollution: fines.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: Current law imposes a maximum civil penalty of \$25,000 on a person who discharges various pollutants or other designated materials into the waters of the state. This bill would impose an additional civil penalty of not more than \$10 for each gallon or pound of material discharged. The bill would require that the civil penalty be reduced for every gallon or pound of the illegally discharged material that is recovered and properly disposed of by the responsible party. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

AB 1923 (Wood D) Bioenergy feed-in tariff.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Net Metering/Feed in Tariff **PWP Position:** Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support if Amended

Summary: Would, for the purposes of the bioenergy feed-in tariff, revise a generally applicable interconnection requirement for electric generation facilities, as specified. The bill would also require the Public Utilities Commission to direct the electrical corporations to authorize a bioenergy electric generation facility with an effective capacity of up to 5 megawatts to participate in the bioenergy feed-in tariff if the facility delivers no more than 3 megawatts to the grid at any time and complies with specified interconnection and payment requirements. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 1928 (Campos D) Water efficiency: landscape irrigation equipment.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support

Summary: Current law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, in consultation with the Department of Water Resources, to adopt, by January 1, 2010, performance standards and labeling requirements for landscape irrigation equipment and, on or after January 1, 2012, prohibits that equipment from being sold unless it meets the performance standards and labeling requirements. This bill would postpone the date by which the commission is to adopt the performance standards and labeling requirements to January 1, 2019, and would prohibit the sale or the offer for sale of that equipment manufactured on or after the effective date of the performance standards and labeling requirements unless the equipment meets the performance standards and labeling requirements and is certified by the manufacturer as meeting the performance standards.

AB 1937 (Gomez D) Electricity: procurement.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: IOU Watchlist

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would require electrical corporations' proposed procurement plans to also include a showing that the electrical corporations (1), in soliciting bids for new gas-fired generating units, actively seek bids for resources that are not gas-fired generating units located in communities that suffer from cumulative pollution burdens and (2), in considering bids for, or negotiating bilateral contracts for, new gas-fired generating units, give preference to resources that are not gas-fired generating units located in those communities.

AB 1979 (Bigelow R) Renewable feed-in tariff: hydroelectric facilities.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would authorize a conduit hydroelectric facility with an effective capacity of up to 4 megawatts to participate in the renewable feed-in tariff if the facility delivers no more than 3 megawatts to the grid at any time, was operational on January 1, 1990, and complies with specified interconnection and payment requirements.

AB 2022 (Gordon D) Advanced purified demonstration water.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, MWD- Support, WateReuse- Support

Summary: Would authorize the operator of an advanced water purification facility to cause advanced purified demonstration water to be bottled and distributed as samples for educational purposes and to promote water recycling, as specified. The bill would prohibit the advanced purified demonstration water in each bottle from exceeding 8 ounces and would prohibit that water from being distributed unless the water, among other requirements, meets or exceeds all federal and state drinking water standards.

AB 2087 (Levine D) Regional conservation investment strategies.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: Would authorize the Department of Fish and Wildlife, or any other public agency, to propose a regional conservation investment strategy, to be developed in consultation with applicable local agencies that have land use authority, for the purpose of informing science-based nonbinding and voluntary conservation actions and habitat enhancement actions that would advance the conservation of focal species and providing voluntary nonbinding guidance for various activities.

AB 2313 (Williams D) Renewable natural gas: monetary incentive program for biomethane projects: pipeline infrastructure.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Renewable Energy

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would require the Public Utilities Commission to modify the monetary incentive program for biomethane projects so that the total available incentive limitation for a project, other than a dairy cluster biomethane project, as defined, is increased from \$1,500,000 to \$3,000,000. The bill would require the commission to increase the total available incentive limitation for a dairy cluster biomethane project to \$5,000,000 and would authorize the use of incentive payments subject to this limitation for interconnection costs and costs incurred for gathering lines for transport of biogas to a centralized processing facility for the project.*

[AB 2446](#) ([Gordon D](#)) State Water Resources Control Board: judicial review.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Resources

PWP Position: Oppose

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: *The Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, within 30 days of any action or failure to act by a California regional water quality control board under specified law, authorizes an aggrieved person to petition the State Water Resources Control Board to review that action or failure to act. Current law authorizes the state board, in the case of such a review, upon notice and hearing, if a hearing is requested, to stay in whole or in part the effect of the decision and order of a regional board or of the state board. This bill would expand that provision to authorize the state board to issue a stay in the case of review by the state board of a decision or order issued under authority delegated to an officer or employee of the state board where the state board by regulation has authorized a petition for reconsideration by the state board.*

Action Item: Letter Due

Notes: Hydropower issues.

[AB 2454](#) ([Williams D](#)) Energy: procurement plans.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *The Public Utilities Act requires that an electrical corporation's proposed procurement plan include certain elements, including a showing that the electrical corporation will first meet its unmet needs through all available energy efficiency and demand reduction resources that are cost effective, reliable, and feasible. This bill would require the electrical corporation, in determining the availability of cost-effective, reliable, and feasible demand reduction resources, to consider the findings of the Demand Response Potential Study required by a specific order of the commission, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 2470](#) ([Gonzalez D](#)) Municipal water districts: water service: Indian tribes.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: MWD- Support if Amended, CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Current law authorizes a district to sell water under its control, without preference, to cities, other public corporations and agencies, and persons, within the district for use within the district. Current law authorizes a district to sell or otherwise dispose of water above that required by consumers within the district to any persons, public corporations or agencies, or other consumers. This bill, upon the request of an Indian tribe and the satisfaction of certain conditions, would require a district to provide service of water at substantially the same terms applicable to the customers of the district to an Indian tribe's lands that are not within a district, as prescribed, if the Indian tribe's lands meet certain requirements and the Indian tribe satisfies prescribed conditions.*

[AB 2480](#) ([Bloom D](#)) Source watersheds: financing.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Resources

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch, MWD- Watch

Summary: *Would declare it to be state policy that source watersheds are recognized and defined as integral components of California's water infrastructure. The bill would state the particular importance to maintaining the reliability, quantity, timing, and quality of California's environmental, drinking, and agricultural water supply as climate change advances of source watersheds that supply the majority of the state's drinking and irrigated agricultural water.*

[AB 2515](#) ([Weber D](#)) Water Conservation in Landscaping Act: model water-efficient landscaping ordinance.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Conservation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: *Would require the Department of Water Resources, on or before January 1, 2020, and every three years thereafter, to either update the model water-efficient landscaping ordinance or make a finding that an update to the model water-efficient landscaping ordinance at that time is not a useful or effective means to improve either the efficiency of landscape water use or the administration of the ordinance.*

[AB 2551](#) ([Gallagher R](#)) Contract procurement: surface storage projects.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Regulatory, Water Resources

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support if Amended

Summary: *Would allow a local agency to use the construction manager at-risk, design-build, or design-build-operate method of delivery on a surface storage project, as described. The bill would require these contracts to be awarded on a best value basis or to the lowest responsible bidder, and establish a procurement process for these contracts. The bill would require the bidder to certify specified information under penalty of perjury. By expanding the crime of perjury, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.*

[AB 2561](#) ([Irwin D](#)) Water supply planning: projects: photovoltaic or wind energy generation facility.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Renewable Energy

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Current law, until January 1, 2017, exempts from the definition of "project" a proposed photovoltaic or wind energy generation facility that would demand no more than 75 acre-feet of water annually. This bill would, until January 1, 2018, exempt the above-described proposed photovoltaic or wind energy generation facilities from the definition of "project." The bill would thereby extend the duties on local agencies with respect to determining whether a project is subject to the water supply assessment requirements, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[AB 2594](#) ([Gordon D](#)) Stormwater resources: use of captured water.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Resources

PWP Position: Support if Amended

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Neutral, ACWA- Oppose unless Amended, LEAGUE- Support

Summary: Current law, the Stormwater Resource Planning Act, authorizes one or more public agencies to develop a stormwater resource plan that meets specified standards to address the capture of stormwater, as defined, and dry weather runoff, as defined. This bill would authorize a public entity that captures stormwater from urban areas, in accordance with a stormwater resource plan, before the water reaches a natural channel to use the captured water under certain circumstances.

[AB 2616](#) ([Burke D](#)) California Coastal Commission: environmental justice.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Current law, the California Coastal Act of 1976, establishes the California Coastal Commission and prescribes the membership and functions and duties of the commission. Current law provides that the commission consists of 15 members. This bill would require one of the members appointed by the Governor to reside in, and work directly with, communities in the state that are disproportionately burdened by, and vulnerable to, high levels of pollution and issues of environmental justice, as defined. The bill would require that the Governor appoint a member who meets these qualifications to a vacant position from the appointments available no later than the fourth appointment available after January 1, 2017.

[AB 2651](#) ([Gomez D](#)) Greenway easements.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: The Greenway Development and Sustainment Act defines various terms for purposes of the act, including "greenway," to mean certain types of travel corridors that, among other requirements, incorporate an array of amenities for users of the corridor and nearby communities, and "greenway easement," to mean a limitation in a deed, will, or other instrument for the purpose of developing greenways adjacent to urban waterways. The act provides that a recorded greenway easement constitutes an enforceable restriction for purposes of certain property tax provisions. This bill would instead require a greenway to incorporate an array of amenities only within an urbanized area, as defined.

[AB 2693](#) ([Dababneh D](#)) Financing requirements: property improvements.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: On Bill Financing/ PACE

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, LEAGUE- Support

Summary: Current law authorizes the legislative body of a public agency, as defined, to determine that it would be convenient, advantageous, and in the public interest to designate an area within which authorized public agency officials and property owners may enter into voluntary contractual assessments to finance certain improvements. This bill would also prohibit a public agency from permitting a property owner to participate in a program pursuant to these provisions unless the property owner satisfies certain conditions and the property owner is given the right to cancel the contractual assessment at any time prior to midnight on the 3rd business day after certain events occur without penalty or obligation, consistent with certain requirements.

[AB 2722](#) ([Burke D](#)) Transformative Climate Communities Program.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, LEAGUE- Support

Summary: Would create the Transformative Climate Communities Program, to be administered by the Strategic Growth Council. The bill would require the council to award competitive grants to specified eligible entities for the development and implementation of neighborhood-level transformative climate community plans that include greenhouse gas emissions reduction projects that provide local economic, environmental, and health benefits to disadvantaged communities, as defined. The bill would require the council to develop guidelines and selection criteria for the implementation of the program.

[AB 2729](#) ([Williams D](#)) Oil and gas: operations.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Natural Gas

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Current law provides that an active observation well is not an idle well. This bill would limit the definition of "active observation well," and would expand the definitions of "idle well" and "long-term idle well" by no longer excluding active observation wells from their definitions. The bill would provide that the abandoned underground personal property, including a well, of an operator becomes the property of the mineral interest owner when the operator loses the right to remove the personal property under common law or under a lease or any other agreement that initially gave the operator the right to drill, operate, maintain, or control the well.

[AB 2756](#) ([Thurmond D](#)) Oil and gas operations: enforcement actions.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Natural Gas

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Current law provides that a person who violates certain requirements related to the regulation of oil and gas is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed \$25,000 for each violation. Current law requires the State Oil and Gas Supervisor to consider specified circumstances when establishing the amount of the civil penalty. This bill would require the supervisor to consider specified additional circumstances when establishing the amount of the civil penalty. The bill would set ranges of civil penalty amounts depending on whether the violation is a well stimulation violation, a major violation, or a minor violation, as defined.

[AB 2800](#) (Quirk D) Climate change: infrastructure planning.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would, until July 1, 2020, require state agencies to take into account the current and future impacts of climate change when planning, designing, building, operating, maintaining, and investing in state infrastructure. The bill, by July 1, 2017, and until July 1, 2020, would require the agency to establish a Climate-Safe Infrastructure Working Group for the purpose of examining how to integrate scientific data concerning projected climate change impacts into state infrastructure engineering, as prescribed.

[AB 2801](#) (Gallagher R) Local government: fees and charges: written protest.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Prop 218

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch, LEAGUE- Watch

Summary: Current statutory law provides notice, protest, and hearing procedures for the levying of new or increased fees or charges by local government agencies pursuant to Article XIII D of the California Constitution. Under current statutory law, one written protest per parcel, filed by an owner or tenant of the parcel, is counted in calculating a majority protest to a proposed new or increased fee or charge. This bill would require the agency to maintain the written protests for a minimum of 2 years following the date of the hearing to consider the written protests. By increasing the duties of local officials, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[AB 2861](#) (Ting D) Electricity: distribution grid interconnection dispute resolution process.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Regulatory

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would authorize the Public Utilities Commission to establish an expedited distribution grid interconnection dispute resolution process, as specified, with the goal of resolving disputes over interconnection applications within the jurisdiction of the commission in no more than 60 days from the time the dispute is formally brought to the commission. The bill would require the commission to appoint a qualified electrical systems engineer with substantial interconnection expertise to advise the director of the energy division and to provide adequate commission staff to assist in resolving interconnection disputes.

[AB 2868](#) (Gatto D) Energy storage.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: Would require the PUC, in consultation with the State Air Resources Board and the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, to direct the state's 3 largest electrical corporations to file applications for programs and investments to accelerate widespread deployment of distributed energy storage systems, as defined. The bill would authorize the PUC to approve, or modify and approve, programs and investments in distributed energy storage systems, as provided, and would require the PUC to prioritize those programs and investments that provide distributed energy storage systems to public sector and low-income customers.

[AB 2874](#) (Gaines, Beth R) Groundwater sustainability agencies: fees.

Status: CHAPTERED

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act authorizes a groundwater sustainability agency to impose fees, including, but not limited to, permit fees and fees on groundwater extraction or other regulated activity, to fund the costs of a groundwater sustainability program. This bill would require a groundwater sustainability agency, before imposing or increasing a fee pursuant to this authority relating to a groundwater basin that includes a water corporation regulated by the Public Utilities Commission, to notify the Public Utilities Commission. This bill contains other existing laws.

[AB 2890](#) (Committee on Environmental Safety and Toxic Materi) Drinking water and wastewater operator certification programs.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch, LEAGUE- Watch

Summary: Current law requires the State Water Resources Control Board to examine and certify persons as to their qualifications to supervise or operate water treatment plants and water distribution systems. Current law requires the certification to indicate the classification of water treatment plant or water distribution system that the person is qualified to supervise or operate. This bill would require the board to appoint an advisory committee to assist it in carrying out its responsibilities to examine and certify people to operate water treatment plants and water distribution systems. This bill would require the advisory committee to review all proposed regulations and make recommendations to the board.

[SB 7](#) (Wolk D) Housing: water meters: multiunit structures.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Conservation

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support if Amended,

Summary: *Would express the intent of the Legislature to encourage the conservation of water in multifamily residential rental buildings through means either within the landlord's or the tenant's control, and to establish that the practices involving the submetering of dwelling units for water service are just and reasonable, and include appropriate safeguards for both tenants and landlords. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

SB 9 (Beall D) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Neutral

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would modify the purpose of the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program to delete references to operational investments and instead provide for the funding of transformative capital improvements, as defined, that will modernize California's intercity, commuter, and urban rail systems and bus and ferry transit systems to achieve certain policy objectives, including reducing emissions of greenhouse gases, expanding and improving transit services to increase ridership, and improving transit safety.*

SB 13 (Pavley D) Groundwater.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support if Amended, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would specify that the State Water Resources Control Board is authorized to designate a high- or medium-priority basin as a probationary basin. This bill would provide a local agency or groundwater sustainability agency 90 or 180 days, as prescribed, to remedy certain deficiencies that caused the board to designate the basin as a probationary basin. This bill would authorize the board to develop an interim plan for certain probationary basins one year after the designation of the basin as a probationary basin.*

SB 32 (Pavley D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: emissions limit.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Support, SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Air Resources Board to ensure that statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to 40% below the 1990 level by 2030. This bill contains other related provisions.*

Attachment: [SB 32 PWP Support letter](#)

Action Item: Letter to Governor: Sign

Notes: *The passage of SB 32 was joined to AB 197. If one bill failed, both bills would fail. AB 197 contained unfavorable last minute amendments which require California Air Resources Board to "prioritize direct emission reductions" from stationary sources i.e. power plants.*

SB 62 (Hill D) Public Utilities Commission: Office of the Safety Advocate.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would, until January 1, 2020, establish within the Public Utilities Commission the Office of the Safety Advocate to advocate for the continuous, cost-effective improvement of the safety management and safety performance of public utilities. The bill would require the office to annually provide specified information to the chairpersons of the appropriate fiscal and policy committees of each house of the Legislature.*

SB 83 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) Public Resources.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: *Current law regulates real property acquired and operated by the state as wildlife management areas, and requires the Department of Fish and Wildlife, when income is directly derived from that real property, as provided, to annually pay to the county in which the property is located an amount equal to the county taxes levied upon the property at the time it was transferred to the state. Current law further requires the department to pay the assessments levied upon the property by any irrigation, drainage, or reclamation district, and requires all of those payments to be made from funds available to the department. This bill would authorize, instead of require, the department to make these payments and only from funds appropriated to the department for those purposes.*

SB 88 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) Water.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose

Summary: *Would authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to order consolidation with a receiving water system where a public water system, or a state small water system within a disadvantaged community, consistently fails to provide an adequate supply of safe drinking water. This bill would authorize the state board to order the extension of service to an area that does not have access to an adequate supply of safe drinking water so long as the extension of service is an interim extension of service in preparation for consolidation.*

SB 101 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) Budget Act of 2015.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Cap & Trade

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *The Budget Act of 2015 made appropriations for the support of state government for the 2015-16 fiscal year. This bill would amend the Budget Act of 2015 by revising items of appropriation and making other changes. This bill contains other related provisions.*

SB 122 (Jackson D) California Environmental Quality Act: record of proceedings.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch, SCWC- Support

Summary: CEQA establishes a procedure for the preparation and certification of the record of proceedings upon the filing of an action or proceeding challenging a lead agency's action on the grounds of noncompliance with CEQA. This bill would require the lead agency, at the request of a project applicant and consent of the lead agency, to prepare a record of proceedings concurrently with the preparation of a negative declaration, mitigated negative declaration, EIR, or other environmental document for projects. This bill contains other related provisions.

[SB 188 \(Hancock D\)](#) Municipal utility district: utility charges: delinquencies.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: The Municipal Utility District Act authorizes a municipal utility district, by resolution or ordinance, to require the owner of record of privately owned real property within the district to pay the fees, tolls, rates, rentals, or other charges for certain utility services rendered to a lessee, tenant, or subtenant, and provides that those charges that have become delinquent, together with interest and penalties, are a lien on the property when a certificate is filed by the district in the office of the county recorder and that the lien has the force, effect, and priority of a judgment lien. This bill would extend the operation of these provisions indefinitely.

[SB 208 \(Lara D\)](#) Integrated regional water management plans: grants: advanced payment.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support

Summary: Would require a regional water management group, within 90 days of notice that a grant has been awarded, to provide the Department of Water Resources with a list of projects to be funded by the grant funds where the project proponent is a nonprofit organization, as defined, or a disadvantaged community, as defined, or the project benefits a disadvantaged community. This bill would require the department, within 60 days of receiving the project information, to provide advanced payment of 50% of the grant award for those projects that satisfy specified criteria and would require the advanced funds to be handled, as prescribed.

Attachment: [PWP Support AWPWC 2015_06_25](#)

Action Item: Letter(s) to Legislature, Floor Alert

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[SB 215 \(Leno D\)](#) Public Utilities Commission.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Regulatory

PWP Position: Neutral

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to additionally adopt procedures on the disqualification of commissioners due to bias or prejudice similar to those of other state agencies and superior courts. For ratesetting or adjudicatory proceedings, the bill would require a commissioner or an administrative law judge to be disqualified for bias or prejudice based on specified criteria. The bill would prohibit commission procedures from authorizing a commissioner or administrative law judge to rule on a motion made by a party to a proceeding to disqualify the commissioner or administrative law judge due to bias or prejudice.

[SB 226 \(Pavley D\)](#) Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: groundwater adjudication.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: Current law authorizes a court to order a reference to the State Water Resources Control Board, as referee, of any and all issues involved in a suit brought in any court of competent jurisdiction in this state for determination of rights to water. This bill would authorize the state to intervene in a comprehensive adjudication conducted as specified in AB 1390 of the 2015- 16 Regular Session. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[SB 241 \(Bates R\)](#) Neighborhood electric vehicles.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Current law, until January 1, 2017, authorizes the County of Orange to establish a neighborhood electric vehicle (NEV) transportation plan for the Ranch Plan Planned Community in that county. Under current law, operation of a neighborhood electric vehicle in violation of certain provisions is an infraction. This bill would extend the operative period of these provisions until January 1, 2022. By extending the operative period of a crime, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

[SB 246 \(Wieckowski D\)](#) Climate change adaptation.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would establish the Integrated Climate Adaptation and Resiliency Program to be administered by the Office of Planning and Research to coordinate regional and local efforts with state climate adaptation strategies to adapt to the impacts of climate change, as specified. The bill also would require, within one year of an update to the Safeguarding California Plan, the Office of Emergency Services, in coordination with the Natural Resources Agency, the Office of Planning and Research, and relevant public and private entities, to review and update, as necessary, the Adaptation Planning Guide, as specified.

[SB 272 \(Hertzberg D\)](#) The California Public Records Act: local agencies: inventory.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Regulatory

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: *Would require each local agency, except a local educational agency, in implementing the California Public Records Act, to create a catalog of enterprise systems, as defined, to make the catalog publicly available upon request in the office of the person or officer designated by the agency's legislative body, and to post the catalog on the local agency's Internet Web site.*

[SB 331](#) ([Mendoza D](#)) **Public contracts: local agencies: negotiations.**

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Regulatory

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would enact the Civic Reporting Openness in Negotiations Efficiency Act to establish specific procedures for the negotiation and approval of certain contracts valued at \$250,000 or more for goods or services by cities, counties, cities and counties, or special districts that have adopted a civic openness in negotiations ordinance, or COIN ordinance, defined as an ordinance imposing specified requirements as part of any collective bargaining process undertaken pursuant to the Meyers-Miliias-Brown Act. The act would require the designation of an independent auditor to review and report on the cost of any proposed contract.*

[SB 350](#) ([De León D](#)) **Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act of 2015.**

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Energy Efficiency, Renewable Portfolio Standards

PWP Position: Support if Amended

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support if Amended, SCPPA- Support if Amended, ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Current law establishes the California Renewables Portfolio Standards (RPS) Program, which is codified in the Public Utilities Act, with the target to increase the amount of electricity generated per year from eligible renewable energy resources to an amount that equals at least 33% of the total electricity sold to retail customers per year by December 31, 2020. This bill would require that the amount of electricity generated and sold to retail customers per year from eligible renewable energy resources be increased to 50% by December 31, 2030, as provided.*

Attachment: [6/11 CMUA Email: CMUA "high priority" amendments](#)

Action Item: Meeting, Hearing or Testimony

Notes: *Sen. de Leon's team is in discussions to include flexibility and requested amendments for fully resourced utilities. Hold off opposing the leader of the Senate's bill pending final disposition of amendments.*

[SB 380](#) ([Pavley D](#)) **Natural gas storage: moratorium.**

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Natural Gas

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch, LEAGUE- Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Oil and Gas Supervisor to continue the prohibition against Southern California Gas Company injecting any natural gas into the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility located in the County of Los Angeles until a comprehensive review of the safety of the gas storage wells at the facility is completed, as specified, the supervisor determines that well integrity has been ensured by the review, the risks of failures identified in the review have been addressed, the supervisor's duty to prevent damage to life, health, property, and natural resources, and other requirements is satisfied, and the Executive Director of the Public Utilities Commission has concurred via letter with the supervisor regarding his or her determination of safety.*

[SB 385](#) ([Hueso D](#)) **Primary drinking water standards: hexavalent chromium: compliance plan.**

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support, MWD- Support, SCWC- Support, ACWA- Sponsor

Summary: *Would authorize, until January 1, 2020, the State Water Resources Control Board, at the request of a public water system that prepares and submits a compliance plan to the state board, to grant a period of time to achieve compliance with the primary drinking water standard for hexavalent chromium by approving the compliance plan, as prescribed. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[SB 438](#) ([Hill D](#)) **Earthquake safety: statewide earthquake early warning program and system.**

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *The California Emergency Services Act requires the Office of Emergency Services to develop in collaboration with specified entities a comprehensive statewide earthquake early warning system in California through a public-private partnership, as specified. The act requires the office to identify funding for the system through single or multiple sources of revenue, and requires those sources to exclude the General Fund and to be limited to federal funds, funds from revenue bonds, local funds, and funds from private sources. This bill would discontinue the requirement that the funding sources for the system exclude the General Fund and be limited to federal funds, funds from revenue bonds, local funds, and funds from private sources.*

[SB 489](#) ([Monning D](#)) **Hazardous waste: photovoltaic modules.**

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Solar (PV)

PWP Position: Neutral

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would authorize the Department of Toxic Substances Control to adopt regulations to designate end-of-life photovoltaic modules that are identified as hazardous waste as a universal waste and subject those modules to universal waste management. The bill would authorize the department to revise the regulations as necessary. Because a violation of these regulations would be a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws..*

Notes: This bill provides for the recycling and disposal of solar panels.

[SB 552](#) ([Wolk D](#)) **Public water systems: disadvantaged communities: consolidation or extension of service: administrative and managerial services.**

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: MWD- Watch, ACWA- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: *Would authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to order consolidation where a public water system or a state small water system is serving, rather than within, a disadvantaged community, and would limit the authority of the state board to order consolidation or extension of service to provide that authority only with regard to a disadvantaged community. This bill would make a community disadvantaged for these purposes if the community is in a mobilehome park even if it is not in an unincorporated area or served by a mutual water company. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[SB 555](#) ([Wolk D](#)) **Urban retail water suppliers: water loss management.**

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch, CMUA- Oppose unless Amended, MWD- Watch, SCWC- Watch

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Summary: *Would require each urban retail water supplier, on or before October 1, 2017, and on or before October 1 of each year thereafter, to submit a completed and validated water loss audit report for the previous calendar year or previous fiscal year as prescribed by rules adopted by the Department of Water Resources on or before January 1, 2017, and updated as provided. The bill would require the department to post all validated water loss audit reports on its Internet Web site in a manner that allows for comparisons across water suppliers and to make these reports available for public viewing.*

Attachment: [Author Fact Sheet, as amended 4/7/15](#)

Notes: *Requires water retailers to conduct water loss audits.*

[SB 661](#) ([Hill D](#)) **Protection of subsurface installations.**

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch, LEAGUE- Watch

Summary: *Current law requires every operator of a subsurface installation, except the Department of Transportation, to become a member of, participate in, and share in the costs of, a regional notification center. Current law requires any person who plans to conduct any excavation to contact the appropriate regional notification center before commencing that excavation, as specified. Current law defines a subsurface installation as any underground pipeline, conduit, duct, wire, or other structure. This bill, the Dig Safe Act of 2016, would define terms for its purposes, including, among others, defining "working day" for purposes of determining excavation start date and time.*

[SB 664](#) ([Hertzberg D](#)) **Water: urban water management planning.**

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, MWD- Watch, ACWA- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: *Would require an urban water supplier to include within its plan, beginning January 1, 2020, a seismic risk assessment and mitigation plan to assess the vulnerability of each of the various facilities of a water system and mitigate those vulnerabilities. This bill would authorize an urban water supplier to comply with this requirement by submitting a copy of the most recent adopted local hazard mitigation plan or multihazard mitigation plan under specified federal law that addresses seismic risk.*

Notes: *Would require seismic risk assessments for water facilities.*

[SB 793](#) ([Wolk D](#)) **Green Tariff Shared Renewables Program.**

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Net Metering/Feed in Tariff **PWP Position:** Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the Public Utilities Commission to additionally require that a participating utility's green tariff shared renewables program permit a participating customer to subscribe to the program and be provided with a nonbinding estimate of reasonably anticipated bill credits and bill charges, as determined by the commission, for a period of up to 20 years. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[SB 814](#) ([Hill D](#)) **Drought: excessive water use: urban retail water suppliers.**

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Resources

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose, CMUA- Neutral

Summary: *Would declare that during prescribed periods excessive water use by a residential customer in a single-family residence or by a customer in a multiunit housing complex, as specified, is prohibited. This bill, during prescribed periods, would require each urban retail water supplier to establish a method to identify and discourage excessive water use. This bill would authorize as a method to identify and discourage excessive water use the establishment of a rate structure that includes block tiers, water budgets, or rate surcharges over and above base rates for excessive water use by residential customers.*

[SB 824](#) ([Beall D](#)) **Low Carbon Transit Operations Program.**

Status: CHAPTERED

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Current law continuously appropriates specified portions of the annual proceeds in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to various programs, including 5% for the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program, for expenditures to provide transit operating or capital assistance consistent with specified criteria. Current law provides for distribution of available funds under the program by a specified formula to recipient transit agencies by the Controller, upon approval of the recipient transit agency's proposed expenditures by the Department of Transportation. This bill would require a recipient transit agency to demonstrate that each expenditure of program moneys allocated to the agency does not supplant another source of funds.

SB 859 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) Public resources: greenhouse gas emissions and biomass.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, LEAGUE- Watch

Summary: The Cannella Environmental Farming Act of 1995 requires the Secretary of Food and Agriculture to convene a 5-member Scientific Advisory Panel on Environmental Farming, as prescribed, for the purpose of providing advice and assistance to federal, state, and local government agencies on issues relating to air, water, and wildlife habitat, as specified. Current law authorizes the panel to establish ad hoc committees to assist the panel in performing its functions. This bill would increase the number of members on the panel from 5 to 9 members and would require that the secretary appoint 5 instead of 3 of these members, the Secretary for Environmental Protection appoint 2 instead of one of these members, and the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency appoint 2 instead of one of these members, as prescribed.

SB 887 (Pavley D) Natural gas storage wells.

Status: CHAPTERED

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would require the operator of a gas storage well, before January 1, 2018, to have commenced a mechanical integrity testing regime specified by the Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources and would require the division to promulgate regulations that establish standards for all gas storage wells, as specified. This bill would require the division to determine by regulation what constitutes a reportable leak from a gas storage well and the timeframe for reporting those leaks, as specified. Until the regulations are in effect, this bill would require the operator to notify the division immediately of a leak of any size from a gas storage well.

SB 888 (Allen D) Gas corporations: emergency management: leak mitigation.

Status: CHAPTERED

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would establish the Office of Emergency Services as the lead agency for emergency response to a large, ongoing leak or release of natural gas and associated gases from a natural gas storage facility that poses a significant present or potential hazard to the public health and safety, property, or the environment. The bill would require the Office of Emergency Services to coordinate among other state and local agencies the emergency response, public health and environmental assessment, monitoring, and long-term management and control of the leak. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 968 (Monning D) Diablo Canyon Units 1 and 2 powerplant.

Status: CHAPTERED

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to cause an assessment to be completed by no later than July 1, 2018, conducted by an independent 3rd party, selected as specified, of the adverse and beneficial economic impacts, and net economic effects, that could occur, and of potential ways for the state and local jurisdictions to mitigate the adverse economic impact, if the Diablo Canyon Units 1 and 2 powerplant were to temporarily or permanently shut down before the powerplant's current operating licenses expire or when the Pacific Gas and Electric Company closes the powerplant upon the expiration of its current licenses.

SB 1000 (Leyva D) Land use: general plans: safety and environmental justice.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: The Planning and Zoning Law requires, after the initial revision of the safety element to address flooding, fires, and climate adaptation and resilience strategies, that for each subsequent revision the planning agency review and, if necessary, revise the safety element to identify new information that was not available during the previous revision of the safety element. This bill would instead require a planning agency to review and revise the safety element to identify new information, as described above, only to address flooding and fires.

Attachment: [PPIC Blog: Linking Land Use and Water Decisions 2016-02-24](#)

SB 1028 (Hill D) Electrical corporations: local publicly owned electric utilities: electrical cooperatives: wildfire mitigation plans.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Safety

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would require each electrical corporation, local publicly owned electric utility, and electrical cooperative to construct, maintain, and operate its electrical lines and equipment in a manner that will minimize the risk of catastrophic wildfire posed by those electrical lines and equipment. The bill would require each electrical corporation to annually prepare a wildfire mitigation plan.

Notes: PWP has had a Wildfire Mitigation Plan for many years. This bill requires PWP to present this plan to the MSC on a regular interval, as determined by the MSC.

SB 1030 (McGuire D) Sonoma County Regional Climate Protection Authority.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: Current law authorizes the Sonoma County Regional Climate Protection Authority to develop, coordinate, and implement programs and policies to comply with the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 and other federal or state mandates and programs designed to respond to greenhouse gas emissions and climate change. This bill would extend these provisions indefinitely. By extending the duties of the Sonoma County Regional Climate Protection Authority, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

SB 1069 (Wieckowski D) Land use: zoning.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Rates & Tariffs

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Oppose, ACWA- Watch, LEAGUE- Oppose

Summary: The Planning and Zoning Law authorizes the legislative body of a city or county to regulate, among other things, the intensity of land use, and also authorizes a local agency to provide by ordinance for the creation of 2nd units in single-family and multifamily residential zones, as specified. That law makes findings and declarations with respect to the value of 2nd units to California's housing supply. This bill would replace the term "second unit" with "accessory dwelling unit" throughout the law.

SB 1089 (Pavley D) Wildlife Conservation Board.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would expand the composition of the Wildlife Conservation Board to include 4 public members to serve terms of 4 years each and would require one public member to be appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly, one public member to be appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules, and 2 public members to be appointed by the Governor. This bill would require the public members appointed to the board to have demonstrated interest and expertise in land acquisition for conservation purposes.

SB 1112 (Cannella R) Utilities: water and sewer system corporations: transactions.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: Would provide that if a water or sewer system corporation or an entity merging with or acquiring control of a water or sewer system corporation with less than 2,000 service connections fails to receive the Public Utilities Commission's approval before entering into any of the specified transactions valued at \$5,000,000 or less, the transaction is voidable by the commission until the commission either retroactively approves or conditionally approves the transaction. The bill would authorize the commission to delegate this approval authority to a specified division director. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Notes: RK) ACWA 3/18/16 SLC: Watch/Amend taken Staff Recommended Position: Pending Committee Input

Bob Reeb) noted that this is a way out for water utilities thru the PUC

Greg Morrison) shared their experience with a small water company that they had to consolidate that had not been noticed by the PUC for 50 years

Wendy/ACWA) thought the PUC might pushback the SWRCB empire

SLC will look at this bill again at the 4/8 meeting

SB 1171 (Committee on Judiciary) Maintenance of the codes.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Net Metering/Feed in Tariff **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: Current law directs the Legislative Counsel to advise the Legislature from time to time as to legislation necessary to maintain the codes. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes in various provisions of law to effectuate the recommendations made by the Legislative Counsel to the Legislature.

SB 1207 (Hueso D) Energy: conservation: financial assistance.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, LEAGUE- Watch

Summary: Current law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to administer the State Energy Conservation Assistance Account, a continuously appropriated account in the General Fund, to provide grants and loans, until January 1, 2018, to schools, hospitals, public care institutions, and local governments to maximize energy use savings. This bill would extend the operation of those provisions to January 1, 2028, and would thereby make an appropriation by extending the time during which the funds deposited in a continuously appropriated account are made available for expenditure.

SB 1260 (Allen D) Stormwater: municipalities: online resource center.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Resources

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would require the State Water Resources Control Board to establish an online resource center that addresses measures available for municipalities to comply with municipal stormwater permit requirements and would authorize the inclusion of certain information.

SB 1262 (Pavley D) Water supply planning.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board to designate a basin as a probationary basin if the state board makes a certain determination and to develop an interim plan for the probationary basin. This bill would require a city or county that determines a project is subject to the California Environmental Quality Act to identify any water system whose service area includes the project site and any water system adjacent to the project site. This bill would provide that hauled water is not a source

of water for the purposes of a water supply assessment, as specified.

[SB 1263](#) ([Wieckowski D](#)) Public water system: permits.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Neutral, ACWA- Watch, LEAGUE- Watch

Summary: *Would require a person submitting an application for a permit for a proposed new public water system to first submit a preliminary technical report to the State Water Resources Control Board at least 6 months before initiating construction of any water-related improvement, as defined. Because a misstatement in the report could be a crime under the provision described above, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program by expanding the scope of a crime.*

[SB 1374](#) ([Lara D](#)) The Lower Los Angeles River Recreation and Park District.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would specifically authorize the establishment of the Lower Los Angeles River Recreation and Park District, by petition or resolution submitted to the Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation Commission before January 1, 2019, subject to specified current laws governing recreation and park districts, including their formation, except as provided. The bill would authorize specified city councils and the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors to appoint the initial board of directors of the district.*

[SB 1383](#) ([Lara D](#)) Short-lived climate pollutants: methane emissions: dairy and livestock: organic waste: landfills.

Status: CHAPTERED

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *The State Air Resources Board is required to complete a comprehensive strategy to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants, as defined, in the state. This bill would require the state board, no later than January 1, 2018, to approve and begin implementing that comprehensive strategy to reduce emissions of short-lived climate pollutants to achieve a reduction in methane by 40%, hydrofluorocarbon gases by 40%, and anthropogenic black carbon by 50% below 2013 levels by 2030, as specified. The bill also would establish specified targets for reducing organic waste in landfills.*

[SB 1386](#) ([Wolk D](#)) Resource conservation: working and natural lands.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, MWD- Watch

Summary: *Would declare it to be the policy of the state that the protection and management of natural and working lands, as defined, is an important strategy in meeting the state's greenhouse gas reduction goals, and would require all state agencies, departments, boards, and commissions to consider this policy when revising, adopting, or establishing policies, regulations, expenditures, or grant criteria relating to the protection and management of natural and working lands.*

[SB 1393](#) ([De León D](#)) Energy efficiency and pollution reduction.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission) to compile and adopt an integrated energy policy report every 2 years and requires the report to include an overview of major energy trends and issues facing the state. As part of the 2019 edition of the report, current law requires the Energy Commission to evaluate the actual energy efficiency savings from negative therm interactive effects generated as a result of electricity efficiency improvements. This bill would additionally require the Energy Commission to include that evaluation in each report adopted after 2019.*

Notes: *This bill was intended to "clean-up" outstanding issues from SB 350 (DeLeon 2015). Pasadena issues relating to the fully-resourced utilities exemption did not get addressed in this bill. This and other issues are to be addressed in 2017 legislation.*

[SB 1398](#) ([Leyva D](#)) Public water systems: lead user service lines.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: *Would require a public water system to compile an inventory of known lead user service lines in use in its distribution system and identify areas that may have lead user service lines in use in its distribution system by July 1, 2018. This bill would require a public water system, after completing the inventory, to provide a timeline for replacement of known lead user service lines in the distribution system to the State Water Resources Control Board.*

Notes: *As of early 2016, Pasadena no longer has lead service lines in its water distribution system.*

[SB 1414](#) ([Wolk D](#)) Energy.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the Energy Commission, by January 1, 2019, to approve a plan that will promote compliance with specified regulations in the installation of central air conditioning and heat pumps. The bill would authorize the Energy Commission to adopt regulations to increase compliance with permitting and inspection requirements for central air conditioning and heat pumps, and associated sales and installations, consistent with that plan. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

SB 1416 (Stone R) Voluntary contribution: Revive the Salton Sea Fund.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support if Amended

Summary: *Would allow an individual to designate on his or her tax return that a specified amount in excess of his or her tax liability be transferred to the Revive the Salton Sea Fund, which would be created by this bill. The bill would prohibit a voluntary contribution designation for the Revive the Salton Sea Fund from being added on the tax return until another voluntary contribution designation is removed or a space is available and would require, once the designation is added, specified information to be on the tax form, including the purposes for which the contribution would be used. This bill contains other related provisions.*

SB 1422 (Glazer D) Public utilities and other service suppliers: collection of local taxes.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *The Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act of 2006 establishes a procedure for the issuance of state franchises for the provision of video service, defined to include cable service and open-video systems, administered by the Public Utilities Commission. This bill would explicitly define the term "other service supplier" for the purpose of those provisions to include, but not be limited to, a holder of a state franchise for the provision of video service.*

SB 1425 (Pavley D) Water-energy nexus registry.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG,
Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support if Amended,
ACWA- Watch

Summary: *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. This bill would require the agency to oversee the development of a registry for greenhouse gas emissions resulting from the water-energy nexus using the best available data. The bill would authorize the agency to enter into a contract with a qualified nonprofit organization to develop and administer the registry, which would include, among other things, the above-stated actions of the former California Climate Action Registry as those relate to the water-energy nexus.*

SB 1456 (Galgiani D) Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Law of 1997: water systems: financing.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Current law, for community public water systems and not-for-profit noncommunity public water systems, allows planning and preliminary engineering studies, project design, and construction costs incurred by those public water systems to be funded by loans and other repayable financing. This bill would authorize the above-described costs to be funded by loans or other repayable financing, grants, principal forgiveness, or a combination of grants and loans or other financial assistance, regardless of whether the community water system or not-for-profit noncommunity water system is owned by a public agency or private not-for-profit water company.*

SB 1464 (De León D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: greenhouse gas emissions reduction.

Status: CHAPTERED

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the Department of Finance, in consultation with the state board and any other relevant state agency, to develop and update, as specified, a 3-year investment plan for the moneys deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Current law requires the investment plan to, among other things, identify priority programmatic investments of moneys that will facilitate the achievement of feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emissions reductions toward achievement of greenhouse gas reduction goals and targets by sector. This bill would require, in identifying priority programmatic investments, that the investment plan assess how proposed investments interact with current state regulations, policies, and programs, and evaluate if and how the proposed investments could be incorporated into existing programs.*

DEAD/VETOED

AB 14 (Waldron R) Unmanned aircraft: identification requirements.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Neutral

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA-
Watch

Summary: *Would require, beginning January 1, 2017, a person or public or private entity that owns or operates an unmanned aircraft, as defined, to place specified identifying information or digitally store identifying information on that unmanned aircraft. The bill would exempt model aircraft, as defined, from that requirement. The bill would make a person or entity that violates that provision liable for a civil fine not to exceed \$2,500. The bill would authorize the Attorney General, a district attorney, county counsel, or a city attorney to bring an action to recover that fine, as specified.*

AB 23 (Patterson R) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: market-based compliance mechanisms: exemption.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Cap & Trade

PWP Position: Oppose

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, SCPPA-
Oppose

Summary: *The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 authorizes the State Air Resources Board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Current state board regulations require specified entities to comply with a market-based compliance mechanism beginning January 1, 2013, and require additional specified entities to comply with that market-based compliance mechanism*

beginning January 1, 2015. This bill would instead exempt those categories of persons or entities that did not have a compliance obligation, as defined, under a market-based compliance mechanism beginning January 1, 2013, from being subject to that market-based compliance mechanism through December 31, 2020.

Action Item: Letter Due

Notes: This bill would exempt the transportation sector from C&T.

[AB 56](#) ([Quirk D](#)) Budget Act of 2016.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would amend the Budget Act of 2016 to reappropriate and encumber the funds from the Building Equity and Growth in Neighborhoods Fund that were encumbered as of June 29, 2016, but that were not liquidated on or before June 30, 2016, for the same purposes that the funds are encumbered for as of June 29, 2016. This bill would make the funds available for liquidation of encumbrances until June 30, 2018. This bill contains other related provisions.

[AB 78](#) ([Mathis R](#)) Groundwater basins.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: Current law requires the Department of Water Resources to categorize each basin or subbasin as high-, medium-, low-, or very low priority and to establish ground water the initial priority for each basin no later than January 31, 2015. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to this provision.

[AB 88](#) ([Gomez D](#)) Sales and use taxes: exemption: energy or water efficient home appliances.

Status: VETOED

Subject: Energy Efficiency, Water Conservation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: Would, until January 1, 2021, exempt from sales and use taxes the gross receipts from the sale of, and the storage, use, or other consumption in this state of, an energy or water efficient home appliance purchased by a public utility that is provided at no cost to a low-income participant in a federal, state, or ratepayer-funded energy or water efficiency program for use by that low-income participant in the energy efficiency program. The bill would define terms for its purposes.

[AB 115](#) ([Committee on Budget](#)) Water.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to order consolidation with a receiving water system where a public water system, or a state small water system within a disadvantaged community, consistently fails to provide an adequate supply of safe drinking water. This bill would authorize the state board to order the extension of service to an area that does not have access to an adequate supply of safe drinking water so long as the extension of service is an interim extension of service in preparation for consolidation.

[AB 134](#) ([Committee on Budget](#)) Budget Act of 2015.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Cap & Trade

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: The Budget Act of 2015 made appropriations for the support of state government for the 2015-16 fiscal year. This bill would amend the Budget Act of 2015 by revising items of appropriation and making other changes. This bill contains other related provisions.

[AB 140](#) ([Allen, Travis R](#)) Distributed generation.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Distributed Generation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Current law require the Public Utilities Commission, on or before January 1, 2010, and biennially thereafter, in consultation with the Independent System Operator and the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, to study, and submit a report to the Legislature and the Governor, on the impacts of distributed energy generation on the state's distribution and transmission grid. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive revision to this requirement.

[AB 152](#) ([Bigelow R](#)) Water rights: appropriation.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: Under current law, the State Water Resources Control Board administers a water rights program pursuant to which the board grants permits and licenses to appropriate water. Current law requires the board to allow the appropriation for beneficial purposes of unappropriated water under terms and conditions as in its judgment will best develop, conserve, and utilize in the public interest the water sought to be appropriated. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to these provisions.

[AB 153](#) ([Bigelow R](#)) Integrated regional water management planning.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: Current law authorizes a regional water management group to prepare and adopt an integrated regional water management plan with specified components. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to that provision.

[AB 175](#) ([Mathis R](#)) Electricity.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would make nonsubstantive revisions to the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission's certification requirements. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 213](#) ([Ridley-Thomas D](#)) Energy efficiency: light emitting diode (LED) lighting products.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to prescribe energy efficiency standards, including standards applicable to lighting products. This bill would prohibit the commission from adopting a color rendering index (CRI) value greater than the CRI value set forth in the United State Environmental Protection Agency Energy Star program, as a part of energy efficiency standards for lighting products, unless the commission makes certain findings.*

[AB 228](#) ([Waldron R](#)) State Water Resources Development System: reporting requirement.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Resources

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Under current law, the Department of Water Resources operates the State Water Resources Development System. Current law requires the department, on or before January 10, 2010, and annually thereafter, to prepare and submit to the chairpersons of the fiscal committees of the Legislature a report, as prescribed, about the budget of the State Water Resources Development System. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change in these provisions.*

[AB 239](#) ([Gallagher R](#)) Greenhouse gases: regulations.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would prohibit the State Air Resources Board, on and after January 1, 2016, from adopting or amending regulations pursuant to the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006. The bill would authorize the board to submit to the Legislature recommendations on how to achieve the goals of the act.*

[AB 300](#) ([Alejo D](#)) Safe Water and Wildlife Protection Act of 2016.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would enact the Safe Water and Wildlife Protection Act of 2016, which would require the State Water Resources Control Board to establish and coordinate the Algal Bloom Task Force, comprised of specified representatives of state agencies, including the conservancy, in consultation with the Secretary for Environmental Protection, and would prescribe the functions and duties of the task force.*

[AB 307](#) ([Mathis R](#)) Graywater: groundwater recharge.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to explicitly permit the usage of residential, commercial, and industrial graywater for the recharge of a groundwater basin or aquifer.*

[AB 311](#) ([Gallagher R](#)) Environmental quality: Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Bond

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: *Would require a public agency, in certifying an environmental impact report and in granting approvals for specified water storage projects funded, in whole or in part, by Proposition 1, to comply with specified procedures. Because a public agency would be required to comply with those new procedures, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would authorize the public agency to concurrently prepare the record of proceedings for the project. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

Attachment: [Assemblyman Gallagher Introduces Legislation to Help Expedite Water Storage Projects 2015-02-12](#)

Notes: RK) ACWA position: NOT FAVOR UNLESS AMENDED

[AB 356](#) ([Williams D](#)) Oil and gas: groundwater monitoring.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would authorize the State Oil and Gas Supervisor to require a well operator to implement a monitoring program for belowground oil production tanks and facilities, and disposal and injection wells. Because a failure to comply with this requirement would be a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 415](#) ([Chávez R](#)) Green Tariff Shared Renewables Program.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Net Metering/Feed in Tariff **PWP Position:** Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *The Green Tariff Shared Renewables Program requires a participating utility, defined as being an electrical corporation with 100,000 or more customers in California, to file with the commission an application requesting approval of a tariff to implement a program enabling ratepayers to participate in electrical generation facilities that use eligible renewable energy resources, consistent with certain legislative findings and statements of intent. This bill would make a nonsubstantive revision to the legislative findings and statements of intent.*

AB 452 (Bigelow R) Water Rights Fund: groundwater regulation.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Current law establishes groundwater reporting requirements for a person extracting groundwater in an area within a basin that is not within the management area of a groundwater sustainability agency or that is a probationary basin. Current law establishes the Water Rights Fund, which consists of various fees and penalties. This bill would prohibit water rights fees from being available for expenditure by the board for the purposes of board enforcement of the provisions of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and the groundwater reporting requirements.*

AB 454 (Bigelow R) Sustainable groundwater management.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would require a high- or medium-priority basin that is not subject to critical conditions of overdraft to be managed under a groundwater sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plan by January 31, 2023. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

AB 455 (Bigelow R) Groundwater sustainability plans: environmental impact reports.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would require the Judicial Council, on or before July 1, 2016, to adopt a rule of court to establish procedures applicable to actions or proceedings brought to attack, review, set aside, void, or annul the certification of an EIR for projects covered by a groundwater sustainability plan that require the actions or proceedings be resolved within 270 days of certification of the record of proceeding. The bill would also prohibit the court from staying or enjoining the construction or operation of the project unless the court makes a certain finding. This bill contains other existing laws.*

AB 577 (Bonilla D) Biomethane: grant program.

Status: DEAD

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to develop and implement a grant program to award grants for projects that produce biomethane, that build or develop collection and purification technology or infrastructure, or that upgrade or expand existing biomethane facilities. The bill would, upon appropriation, authorize moneys in the fund to be used to fund grants awarded pursuant to the program.*

AB 581 (Gomez D) Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Bond **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: *The Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 provides that it is the intent of the people that, to the extent practicable, a project supported by the funds made available by the act will include signage informing the public that the project received funds from the act. This bill would require certain recipients of funding pursuant to the act to post signs acknowledging the source of funds in accordance with guidelines that the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency would be required to develop.*

AB 585 (Melendez R) Outdoor Water Efficiency Act of 2015: personal income tax credits: outdoor water efficiency.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Conservation **PWP Position:** Support **Affiliate Positions:** CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support, MWD- Support

Summary: *Would, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, and before January 1, 2021, allow a credit equal to 25% of the amount paid or incurred by a qualified taxpayer for water-efficiency improvements, as defined, on qualified real property in this state, not to exceed \$2,500 per taxable year, as specified. The bill would limit the cumulative amount of the credit to \$2,500 for each qualified real property for all taxable years.*

Action Item: Letter(s) to Legislature

Notes: *Provides for tax credits during a state of the emergency drought.*

AB 590 (Dahle R) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would provide that moneys in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, upon appropriation, may be made available for expenditure by the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission for the purposes of maintaining the current level of biomass power generation or geothermal energy generation in the state and revitalizing currently idle facilities in strategically located regions. The bill would establish requirements for an applicant to receive available funding for a facility's eligible electrical generation.*

AB 603 (Salas D) Income taxes: Every Drop Counts Tax Credit.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Conservation

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support, MWD- Support, SCWC- Support

Summary: *Would, under the Personal Income Tax Law and the Corporation Tax Law, for taxable years beginning on and after January 1 2016, and before January 1, 2021, or an earlier date in the event of a specified occurrence, allow a credit to a taxpayer participating in a lawn replacement rebate program, as defined, in an amount equal to 25% of the costs paid or incurred by the taxpayer to replace conventional lawn on the qualified taxpayer's property during that taxable year, not to exceed \$1,500, as specified.*

Attachment: [PWP Support 2015_03_23](#)

Action Item: Letter(s) to Legislature

Author Fact Sheet, bill as introduced

Notes: 5/28/15: Held in A-Approps Suspense.

AB 615 (Rendon D) Office of Sustainable Water Solutions: technical assistance.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Current law establishes the Office of Sustainable Water Solutions with the purpose of promoting permanent and sustainable drinking water and wastewater treatment solutions to ensure the effective and efficient provision of safe, clean, affordable, and reliable drinking water and wastewater treatment services. Current law authorizes the office to take certain actions to further this purpose, including providing technical assistance to disadvantaged communities and small drinking water systems and wastewater systems. This bill would specify the types of technical assistance services that may be provided by the office.*

AB 639 (Dahle R) Water quality: organization and membership of regional boards.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: *The Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act requires regional boards to consist of 7 members appointed by the Governor, 6 of them on the basis of demonstrated interest or proven ability in the field of water quality and one as a public member not specifically associated with any enumerated qualification. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.*

AB 641 (Mayes R) Environmental quality: housing developments.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the Judicial Council, on or before July 1, 2016, to adopt a rule of court to establish procedures applicable to actions or proceedings seeking judicial review of a public agency's action in certifying the environmental impact report and in granting approval for housing developments, as defined. The procedures would require the actions or proceedings, including any appeals therefrom, to be resolved, to the extent feasible, within 270 days of the certification of the record of proceedings. The bill would prohibit a court from staying or enjoining those housing developments unless it makes specified findings.*

AB 645 (Williams D) Electricity: California Renewables Portfolio Standard.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Energy

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would express the intent of the Legislature for the purposes of the Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS) program that the amount of electricity generated per year from eligible renewable energy resources be increased to at least 50% by December 31, 2030, and would require the PUC, by January 1, 2017, to establish the quantity of electricity products from eligible renewable energy resources to be procured by each retail seller for specified compliance periods sufficient to ensure that the procurement of electricity products from eligible renewable energy resources achieves 50% of retail sales by December 31, 2030, and that retail sellers procure not less than 50% of retail sales in all subsequent years.*

Attachment: [AB 645 CMUA Meeting Summary & Recommendations 2015-05](#)

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AB 647 (Eggman D) Beneficial use: storing of water underground.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch, MWD- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: *Current law declares that the storing of water underground, and related diversions for that purpose, constitute a beneficial use of water if the stored water is thereafter applied to the beneficial purposes for which the appropriation for storage was made. This bill would repeal that declaration and instead declare that the diversion of water to underground storage constitutes a beneficial use of water if the water so stored is thereafter applied to the beneficial purposes for which the appropriation for storage was made, or if the water is so stored consistent with a sustainable groundwater management plan, statutory authority to conduct groundwater recharge, or a judicial decree and is for specified purposes.*

AB 674 (Mullin D) Electricity: distributed generation.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Distributed Generation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would, to the extent authorized by federal law, require the Public Utilities Commission, by July 1, 2016, to do both of the*

following for those electrical corporation customers that install clean distributed energy resources, as defined, after January 1, 2016: (1) require each electrical corporation to collect all applicable nonbypassable charges fixed, implemented, administered, or imposed by the Public Utilities Commission based only on the actual metered consumption of electricity delivered to the customer through the electrical corporation's transmission or distribution system, which charges are to be at the same rate per kilowatthour as paid by other customers that do not employ a clean distributed energy resource, and (2) calculate a reserve capacity for standby service, if applicable, based on the capacity needed by an electrical corporation to serve a customer's electrical demand during an outage of the clean distributed energy resource providing electric service for that customer.

[AB 678](#) ([O'Donnell D](#)) Energy Efficiency and Greenhouse Gas Reductions Ports Program.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board, in conjunction with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, to develop and implement the Energy Efficiency and Greenhouse Gas Reductions Ports Program to fund energy efficiency upgrades and investments at public ports, as described. The bill would require a port to develop and adopt an energy plan for the port to receive funding under the program for energy-related projects.

[AB 720](#) ([Cooley D](#)) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: market-based compliance mechanisms.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Cap & Trade

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board, for any market-based compliance mechanism that the state board might adopt, to allow participating entities to freely sell or transfer greenhouse gas emissions allowances held in a holding account, as defined, or compliance account, as defined, except for allowances that have been expressly retired to meet a compliance obligation, as defined. This bill contains other related provisions.

[AB 725](#) ([Wagner R](#)) Water quality: recycled water: storm-induced overflow.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Resources

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would, on or before December 31, 2016, require the State Water Resources Control Board, in consultation with stakeholders, to adopt a policy to address the potential for a storm-induced overflow from an impoundment in which recycled water is stored for subsequent beneficial use or aesthetic purposes.

[AB 739](#) ([Irwin D](#)) Civil law: liability: communication of cyber security-threat information.

Status: DEAD

Summary: Would, until January 1, 2020, provide that there shall be no civil or criminal liability for, and no cause of action shall lie or be maintained against any private entity for the sharing or receiving of cyber security-threat information if the sharing or receiving is conducted, as specified. The immunity from liability would only apply if the communication is made without gross negligence, as specified.

[AB 777](#) ([Harper R](#)) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: repeal.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: 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 a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide greenhouse gas emissions level in 1990 to be achieved by 2020 and to adopt rules and regulations in an open public process to achieve the maximum, technologically feasible, and cost-effective greenhouse gas emissions reductions. This bill would repeal the act.

[AB 824](#) ([Gatto D](#)) Fire prevention activities.

Status: DEAD

Summary: Current law requires the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to provide an annual report to the Legislature detailing the department's fire prevention activities, as described. Current law requires the report to include specified data and information. This bill would, for purposes of this report, describe "fire prevention activities" to include coordination and cooperation with the federal government, as provided. The bill would require the report to include a map of the areas of coordination between the department and the federal government, as provided.

[AB 853](#) ([Hernández, Roger D](#)) Electrical and gas corporations: security of plant and facilities.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Cyber/Phys Security, IOU **PWP Position:** Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would, on and after the filing of an electrical corporation's or gas corporation's general rate case application, require that electrical corporation or gas corporation, except as provided, to utilize employees of that corporation for any work associated with the design, engineering, and operation of its nuclear, electrical, and gas infrastructure, including all computer and information technology systems, unless the utility files a request to contract to utilize persons who will replace those employees with the commission as a part of the utility's general rate case application.

[AB 886](#) ([Chau D](#)) Transportation service network provider: passenger privacy.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Regulatory

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch

Summary: *The Passenger Charter-Party Carriers' Act prohibits a transportation network company from disclosing personally identifiable information of a passenger, with certain exceptions, including when the passenger knowingly consents or pursuant to a legal obligation. This bill would modify the knowing consent exception to the prohibition against disclosure of personally identifiable information by requiring the affirmative consent of a passenger through an opt-in selection that is separate from and not conditioned on various other transactions between the passenger and the transportation network company.*

[AB 904](#) ([Perea D](#)) Air Quality Improvement Program: Clean Reused Vehicle Rebate Project.

Status: DEAD

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Air Resources Board to establish the Clean Reused Vehicle Rebate Project, as a part of the Air Quality Improvement Program, to provide rebates or other incentives for the acquisition of an eligible used vehicle, as defined; the replacement or refurbishment of a battery and related components for an eligible used vehicle or an extended warranty for the battery or related components; or an extended service warranty to cover unexpected vehicle repairs not covered by the manufacturer's warranty related to unique problems in eligible used vehicles, as specified.*

Action Item: Letter Due

[AB 936](#) ([Salas D](#)) Groundwater monitoring.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: *Existing law establishes a groundwater monitoring program pursuant to which specified entities may propose to be designated by the Department of Water Resources as groundwater monitoring entities, as defined, for the purposes of monitoring and reporting with regard to groundwater elevations in all or part of a groundwater basin or subbasin. This bill would authorize the department to exempt an entity from this eligibility restriction if the entity submits to the department for approval documentation demonstrating that there are special circumstances justifying the entity's noncompliance, including, but not limited to, that a significant portion of the entity's service area qualifies as a disadvantaged community and that the water grant or loan project includes those actions needed to comply with groundwater monitoring functions.*

[AB 937](#) ([Salas D](#)) Groundwater planning: technical assistance: disadvantaged communities.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: *Would require the Department of Water Resources to provide technical assistance to disadvantaged communities so that they may participate in groundwater planning, including, but not limited to, plans for regional groundwater banking, with any county or other local agency.*

[AB 938](#) ([Rodriguez D](#)) Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: adjudicated basins.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: *Would authorize the watermaster or local agency administering an adjudicated basin to elect that the adjudicated basin be subject to the provisions of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. The bill would authorize the court with jurisdiction over the adjudicated basin to issue an order setting a hearing to determine whether the adjudicated basin shall be subject to the act, as prescribed. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 942](#) ([Calderon D](#)) California Solar Initiative: low-income residential housing.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Solar (PV)

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Under current law, the Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations, as defined. Decisions of the commission adopted the California Solar Initiative. Current law requires the commission to undertake certain steps in implementing the California Solar Initiative. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the law requiring the commission to undertake certain steps in implementing the California Solar Initiative.*

[AB 945](#) ([Ting D](#)) Sales and use taxes: exemption: low-emission vehicles.

Status: DEAD

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would, on and after January 1, 2016, until January 1, 2021, provide a partial exemption from sales and use taxes with respect to the sale of specified low-emission vehicles, as provided. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 946](#) ([Ting D](#)) Electric vehicle charging stations.

Status: DEAD

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to implement the Alternative and Renewable Fuel Vehicle Technology Program to provide financial assistance to develop and deploy innovative technologies that transform California's fuel and vehicle types to help attain the state's climate change policies. Current law includes within the program alternative and renewable fuel infrastructure, fueling stations, and equipment. This bill would specify that alternative and renewable fuel infrastructure includes electric vehicle charging infrastructure in disadvantaged communities.*

[AB 954](#) ([Mathis R](#)) Water and Wastewater Loan and Grant Program.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Drought

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Water Resources Control Board to establish a program to provide low-interest loans and grants to local agencies for low-interest loans and grants to eligible applicants for specified purposes relating to drinking water and wastewater treatment. This bill would create the Water and Wastewater Loan and Grant Fund and provide that the moneys in this fund are available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the board for expenditure for the program. This bill would transfer to the Water and Wastewater Loan and Grant Fund \$10,000,000 from the General Fund. This bill contains other related provisions.*

Attachment: [ASM Mathis drought legislation package co-author request letter](#)

[AB 955](#) ([Mathis R](#)) Disaster assistance: droughts: temporary assistance.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Drought

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would authorize the Office of Emergency Services to, either independently, or working through local agencies, nonprofit organizations, or other state entities, address the effects of a drought by providing temporary water supplies for drinking and sanitation to property owners. The bill would authorize the office, either independently, or working through local agencies, nonprofit organizations, or other state entities to, among other things, provide temporary water supplies for drinking and sanitation to property owners, and to allow temporary assistance to be provided to property owners whose income exceeds a specified threshold.*

[AB 956](#) ([Mathis R](#)) California Environmental Quality Act: exemption.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA, Drought

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: *The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. This bill would exempt from the requirements of CEQA activities undertaken by a local agency in response to a drought that are necessary for water recycling projects that provide water for drinking and sanitation to specific individuals and communities.*

[AB 957](#) ([Mathis R](#)) Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Drought, Water Bond

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose

Summary: *The Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 requires specified water recycling and advanced treatment technology projects to be selected on a competitive basis, considering specified criteria, including, among other criteria, water supply reliability improvement and public health benefits from improved drinking water quality or supply. This bill would include in the water supply reliability improvement criterion whether the project is proposed by a community that is heavily dependent on groundwater from a basin in overdraft, and would include in the public health benefits criterion whether the project is proposed by a community that has extended, or is in the process of extending, its water service delivery to entities reliant on either contaminated groundwater or groundwater wells that have run dry.*

[AB 1019](#) ([Garcia, Eduardo D](#)) Metal theft and related recycling crimes.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: *Would, until January 1, 2020, require the Department of Justice to establish a Metal Theft Task Force Program designed to enhance the capacity of the department to serve as the lead law enforcement agency in the investigation and prosecution of illegal recycling operations, and metal theft and related recycling crimes, and would authorize the department to enter into partnerships, as defined, with local law enforcement agencies, regional task forces, and district attorneys for the purpose of achieving the goals of the program.*

[AB 1022](#) ([Obernalte R](#)) Solar Water Heating and Efficiency Act of 2007.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Net Metering/Feed in Tariff **PWP Position:** Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would repeal the substantive requirements of the Solar Water Heating and Efficiency Act and would prohibit any additional moneys from being collected from ratepayers to fund the act after December 31, 2015. The bill would require that any loans that are outstanding as of January 1, 2016, that were made pursuant to the act, continue to be repaid in a manner that is consistent with the terms and conditions of the loan agreements, until repaid in full. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 1030](#) ([Ridley-Thomas D](#)) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Current law requires moneys in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to be used to facilitate the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and, where applicable and to the extent feasible, to foster job creation by promoting in-state greenhouse gas emissions reduction projects carried out by California workers and businesses. This bill would require priority be given to projects involving hiring that support the targeted training and hiring of workers from disadvantaged communities for career-track jobs.*

[AB 1068](#) ([Allen, Travis R](#)) California Environmental Quality Act: priority projects.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would authorize each Member of the Legislature to nominate one project within his or her respective district each year, and the Governor to designate those projects as priority projects if the projects meet specified requirements. The bill would require the Governor to provide a notice of the designation to the appropriate lead agency and to the Office of Planning and Research. The bill would require the lead*

agency to notify the public and interested stakeholders of the designation, as specified, thereby imposing a state-mandated local program.

[AB 1074](#) ([Garcia, Cristina D](#)) **Alternative fuels: infrastructure.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch

Summary: *Would add a definition of "alternative fuel" and would provide that it is the policy of the state to help accelerate the adoption of vehicles using alternative fuels throughout the state by increasing the amount of charging and refueling options needed to facilitate electric, hydrogen, and natural gas vehicles traveling along all passenger and goods movement corridors on federal and state highways. The bill would require the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to conduct an assessment and develop an integrated strategy to maximize the benefits and scope of an alternative refueling infrastructure, as defined, to help the state achieve its climate change, air quality, and economic goals and this newly stated policy.*

[AB 1094](#) ([Williams D](#)) **Energy usage: plug-in equipment.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the Energy Commission, in collaboration with the Public Utilities Commission, to conduct an analysis of plug-in equipment electricity consumption, as specified, and set statewide, long-term energy efficiency targets to reduce the amount of electricity consumed by plug-in equipment. The bill would require the Energy Commission, in collaboration with the Public Utilities Commission, to develop, track the progress of, revise, and update an implementation plan to achieve those targets, as specified.*

[AB 1108](#) ([Burke D](#)) **Zero-emission vehicles.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch

Summary: *Current law required the State Air Resources Board to adopt regulations that achieve the maximum feasible reduction of greenhouse gases emitted by passenger vehicles and light-duty trucks and any other vehicles determined by the state board to be vehicles whose primary use is noncommercial personal transportation in the state. This bill would require the state board, no later than December 31, 2017, to adopt a regulation to establish that, by 2025, no less than 15% of all new car sales within the state would be required to be zero-emission vehicles, as defined.*

[AB 1128](#) ([Jones-Sawyer D](#)) **Water conservation.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Conservation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Current law declares the intent of the Legislature to, among other things, promote urban water conservation standards that are consistent with the California Urban Water Conservation Council's adopted best management practices and specified requirements for demand management. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these findings and declarations.*

[AB 1139](#) ([Campos D](#)) **Personal income taxes: credit: turf removal.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Conservation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support, MWD- Support, SCWC- Support

Summary: *The Personal Income Tax Law allows various credits against the taxes imposed by that law. This bill would, for taxable years beginning on and after January 1, 2015, allow a credit to a taxpayer participating in a lawn replacement program, as defined, in an amount equal to \$2 per square foot of conventional lawn removed from the taxpayer's property, up to \$50,000 per taxable year, as provided. The bill would make findings and declarations in this regard.*

[AB 1144](#) ([Rendon D](#)) **California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: renewable energy credits.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Portfolio Standards

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *The California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program, consistent with the goals of procuring the least-cost and best-fit eligible renewable energy resources that meet project viability principles, requires that all retail sellers procure a balanced portfolio of electricity products from eligible renewable energy resources, as specified, referred to as the portfolio content requirements. This bill would provide that renewable energy credits may be used to meet the first category of the portfolio content requirements if specified provisions are met. This bill contains other existing laws.*

Notes: *Potential applications for geothermal station service.*

[AB 1172](#) ([Chau D](#)) **California cyber security.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Cyber/Phys Security

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would continue in existence the California Cyber Security Task Force, consisting of specified members, previously created by the Governor's Office of Emergency Services and the Department of Technology, in the Governor's Office of Emergency Services. The bill would authorize the task force to convene stakeholders to act in an advisory capacity and compile policy recommendations on cyber security for the state. The bill would require the task force to meet quarterly, or more often as necessitated by emergency circumstances.*

[AB 1173](#) ([Williams D](#)) **Water equipment: backflow prevention devices testing: certification.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, ACWA-

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Summary: *Would require, if a local health officer does not maintain a program for certification of backflow prevention device testers, the testing and maintenance of a backflow prevention device be performed by a person who has received a California-specific certification for testing backflow prevention devices from one of specified entities or a similar certification provider deemed acceptable by the state board or the local health officer. Because a violation of these requirements would be a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

Attachment: [Letter of Opposition by WateReuse AB 1173 2015-06-12](#)

AB 1179 (Rendon D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: disadvantaged communities: report.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Air Resources Board to prepare, and post on its Internet Web site, a specified report on the projects funded to benefit disadvantaged communities. This bill contains other existing laws.*

AB 1192 (Quirk D) Fair Information Practices Act.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would require a person, as defined, that provides a mobile operating system or platform that is used by an operator or developer of a mobile application that collects personal data from an individual California user through the mobile application or an online service to create universal privacy policy standards that are based on certain principles, including, but not limited to, transparency and security. The bill would require that person to conspicuously post those standards on the person's Internet Web site in a digital format that is accessible to all users, and would require a developer or operator of a mobile application using a mobile operating system or platform to accept those universal privacy policy standards, except as specified. The bill would also make legislative findings and declarations regarding those principles.*

AB 1201 (Salas D) Fish and wildlife: Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: predation by nonnative species.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, MWD- Support, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the Department of Fish and Wildlife, by June 30, 2016, to develop a science-based plan that addresses predation by nonnative species upon species of fish listed pursuant to the California Endangered Species Act that reside all or a portion of their lives in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta and that considers predation reduction for all Chinook salmon and other native species not listed pursuant to the act.*

AB 1242 (Gray D) Water quality and storage.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: *Would require the Department of Water Resources to increase statewide water storage capacity by 25% by January 1, 2025, and 50% by January 1, 2050, as specified. The bill would require the department, on or before January 1, 2017, to identify the current statewide water storage capacity and prepare a strategy and implementation plan to achieve those expansions in statewide water storage capacity, and would require the department to update the strategy and implementation plan on January 1, 2018, and every 2 years thereafter, until January 1, 2050.*

Attachment: [Capitol Alert: After small victory, Gray pulled from water committee](#)

AB 1243 (Gray D) Groundwater recharge: grants.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would establish the Groundwater Recharge Grant Fund and would provide that moneys in the fund are available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the State Water Resources Control Board to provide grants to local governments and water districts for groundwater recharge infrastructure projects. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

AB 1315 (Alejo D) Public contracts: water pollution prevention plans: delegation.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Oppose

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, ACWA- Oppose

Summary: *Would prohibit a public entity, charter city, or charter county from delegating to a contractor the development of a plan, as defined, used to prevent or reduce water pollution or runoff on a public works contract, except as provided. By requiring a public entity, charter city, or charter county to prepare a plan, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

AB 1324 (Williams D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 makes various findings and declarations. The act defines various terms, including "statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit," for purposes of the act. This bill would make changes to those findings and declarations. The bill would revise the definition of "statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit."*

[AB 1325](#) ([Salas D](#)) **Delta smelt.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Resources

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: MWD- Support, ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would enact the Delta Smelt Preservation and Restoration Act of 2016. The act would require the Department of Fish and Wildlife to develop a Delta smelt hatchery program to preserve and restore the Delta smelt. The bill would require the department to enter into mitigation banking agreements with banking partners for the purpose of providing take authorizations to banking partners and to obtain funding from banking agreements. This bill contains other related provisions.*

[AB 1332](#) ([Quirk D](#)) **California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: offsets.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Air Resources Board, as part of a market-based compliance mechanism, to create an offset protocol for renewable energy projects that are able to ramp up or down during peak energy demands.*

[AB 1333](#) ([Quirk D](#)) **Energy efficiency programs.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Portfolio Standards

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require electric and gas corporations and local publicly owned electric and gas utilities to require recipients of rebates or incentives from their residential or commercial energy efficiency or weatherization programs to install demand response infrastructure on the property for which the rebates or incentives are provided.*

[AB 1336](#) ([Salas D](#)) **Greenhouse gases: Community Climate Improvement Program.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would establish and require the Strategic Growth Council, in coordination with the State Air Resources Board, to administer the Community Climate Improvement Program to provide grants for the development and implementation of regional projects that reduce or sequester greenhouse gas emissions. The bill would require the council, in coordination with the state board, to develop guidelines for the program. The bill would require the council to implement the program with moneys appropriated from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.*

[AB 1345](#) ([Dahle R](#)) **California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: wildfires.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Air Resources Board, in consultation with the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, no later than January 1, 2017, to estimate the annual greenhouse gas emissions associated with wildfires in California between the years 1990 and 2015, inclusive. The bill would require the state board to develop, no later than January 1, 2017, an emissions baseline for wildfires by calculating the average of the annual greenhouse gas emissions associated with wildfires between the years 1990 and 2015, inclusive.*

[AB 1346](#) ([Gray D](#)) **Office of Emergency Services: State Emergency Plan: update.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would require the Office of Emergency Services to update the State Emergency Plan on or before January 1, 2018, and every 5 years thereafter, and would require the plan to be consistent with specified state climate adaptation strategies.*

[AB 1367](#) ([Williams D](#)) **California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 requires the State Air Resources Board to adopt regulations to require the reporting and verification of statewide greenhouse gas emissions and to monitor and enforce compliance with this program. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the requirement that the state board adopt regulations to require the reporting and verification of statewide greenhouse gas emissions and to monitor and enforce compliance with the program.*

[AB 1398](#) ([Wilk R](#)) **Environmental quality: the Sustainable Environmental Protection Act.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would enact the Sustainable Environmental Protection Act and would specify the environmental review required pursuant to CEQA for projects related to specified environmental topical areas. The bill would provide that the Sustainable Environmental Protection Act only applies if the lead agency or project applicant has agreed to provide to the public in a readily accessible electronic format an annual compliance report prepared pursuant to the mitigation monitoring and reporting program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 1470](#) ([Alejo D](#)) **Safe Water and Wildlife Protection Act of 2016.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** CMUA- Watch
Summary: *Would enact the Safe Water and Wildlife Protection Act of 2016, which would require the State Water Resources Control Board, until January 1, 2020, to establish and coordinate the Harmful Algal Bloom Task Force, comprised of specified representatives of state agencies, including the conservancy, in consultation with the Secretary for Environmental Protection, and would prescribe the functions and duties of the task force.*

[AB 1473](#) ([Salas D](#)) California Environmental Quality Act.

Status: DEAD
Subject: CEQA **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** ACWA- Watch
Summary: *Would extend the time by which the Governor may certify projects as environmental leadership projects to January 1, 2019, and would extend the time by which lead agencies are required to approve certified projects to January 1, 2020, in order for certified projects to benefit from the streamlining benefits. Because the bill would extend the time period in which lead agencies would be required to concurrently prepare the record of proceedings, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would repeal the act on January 1, 2021. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 1479](#) ([Patterson R](#)) Electricity: residential rates.

Status: DEAD
Subject: Rates & Tariffs **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch
Summary: *Current law authorizes the Public Utilities Commission, beginning January 1, 2015, to authorize fixed electricity charges that do not exceed a specified amount per residential customer account per month. Current law, beginning January 1, 2016, authorizes the adjustment of the maximum allowable fixed charge by no more than the annual percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for the prior calendar year. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that provision.*

[AB 1480](#) ([Patterson R](#)) Energy efficiency.

Status: DEAD
Subject: Energy Efficiency **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch
Summary: *Current law authorizes the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to prescribe, by regulation, appliance efficiency standards, based on reasonable use patterns, to promote the use of energy and water efficient appliances. This bill would make nonsubstantive revisions to that provision.*

[AB 1498](#) ([Thurmond D](#)) Renewable energy resources: comprehensive planning and environmental compliance services.

Status: DEAD
Subject: Regulatory **PWP Position:** Support **Affiliate Positions:** SCPPA- Watch
Summary: *Current law requires the Department of Fish and Wildlife to establish an internal division with the primary purpose of performing comprehensive planning and environmental compliance services with priority given to projects involving the building of eligible renewable energy resources, as defined. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change in those provisions.*
Notes: *This bill could potentially provide streamlined/expedited Fish and Wildlife permitting of Renewable energy projects, like Azusa Hydro. In talks with author to expand bill to emergency drought projects.*

[AB 1520](#) ([Stone, Mark D](#)) Public Records.

Status: DEAD
Subject: Regulatory **PWP Position:** Oppose **Affiliate Positions:** CMUA- Oppose, ACWA- Oppose

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Summary: *Current law provides that the California Public Records Act shall not be construed to require the disclosure of specified information concerning utility customers of local agencies, except for certain purposes. This bill would remove requests for usage rates of industrial, institutional, and commercial water users from that exception to required disclosure. By increasing the duties of local officials, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

Attachment: [California Municipal Utilities Association Opposes Proposed](#) **Action Item:** Letter Due
[Law AB 1520 Which Erodes Privacy Protections for California Businesses 2016-08-10](#)

[AB 1530](#) ([Levine D](#)) Electricity: distributed generation.

Status: DEAD
Subject: Distributed Generation **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** ACWA- Support
Summary: *Would, to the extent authorized by federal law, require the Public Utilities Commission, by July 1, 2017, to do both of the following for those customers of the state's 3 largest electrical corporations that install clean distributed energy resources, as defined, after January 1, 2016: (1) require those electrical corporations to collect all applicable nonbypassable charges fixed, implemented, administered, or imposed by the Public Utilities Commission based only on the actual metered consumption of electricity delivered to the customer through the electrical corporation's transmission or distribution system, which charges are to be at the same rate per kilowatthour as paid by other customers that do not employ a clean distributed energy resource, and (2) calculate a reserve capacity for standby service, if applicable, based on the capacity needed by the electrical corporation to serve a customer's electrical demand during an outage of the clean distributed energy resource providing electric service for that customer.*

[AB 1555](#) ([Gomez D](#)) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** ACWA- Support
Summary: *Would appropriate \$800,000,000 from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund for the 2016-17 fiscal year to various state agencies in specified amounts for various purposes including, among other things, low carbon transportation and infrastructure, clean energy communities, wetland and watershed restoration, and carbon sequestration. The bill would state the intent of the Legislature to reserve \$150,000,000 from the fund to fund future legislative priorities.*

AB 1586 (Mathis R) California Environmental Quality Act: Temperance Flat Reservoir.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *The California Environmental Quality Act establishes a procedure by which a person may seek judicial review of the decision of the lead agency made pursuant to the act. This bill would prohibit the court, in an action or proceeding alleging a violation of the act, from staying or enjoining the construction or operation of the Temperance Flat Reservoir unless the court makes certain findings. This bill contains other related provisions.*

AB 1587 (Mathis R) Groundwater.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater, Water Bond **PWP Position:** Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would, in implementing the competitive grants for projects that develop and implement groundwater planning requirements, require special consideration be given to those projects that would create groundwater recharge basins in areas of fallow farmland. This bill would appropriate \$50,000,000 from the proceeds of the bond act for the purpose of that competitive grant program.*

AB 1588 (Mathis R) Water and Wastewater Loan and Grant Program.

Status: VETOED

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would, to the extent funding is made available, authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to establish a program to provide funding to counties and qualified nonprofit organizations to award low-interest loans and grants to eligible applicants for specified purposes relating to drinking water and wastewater treatment. This bill would authorize a county or qualified nonprofit organization to apply to the board for a grant to award loans or grants, or both, to residents of the county, as prescribed.*

AB 1589 (Mathis R) California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: drought mitigation.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would, for the duration of a state of emergency proclaimed by the Governor due to drought conditions, exempt from the requirements of CEQA certain projects that are undertaken, carried out, or approved by a public agency to mitigate those drought conditions. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

AB 1590 (Mathis R) State Water Resources Control Board: appointments.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Regulatory

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require that an additional 4 members be appointed to the State Water Resources Control Board by the Legislature. The bill would require that one member each be appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly, the Assembly Minority Leader, the President pro Tempore of the Senate, and the Senate Minority Leader. The bill would require that vacancies be immediately filled by the appointing power.*

AB 1647 (Waldron R) Environmental quality: water storage facilities.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: *The California Environmental Quality Act requires the lead agency to determine whether a project may have a significant effect on the environment based on substantial evidence in light of the whole record. The act exempts certain specified projects from its requirements. This bill would exempt a project to expand the storage capacity of an existing surface water storage facility, or to replace an existing surface water storage facility, that is owned and operated by a public entity if that public entity adopts, by resolution, findings and declarations that the project meets specified criteria.*

AB 1649 (Salas D) State water policy: priority: surface water storage projects and joint powers authorities.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Bond

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose

Summary: *Would require the Department of Water Resources to develop a state water policy that gives priority to the formation of joint powers authorities that are formed to address critical surface water storage needs and to funding of the joint powers authorities' surface water projects. The bill would make findings and declarations of the Legislature, including, but not limited to, that, of the water storage projects available, the Temperance Flat Dam and Sites Reservoir will meet statewide goals and provide specified public benefits to the greatest extent.*

Attachment: [Salas introduces legislation to capture excess water 2016-01-12](#)

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AB 1657 (O'Donnell D) Air pollution: public ports and intermodal terminals.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would establish the Zero- and Near-Zero-Emission Intermodal Terminals Program to be administered by the State Air Resources Board to fund equipment upgrades and investments at intermodal terminals, as defined, to help transition the state's freight system to be zero- and near-zero-emission operations. The bill would authorize the program to be implemented with moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 1683](#) ([Eggman D](#)) **Alternative energy financing.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *The California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority Act authorizes, until January 1, 2021, the California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority to provide financial assistance in the form of a sales and use tax exclusion for projects, including those that promote California-based manufacturing, California-based jobs, advanced manufacturing, the reduction of greenhouse gases, or the reduction in air and water pollution or energy consumption. The act prohibits the sales and use tax exclusions for these projects from exceeding \$100,000,000 for each calendar year. This bill would specify that if less than \$100,000,000 is granted in a calendar year, the unallocated amount may roll over to the following calendar year.*

[AB 1698](#) ([Hadley R](#)) **Renewable energy.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Energy **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Current law continuously appropriates specified portions of the annual proceeds in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to various programs related to transportation, affordable housing, and sustainable communities. This bill would discontinue the Electric Program Investment Charge surcharge and repeal the EPIC Fund. The bill would create the Green and Renewable Energy Enlisting New Technologies (GREEN) Fund to fund the GREEN program. The bill would transfer previously collected EPIC moneys to a specified account within the GREEN Fund.*

[AB 1704](#) ([Dodd D](#)) **Water rights: small irrigation use: lake or streambed alteration agreements.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** ACWA- Support, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *The Water Rights Permitting Reform Act of 1988 provides that the State Water Resources Control Board is not required to adopt general conditions for small irrigation use until the board determines that funds are available for that purpose and that a registration for small irrigation use pursuant to the act is not authorized until the board establishes general conditions for small irrigation use to protect instream beneficial uses, as specified. This bill would require the board, on or before January 1, 2018, to adopt general conditions that would permit a registrant to construct a facility that would store water for small irrigation use during times of high streamflow in exchange for the registrant reducing diversions during periods of low streamflow, as specified.*

[AB 1707](#) ([Linder R](#)) **Public records: response to request.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** ACWA- Oppose

Summary: *The California Public Records Act requires state and local agencies to make public records available for inspection, unless an exemption from disclosure applies. The act requires a response to a written request for public records that includes a denial of the request, in whole or in part, to be in writing. This bill instead would require the written response demonstrating that the record in question is exempt under an express provision of the act also to identify the type or types of record withheld and the specific exemption that justifies withholding that type of record.*

[AB 1713](#) ([Eggman D](#)) **Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta: peripheral canal.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Resources **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** CMUA- Oppose, ACWA- Oppose, MWD- Oppose

Summary: *Current law requires various state agencies to administer programs relating to water supply, water quality, and flood management in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. The bill would prohibit the construction of a peripheral canal, as defined, unless expressly authorized by an initiative voted on by the voters of California on or after January 1, 2017, and would require the Legislative Analyst's Office to complete a prescribed economic feasibility analysis prior to a vote authorizing the construction of a peripheral canal.*

Attachment: [AB1713Laborers 2016-03-01](#)

Action Item: Reviewed

[Eggman Opposition Letter FINAL 2016-03-02](#)

[AB 1713-Opposition Rev 3 Water Signatories 2016-02-22](#)

[Press Release: Eggman Introduces New Law to Force Statewide Vote on Governor Brown's Twin Tunnels Project 2016-01-22](#)

[AB 1717](#) ([Hadley R](#)) **Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Energy **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would reappropriate the 25% share of the annual proceeds of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund designated for the high-speed rail project to the Transportation Agency for the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program under specified conditions. The bill would make legislative findings and declarations.*

[AB 1738](#) ([McCarty D](#)) **Building standards: dark graywater.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would define "dark graywater" as a specified wastewater that comes from kitchen sinks and dishwashers. This bill would require the Department of Housing and Community Development, at the next triennial building standards cycle, to adopt and submit for approval building standards for the construction, installation, and alteration of dark graywater systems for indoor and outdoor uses. This bill contains other existing laws.*

[AB 1749](#) ([Mathis R](#)) California Environmental Quality Act: City of Porterville.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA, Cyber/Phys Security

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support if Amended, MWD- Watch

Summary: *Would require the lead agency, in certifying the environmental impact report and in granting approvals for a certain water treatment project determined by the City of Porterville based on a certain feasibility study, as specified, to comply with specified procedures, including the concurrent preparation of the record of proceedings and the certification of the record of proceedings within 5 days of the filing of a specified notice. This bill contains other related provisions.*

[AB 1780](#) ([Medina D](#)) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: trade corridors.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would, beginning in the 2016-17 fiscal year, continuously appropriate 20% of the annual proceeds of the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to the California Transportation Commission to be allocated to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in trade corridors consistent with specified guidelines, thereby making an appropriation.*

[AB 1800](#) ([Hadley R](#)) Utility outage compensation claims: annual posting.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Regulatory **PWP Position:** Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, SCPPA- Oppose

Summary: *Would require each electrical corporation and local publicly owned electric utility to annually post on its Internet Web site specified information relating to utility outage compensation claims for the previous year. The bill would make these requirements applicable to those outages that the ISO, the Public Utilities Commission, or the utility has determined are the fault of the utility, or those claims relating to outages that the utility has determined to pay. By adding reporting requirements that are applicable to local publicly owned electric utilities, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. s.*

[AB 1815](#) ([Alejo D](#)) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: disadvantaged communities.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the California Environmental Protection Agency to identify disadvantaged communities and requires the Department of Finance, in consultation with the state board and any other relevant state agency, to develop, as specified, a 3-year investment plan for the moneys deposited in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. Current law requires the 3-year investment plan to allocate a minimum of 25% of the available moneys in the fund to projects that provide benefits to disadvantaged communities. This bill would require the agency to establish a comprehensive technical assistance program, upon the appropriation of moneys from the fund, for eligible applicants, as specified, assisting eligible communities, as defined.*

[AB 1832](#) ([Dahle R](#)) California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Portfolio Standards **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *The California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program requires the Public Utilities Commission to direct each electrical corporation to annually prepare a renewable energy procurement plan to satisfy its procurement requirements pursuant to the program. To the extent feasible, the renewable energy procurement plan is to be proposed, reviewed, and adopted as part of, and pursuant to, the general procurement plan process. This bill would make a nonsubstantive revision to the provision that requires, to the extent feasible, that the renewable energy procurement plan be proposed, reviewed, and adopted as part of, and pursuant to, the general procurement plan process.*

[AB 1866](#) ([Wilk R](#)) High-speed rail bond proceeds: redirection: water projects.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management **PWP Position:** Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would provide that no further bonds shall be sold for high-speed rail purposes pursuant to the Safe, Reliable High-Speed Passenger Train Bond Act for the 21st Century, except as specifically provided with respect to an existing appropriation for high-speed rail purposes for early improvement projects in the Phase 1 blended system. The bill, subject to the above exception, would require redirection of the unspent proceeds received from outstanding bonds issued and sold for other high-speed rail purposes prior to the effective date of these provisions, upon appropriation, for use in retiring the debt incurred from the issuance and sale of those outstanding bonds.*

[AB 1882](#) ([Williams D](#)) Oil and gas: groundwater monitoring.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Regulatory **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would require the Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources to provide an opportunity and the information necessary for the State Water Resources Control Board and the appropriate regional water quality control board to review, comment on, and propose additional requirements for Class II underground injection well projects. The bill would require the state board or the appropriate regional water quality control board to review, comment on, and propose additional requirements it deems necessary for those projects to ensure that the injection of fluids will not affect the quality of water that is, or may reasonably be, used for any beneficial use.*

[AB 1902](#) ([Wilk R](#)) Time for commencing civil actions: Aliso Canyon gas leak.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Current law sets forth a two year statute of limitations for commencing a civil action for injury, illness, or wrongful death based upon exposure to a hazardous material or toxic substance other than asbestos, as specified. This bill would establish a 3 year statute of limitations for commencing a civil action for injury, illness, or wrongful death based on exposure to methane, benzene, mercaptan, or any other hazardous material or toxic substance resulting from the Southern California Gas Company Aliso Canyon SS-25 gas leak, as specified.

[AB 1903](#) ([Wilk R](#)) Aliso Canyon gas leak: health impact study.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Natural Gas

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would, if sufficient moneys are recovered by the Public Utilities Commission and appropriated for the purpose of these provisions, would require the commission to authorize a study by the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment of the long-term health impacts of the significant natural gas leak from the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility located in the County of Los Angeles that started approximately October 23, 2015, as specified

[AB 1904](#) ([Wilk R](#)) Hazardous materials: natural gas odorants.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Natural Gas

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would require the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment to submit a report to the Legislature, on or before January 1, 2019, that includes an assessment of any potential danger of odorants currently used in natural gas storage facilities in the state to public health and safety and the environment, and that identifies alternative odorants for possible use in natural gas storage facilities, as specified. The bill would require the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment to consult with appropriate entities, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.

[AB 1905](#) ([Wilk R](#)) Natural gas injection and storage: study.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Natural Gas

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would require the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency, on or before July 1, 2017, to cause to be conducted, and completed, an independent scientific study on natural gas injection and storage practices and facilities, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.

[AB 1966](#) ([Allen, Travis R](#)) Energy: conventional power sources.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Current law permits a private energy producer, as defined, to generate electricity not generated from conventional sources, as specified, without becoming a public utility subject to the general jurisdiction of the commission. Under current law, a conventional power source includes, but is not limited to, power derived from the operation of a hydropower facility greater than 30 megawatts. This bill would instead include the operation of a hydropower facility greater than 35 megawatts as a conventional power source.

[AB 1973](#) ([Campos D](#)) School facilities: school districts: energy efficiency projects.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would appropriate \$20,000,000 to the State Department of Education for allocation to school districts for purposes of energy efficiency projects. The bill would provide that a school district is eligible for those funds only if it has received specified funding and does at least one of 4 specified things in connection with those energy efficiency projects. This bill contains other existing laws.

[AB 1981](#) ([Mayes R](#)) California Environmental Quality Act: environmental impact report.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: The California Environmental Quality Act requires the lead agency to determine whether a project may have a significant effect on the environment based on substantial evidence in light of the whole record. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that provision.

[AB 1982](#) ([Bloom D](#)) California Transportation Commission: membership.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would expand the membership of the California Transportation Commission to 15 members by providing for the Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the Assembly to each appoint an additional member, who shall be a person who works directly with communities that are most significantly burdened by, and vulnerable to, high levels of pollution, including, but not limited to, communities with diverse racial and ethnic populations and communities with low-income populations.

[AB 1989](#) ([Jones R](#)) Water, energy, and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Resources

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support if Amended

Summary: Would require the State Water Resources Control Board, in coordination with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, the Public Utilities Commission, and the Department of Water Resources, to develop and implement a grant and low-interest loan program for water projects that result in the net reduction of water-related greenhouse gas emissions.

AB 2026 (Hadley R) California Environmental Quality Act: judicial challenge: identification of contributors.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would require a plaintiff or petitioner, in an action brought pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, to disclose the identity of a person or entity that contributes in excess of \$1,000, as specified, toward the plaintiff's or petitioner's costs of the action. The bill also would require the plaintiff or petitioner to identify any pecuniary or business interest related to the project or issues involved in the action of any person or entity that contributes in excess of \$1,000 to the costs of the action, as specified. The bill would provide that a failure to comply with these requirements may be grounds for dismissal of the action by the court.*

AB 2038 (Gaines, Beth R) California Environmental Quality Act: environmental impact report: substantial evidence.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *The California Environmental Quality Act requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.*

AB 2040 (Melendez R) Outdoor Water Efficiency Act of 2016: personal income tax credits: outdoor water efficiency.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Conservation **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** CMUA- Support, ACWA- Watch, LEAGUE- Support

Summary: *The Personal Income Tax Law allows various credits against the taxes imposed by that law. This bill, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, and before January 1, 2019, would allow a credit equal to 25% of the amount paid or incurred by a qualified taxpayer for water-efficiency improvements, as defined, on qualified real property in this state, as specified. The bill would limit the cumulative amount of the credit to \$2,500 for each qualified real property for all taxable years.*

AB 2059 (Garcia, Eduardo D) Junk dealers and recyclers: nonferrous materials.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Metal Theft **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** ACWA- Oppose

Summary: *Current law exempts from the payment by cash or check requirement those sellers of junk or recycling materials who conduct 5 or more separate transactions per month with the junk dealer or recycler, as specified. This bill would, until January 1, 2020, exempt from the payment by cash or check requirement those sellers of junk or recycling materials who carry a surety bond of at least \$100,000, covering the business entity at large, including all locations, which exclusively covers the cost of loss to the verifiable owner of stolen scrap metal purchased by the junk dealer or recycler and the cost to local law enforcement of investigating the theft. The bill would define the recoverable cost of loss to the verifiable owner of the scrap metal to be specified damages.*

AB 2066 (Lackey R) Service stations: petroleum supply and pricing.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would require every service station to also display the average per-gallon cost of gasoline and diesel fuel, as annually calculated by the commission in consultation with the Legislative Analyst's Office, across the industry of refiners producing transportation fuels as a result of their compliance with a market-based compliance mechanism. Because a violation of this requirement would be a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.*

AB 2076 (Garcia, Cristina D) Water and energy use efficiency: certification: breweries.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would require the Department of Water Resources, in consultation with the California brewing industry, to develop water and energy use efficiency certification guidelines for the production of beer that include, among other things, uniform standards for the industry's use of efficiency certification seals and would require the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to consult in label design and approval for the use of a seal on a beer bottle.*

AB 2090 (Alejo D) Low Carbon Transit Operations Program.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Current law continuously appropriates specified portions of the annual proceeds in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to various programs, including 5% for the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program, which provides operating and capital assistance for transit agencies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve mobility, with a priority on serving disadvantaged communities. This bill would additionally authorize moneys appropriated to the program to be expended to support the operation of existing bus or rail service if the governing board of the requesting transit agency declares a fiscal emergency and other criteria are met, thereby expanding the scope of an existing continuous appropriation.*

AB 2099 (Stone, Mark D) Safe drinking water benefit.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Department of Social Services to, on or before February 1, 2017, convene a workgroup to develop recommendations for delivering a water benefit to supplement the purchase of drinking water for low-income households with inadequate*

access to safe drinking water, as specified. The bill would also make relating findings and declarations.

[AB 2100](#) ([Calderon D](#)) The 21st Century Infrastructure Act of 2016.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the Public Utilities Commission, the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, the Independent System Operator, and the State Air Resources Board, until January 1, 2020, to review and evaluate their policies and plans for the expansion of 21st century infrastructure and to take other related actions. The bill would also make related findings and declarations.*

[AB 2109](#) ([Dahle R](#)) Greenhouse gas emissions reduction: state agencies.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *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 a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide greenhouse gas emissions level in 1990 to be achieved by 2020. The act requires state agencies to consider and implement strategies to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to this provision.*

[AB 2112](#) ([Dahle R](#)) Safe Drinking Water Act.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Current law provides that the State Water Resources Control Board succeeds to and is vested with all of the authority, duties, powers, purposes, functions, responsibilities, and jurisdiction of the State Department of Public Health, its predecessors, and its director for purposes of specified provisions relating to drinking water. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the provisions vesting the State Water Resources Control Board with specified authorities, including deleting an obsolete subdivision.*

[AB 2120](#) ([Weber D](#)) Public Utilities Commission: proceedings: intervenor fees: customers.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *The Public Utilities Commission has broad regulatory authority pursuant to the California Constitution and the Public Utilities Act over public utilities, as defined. Current law provides compensation for reasonable advocate's fees, reasonable expert witness fees, and other reasonable costs to public utility customers and representatives of customers for participation or intervention in formal proceedings of the commission involving electrical, gas, water, telegraph, and telephone public utilities, but does not provide that compensation for local government agencies. This bill would make legislative findings and declarations relating to local educational agency involvement in commission proceedings.*

[AB 2124](#) ([Garcia, Eduardo D](#)) Water: testing and reports.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: *The California Safe Drinking Water Act requires a person operating a public water system to obtain and provide an analysis of the water to the state board, as provided. Under the act, a person who knowingly makes a false statement or representation in a report submitted, maintained, or used for purposes of compliance with the act may be subject to a misdemeanor. This bill would require the person to include in the analysis samples from schools, day care facilities, and health care facilities, to the extent those locations are within the public water system. The bill would require the person to report to the state board other information regarding the samples taken at those sites.*

[AB 2141](#) ([Ting D](#)) Energy assistance: corner stores.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would require each electrical corporation and gas corporation to develop a program, subject to direction and supervision by the Public Utilities Commission, that provides incentives and assistance to owners, operators, or lessees of corner stores, as defined, to reduce their electricity and gas bills through conservation and energy efficiency improvements, including the placement of, or replacement of less efficient equipment with, free or low-cost energy-efficient refrigeration in order to improve a community's access to healthy and fresh food options.*

[AB 2146](#) ([Patterson R](#)) Forestry and fire protection: greenhouse gas emissions.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would provide that an amount not to exceed \$200,000,000 from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund shall be made available to the Department of Forestry and Fire Prevention, upon appropriation, for specified activities that reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the state caused by uncontrolled forest fires. The bill would require the department to develop an accounting system to demonstrate that each project awarded funding will provide a long-term reduction of greenhouse gas emissions and to prioritize and fund projects based on the extent to which a project will maximize certain cobenefits, as prescribed.*

[AB 2148](#) ([Holden D](#)) Unmanned aircraft systems: operation or use within or over state-managed lands or waters.

Status: VETOED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would make it unlawful for any person to operate an unmanned aircraft system in, or fly an unmanned aircraft system over, lands or waters managed by the Department of Fish and Wildlife and Department of Parks and Recreation, except as authorized or unless exempted from this prohibition. The bill would authorize the consideration of certain factors when reviewing a request for authorization for the use of an*

unmanned aircraft system.

[AB 2163](#) ([Williams D](#)) Net energy metering: Imperial Irrigation District.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Net Metering/Feed in Tariff **PWP Position:** Oppose

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, SCPPA- Oppose, LEAGUE- Oppose

Summary: *Would require the Imperial Irrigation District to provide net metering service to eligible customer-generators that meet certain requirements, as specified. Because this bill would increase the level of service provided by a local publicly owned utility, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

Attachment: [AB 2163 PWP Oppose Net Energy Metering Ltr](#)

Action Item: Letter(s) to Legislature

[AB 2181](#) ([Brown D](#)) Public contracts: contract specifications.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *The California State University Contract Law governs contracting for building and improvement projects by the California State University and imposes specific competitive bidding requirements for the Trustees of the California State University, including the preparation of specifications for a project. This bill would require an awarding department, on or before January 1, 2018, to prepare and submit to the Legislature and the Governor a report on the greenhouse gas emissions that are associated with emissions-intensive products, as defined, in projects within the jurisdiction of the department.*

[AB 2206](#) ([Williams D](#)) Renewable gas.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Portfolio Standards **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Air Resources Board, in coordination with the Public Utilities Commission and State Energy Resources and Conservation Development Commission, to consider and, as appropriate, adopt a policy or programs to increase the production and use of renewable gas, as specified, generated by either an eligible renewable energy resource that meets the requirements of the California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program or direct solar energy, as specified.*

[AB 2223](#) ([Gray D](#)) Dairy methane reduction.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Current law establishes the Department of Food and Agriculture under the administration of the Secretary of Food and Agriculture to promote and protect the agricultural industry of the state. This bill would appropriate \$10,000,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Food and Agriculture to provide loans for the implementation of dairy digesters and other dairy methane reduction projects and management practices.*

[AB 2241](#) ([Dahle R](#)) State policy for water quality control.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Under current law, the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, the state policy for water quality control is required to consist of water quality principles and guidelines for long-range resource planning, water quality objectives, and other principles and guidelines deemed essential by the State Water Resources Control Board for water quality control. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to that provision.*

[AB 2271](#) ([Quirk D](#)) Electricity: research programs: peer review.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Energy Efficiency **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would require the Public Utilities Commission to establish a procedure for an independent peer review of certain research programs proposed by an electrical corporation for approval by the commission. The bill would require the independent peer review of a proposed research program to be conducted upon the commission's receipt of the proposed program. The bill would require the commission to make available to the public on its Internet Web site the results of the review upon approval of the program.*

[AB 2276](#) ([Brown D](#)) Greenhouse gases: emissions reduction.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the Strategic Growth Council to develop and administer the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through projects that implement land use, housing, transportation, and agricultural land preservation practices to support infill and compact development and that support other related and coordinated public policy objectives. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that provision. This bill contains other current laws.*

[AB 2293](#) ([Garcia, Cristina D](#)) California Green Business Program and Green Assistance Program.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Current law creates the California Environmental Protection Agency, consisting of various boards, offices, and departments, including the State Air Resources Board and the Department of Toxic Substances Control. This bill would establish the Green Assistance Program within the California Environmental Protection Agency to, among other things, assist small businesses and small nonprofit organizations in applying for moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.*

[AB 2304](#) ([Levine D](#)) California Water Market Clearinghouse.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support if Amended, MWD- Oppose unless Amended, ACWA- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: *Would require the clearinghouse, on or before December 31, 2018, to create a centralized water market platform on its Internet Web site that provides ready access to information that has been provided about water available for transfer or exchange and information about the process for transferring or exchanging water. The bill would require the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to convene a Water Market Clearinghouse Task Force, composed as prescribed, and would require the task force to make recommendations to the clearinghouse, as specified.*

Attachment: [Press Release: Assemblymember Levine Proposes Legislation To Create A Centralized Water Market 2016-02-24](#)

[AB 2323](#) ([Ridley-Thomas D](#)) Electricity: rates: low-carbon fuel production facilities.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would require an electrical corporation that offers time-of-use rates, critical peak pricing, real-time pricing, or peak time rebates for the charging of electric vehicles, as part of a program to encourage transportation electrification, to offer similar rates to low-carbon transportation fuel production facilities and public and private fueling stations dedicated to providing low-carbon fuels for transportation purposes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 2334](#) ([Mullin D](#)) Sales and use taxes: exclusion: alternative energy financing.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *The California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority Act authorizes, until January 1, 2021, the authority to provide financial assistance in the form of a sales and use tax exclusion for any lease or transfer of title of tangible personal property constituting a project to any participating party, and defines a project and participating party for those purposes. The act limits the sales and use tax exclusion to \$100,000,000 for each calendar year. This bill would expand those persons eligible for the sales and use tax exclusion, which is limited in amount, to additionally include any contractor for use in the performance of a construction contract for the participating party that will use that property as an integral part of the approved project.*

[AB 2335](#) ([Gaines, Beth R](#)) Suction dredge mining: permits: report.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Current law authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board or a California regional water quality control board to adopt waste discharge requirements or a waiver of waste discharge requirements that address certain water quality impacts, specify conditions or areas where the discharge of waste or other adverse impacts on beneficial uses of the waters of the state from the use of vacuum or suction dredge equipment is prohibited, or prohibit particular use of, or methods of using, vacuum or suction dredge equipment. This bill would require the state board and the department to report to the Legislature, on or before June 1, 2017, on the status of the suction dredge permitting program.*

[AB 2339](#) ([Irwin D](#)) Net energy metering.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Net Metering/Feed in Tariff **PWP Position:** Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would define the "aggregate customer peak demand" for the purposes of calculating the net energy metering program limit for electric utilities that have more than 25,000 service connections, but are not large electrical corporations. The bill would dictate the manner of calculating aggregate customer peak demand if certain information is unavailable, as specified.*

Attachment: [AB 2339 - OPPOSE - PWP Letter](#)

Action Item: Letter(s) to Legislature, Meeting, Hearing or Testimony

[AB 2343](#) ([Garcia, Cristina D](#)) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: study.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the Department of Finance to annually submit a report to the appropriate committees of the Legislature on the status of the projects funded with moneys in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill would require the department to include additional data in that annual report, as specified.*

[AB 2379](#) ([Quirk D](#)) Energy: home energy rating program: report.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to prepare an integrated energy policy report every 2 years. Under current law, the report is required to include an evaluation of the energy savings attributable to the statewide home energy rating program and a recommendation concerning which means and methods will be most efficient and cost effective to induce home energy ratings for residential dwellings. This bill would additionally require the report to include a comparison of actual energy consumption and the models or projections used to qualify the rating program and would update an obsolete cross-reference.*

[AB 2381](#) ([Hernández, Roger D](#)) Electricity: power outages: bill credits.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would require electrical corporations, on or before July 1, 2018, to establish utility service guarantee programs. The bill would require the programs to automatically provide each customer that experiences an outage for a continuous 24-hour period a \$30 bill credit for each continuous 24-hour period that the customer was without power, which would be borne exclusively by the shareholders of the electrical corporations. The bill would also require electrical corporations to engage in public outreach and educate the public about the program to increase public awareness. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[AB 2395](#) ([Low D](#)) Telecommunications: replacement of public switched telephone network.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would require a telephone corporation that is transitioning to IP enabled services and networks to complete a customer education and outreach program before seeking to withdraw traditional circuit-switched and other legacy telephone services. The education and outreach program would be required to explain the transition from legacy public switched telephone network services regulated by the commission to IP enabled services, the benefits and advantages of IP enabled services, a description of the advanced services available to consumers, and information regarding the projected timeframes for the transition, including that withdrawal of any voice grade single-line telephone service will not take place prior to January 1, 2020.*

[AB 2408](#) ([Eggman D](#)) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would authorize the allocation of moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to maximize the delivery of integrated greenhouse gas reduction projects for households in low-income and disadvantaged communities. The bill would require state agencies administering grant programs, as defined, receiving an allocation from the fund to update the guidelines for their grant programs to encourage the coordination of the grantees. The bill would require agencies to give funding priority to projects having certain characteristics.*

[AB 2409](#) ([Wagner R](#)) Water quality standards: trash: single-use carryout bags.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would suspend the operation of certain amendments to water quality control plans relating to the total maximum daily load for trash unless the provisions inoperative due to a pending referendum election become effective. This bill would require the state board to revisit and revise water quality control plans to address impaired water quality due to trash if the law pending referendum is defeated at the November 8, 2016, statewide general election. This bill contains other existing laws.*

[AB 2413](#) ([Thurmond D](#)) Sea level rise preparation.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Resources

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Current law, until January 1, 2018, requires the Natural Resources Agency to create, biannually update, and post on an Internet Web site a Planning for Sea Level Rise Database, as specified, and requires specified entities to provide to the agency certain sea level rise planning information for inclusion in the database. This bill would require the agency, on or before January 1, 2019, to complete a study outlining the potential impact of sea level rise on low-income and at-risk communities and public projects and infrastructure. The bill would require the agency, based on the study, to make recommendations on preparing for sea level rise, as specified.*

[AB 2426](#) ([Low D](#)) Workplace Charging Station Grant Program.

Status: DEAD

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Air Resources Board, until January 1, 2021, to establish and implement the Workplace Charging Stations Grant Program to award grants to eligible applicants, as defined, for the installation of electric vehicle charging stations in commercial parking facilities for employees and visitors. The bill would require eligible applicants awarded grants pursuant to the program to report annually to the state board on certain usage statistics of the charging stations.*

[AB 2431](#) ([Linder R](#)) California Environmental Quality Act: subsequent projects.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *CEQA requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. CEQA authorizes the lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a proposed subsequent project if certain conditions are met. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that provision.*

[AB 2438](#) ([Waldron R](#)) California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: recycled water pipelines.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support if Amended

Summary: *Would, until January 1, 2020, additionally exempt from CEQA a project for the construction and installation of a new pipeline or the maintenance, repair, restoration, reconditioning, relocation, replacement, removal, or demolition of an existing pipeline, not exceeding 8 miles in length, for the distribution of recycled water within a public street, highway, or right-of-way and would require the lead agency to undertake specified activities, including the filing of a notice of exemption for the project with the Office of Planning and Research and the office of the county clerk of each county in which the project is located.*

[AB 2444](#) ([Garcia, Eduardo D](#)) California Parks, Water, Climate, and Coastal Protection and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018.

Status: DEAD
Subject: Water Bond

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, CMUA- Watch, LEAGUE- Support

Summary: *Under current law, programs have been established pursuant to bond acts for, among other things, the development and enhancement of state and local parks and recreational facilities. This bill would enact the California Parks, Water, Climate, and Coastal Protection and Outdoor Access For All Act of 2018, which, if approved by the voters, would authorize the issuance of bonds in an amount of \$3,497,500,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a parks, water, climate, and coastal protection and outdoor access for all program. This bill contains other related provisions.*

Attachment: [AB 2444 \(Garcia\), Park Bond Outline 2016-06-02](#)

Action Item: Letter(s) to Legislature

[AB 2447 \(Campos D\)](#) Leroy F. Green School Facilities Act of 1998: energy efficiency.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Energy Efficiency **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *The Leroy F. Greene School Facilities Act of 1998, establishes a program in which the State Allocation Board is required to provide state per-pupil funding, including hardship funding, for new school facilities construction and school facilities modernization for applicant school districts. The act authorizes, as a part of the requirements for submission of an application to the State Allocation Board for new construction or modernization funding, the applicant school to certify that a specified energy analysis and report has been prepared. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the energy analysis and report provisions.*

[AB 2452 \(Quirk D\)](#) California Council on Science and Technology: contracting.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA, Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Current law generally requires contracts by the state for the acquisition of goods and services be awarded pursuant to various procedures and requirements. Current law exempts specified projects and types of contracts from those procedures and requirements. The California Council on Science and Technology is a nonpartisan, impartial, not-for-profit corporation, created in 1988 by legislative resolution. This bill would authorize state entities, as defined, to enter into contracts with the council for the council's assistance in translating scientific studies to inform public policy.*

[AB 2460 \(Irwin D\)](#) Solar thermal systems.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would revise the solar water heating program to, among other things, promote the installation of solar thermal systems throughout the state, set the maximum funding for the program between January 1, 2017, and July 31, 2022, at \$250,000,000, reserve 50% of the total program budget for the installation of solar thermal systems in low-income residential housing or in buildings in disadvantaged communities, and extend the operation of the program through July 31, 2022.*

[AB 2475 \(Gordon D\)](#) Loan program: California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** LEAGUE- Support

Summary: *Would establish within the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank the Local Government Affordable Housing Forgivable Loan Program, and require the bank to make loans to a local government for the development of affordable housing by the local government on terms and conditions the bank deems in the best interests of the state. The bill would define terms for its purposes.*

[AB 2525 \(Holden D\)](#) Water-efficient landscaping.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Conservation **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the Department of Water Resources, upon identification of a funding source, to create the California Water Efficient Landscaping Program for the purpose of encouraging local agencies and water purveyors to use economic incentives that promote the efficient use of water, promote the benefits of consistent landscape ordinances, and support and enhance water inefficient grass replacement. This bill would create the Water Efficient Landscaping Fund and provide that moneys in the fund are available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the department for certain purposes.*

Action Item: Letter Due

[AB 2541 \(Dahle R\)](#) Public utilities.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Current law authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to establish reasonable rules, specifications, and standards to secure the accuracy of all meters and appliances for measurements and requires a public utility that estimates meter readings to so indicate on its billings and to correct any incorrect estimate by the next billing period, except as specified. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the above-described provisions.*

[AB 2543 \(Gordon D\)](#) State buildings: efficiency and conservation.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Energy Efficiency, Water Conservation **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, in consultation with the Department of General Services, to develop a plan to exploit cost-effective energy efficiency and water conservation measures in state facilities. This bill*

would require the department, in consultation with the commission, to submit recommendations on energy efficiency and water conservation goals to the Governor and the Legislature. This bill would require the department, in consultation with the commission, to make these recommendations no later than January 1, 2018.

[AB 2555 \(Levine D\)](#) Building standards: water conserving plumbing fixtures.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Conservation **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: Would require the California Building Standards Commission to develop regulations and mandatory building standards for the installation of water conserving plumbing fixtures, as defined, in existing nonresidential and public buildings, including installation in all nonresidential buildings by January 1, 2022.

[AB 2564 \(Cooper D\)](#) Air Quality Improvement Program: Clean Vehicle Rebate Project.

Status: DEAD

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board to adopt regulations for the purposes of the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project that would establish the maximum gross annual income at specified levels for a person to be eligible for a rebate; increase rebate payments by \$500 for low-income applicants, as defined; include outreach to low-income households; and prioritize rebate payments for low-income applicants. This bill contains other existing laws.

[AB 2576 \(Gray D\)](#) Recycling: glass container manufacturers: market development payments.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: Would provide that up to \$20,000,000 shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery for market development payments to glass container manufacturers in an amount of \$50 per ton of state-generated cullet, as defined, utilized for manufacturing in the state to achieve greenhouse gas emissions reductions not otherwise required by statute or regulation.

[AB 2578 \(Bigelow R\)](#) California Environmental Quality Act: exemptions: water service.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: Would exempt from the requirements of CEQA a project within a public street or highway or other public right-of-way for the maintenance, repair, restoration, reconditioning, relocation, replacement, removal, or demolition of an existing water distribution pipeline to address water leakage. Because a local agency would be required to determine the applicability of this exemption, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

[AB 2583 \(Frazier D\)](#) Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Delta **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** ACWA- Oppose, MWD- Oppose

Summary: Would add a definition of the California Water Fix to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009. This bill would eliminate certain provisions applicable to the BDCP and would revise other provisions to instead refer to a new Delta water conveyance project for the purpose of exporting water. This bill would require new Delta water conveyance infrastructure to be considered as interdependent parts of a system and to be operated in a way that maximizes benefits for each of the coequal goals. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[AB 2585 \(Williams D\)](#) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: market-based compliance mechanisms.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board, no later than July 1, 2018, to review any regulation adopted as part of a market-based compliance mechanism to consider the intended purpose and consistency of requirements aimed to prevent resource shuffling, as defined, among all fuels subject to that regulation.

[AB 2601 \(Eggman D\)](#) Building standards: residential property: graywater.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Conservation **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** ACWA- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: Would require the Department of Housing and Community Development, on or after January 1, 2017, to adopt and submit to the California Building Standards Commission for approval amendments to the building standards adopted pursuant to specified provisions that require that all new single-family and duplex residential dwelling units include specified components to allow the separate discharge of graywater for direct irrigation and that all new single-family residential dwelling units include a segregated building drain for lavatories, showers, and bathtubs to allow for future installation of a distributed graywater system.

[AB 2617 \(Mayes R\)](#) Water efficiency measures.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Conservation **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** ACWA- Support

Summary: Would require the Department of Water Resources to develop and solicit comments on a proposed report, in consultation with subject matter experts at the University of California, the California State University, the State Water Resources Control Board, the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, and local water districts, by December 1, 2017, and, by July 1, 2018, to issue a final report that contains, among other things, recommendations to public entities to help them achieve water-resilient communities and prioritize

cost-effective water efficiency measures with low adverse environmental impacts based on local conditions.

[AB 2630](#) ([Salas D](#)) California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: electrical transmission planning.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Energy

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the Independent System Operator, when undertaking transmission planning activities, to take into account a specified report relating to solar photovoltaic system development in the San Joaquin Valley and specified principles of transmission corridor planning developed by the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission). The bill would require the Energy Commission, the PUC, and the Independent System Operator, when undertaking activities as part of the Renewable Energy Transmission Initiative, to take into account the above-specified report and principles.*

[AB 2639](#) ([Garcia, Eduardo D](#)) Water quality: Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Under current law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards prescribe waste discharge requirements in accordance with the federal Clean Water Act and the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act (state act). The state act defines various terms for its purposes. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these definitions.*

[AB 2653](#) ([Garcia, Eduardo D](#)) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: report.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the Department of Finance to annually submit a report to the appropriate committees of the Legislature on the status of the projects funded with moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. This bill would require the department to include additional information in its annual report to the Legislature, including, among other things, the greenhouse gas emissions reductions attributable to each project and the geographic location, industry sector, and number of employees of the business entities, as defined, receiving moneys from the fund.*

[AB 2657](#) ([Chu D](#)) Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Bond

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *The Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014 provides that the sum of \$810,000,000 is to be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, for expenditures on, and competitive grants and loans to, projects that are included in and implemented in an adopted integrated regional water management plan and respond to climate change and contribute to regional water security. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change in these provisions.*

[AB 2675](#) ([Chiu D](#)) Sales and use tax exclusion: income taxes credits: electric vehicle infrastructure.

Status: DEAD

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would, on and after January 1, 2017, and before January 1, 2020, would exclude from the terms "gross receipts" and "sales price" 10% of the gross receipts or sales price of electric vehicle infrastructure, as defined, purchased for use at a qualified dwelling, as defined. The bill would limit this exclusion to that amount of gross receipts or sales price that does not exceed \$400,000.*

[AB 2699](#) ([Gonzalez D](#)) Contractors' State License Board: solar energy systems companies: regulations.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Solar (PV)

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Support, CMUA- Support

Summary: *Current law requires licensed contractors to be classified and authorizes them to be classified as, among other things, a solar contractor. Under current law, a solar contractor installs, modifies, maintains, and repairs thermal and photovoltaic solar energy systems. Current law prohibits a solar contractor from performing building or construction trades, crafts, or skills, except when required to install a thermal or photovoltaic solar energy system. This bill would require, on or before July 1, 2017, the board to develop and make available on its Internet Web site a specified "solar energy system disclosure document." The bill would require this disclosure document to be provided by the solar energy systems company to the consumer prior to completion of a sale, financing, or lease of a solar energy system.*

Action Item: Letter Due

[AB 2700](#) ([Brown D](#)) Electrical corporation: California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: procurement plans.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Energy

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *As part of the renewable energy procurement plan process, the Public Utilities Commission is required to adopt rules establishing a process that provides criteria for the rank ordering and selection of least-cost and best-fit eligible renewable energy resources to comply with the program's procurement obligations and requires that the criteria take specified matters into account, including workforce recruitment, training, and retention efforts, as specified. This bill would require that the criteria take into account jobs retained associated with contracting for existing eligible renewable energy resources.*

[AB 2702](#) ([Atkins D](#)) Greenhouse gases: study.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Air Resources Board to conduct a study that outlines best practices and policies for meeting state goals to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The bill also would authorize the state board to collaborate with air pollution control and air quality management districts.*

AB 2709 (Quirk D) Crimes: balloons.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Support, CMUA- Support, LEAGUE- Support

Summary: *Would, on January 1, 2018, remove specified prohibitions and instead make it a crime to sell or distribute any balloon constructed of electrically conductive material or any balloon that is attached to an electrically conductive material. The bill would make a first violation of this provision punishable by a fine not to exceed \$250, and a 2nd or further violation punishable as a misdemeanor. The bill would additionally, on January 1, 2018, make it a crime to release, outdoors, balloons made of electrically conductive material, regardless of whether the outdoor release is part of a public or civic event, promotional activity, or product advertisement, and would make the crime punishable by a fine not to exceed \$250.*

AB 2715 (Garcia, Eduardo D) Agricultural Working Poor Energy Efficient Housing Program.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG, Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *vices and Development to develop and administer the Agricultural Working Poor Energy Efficient Housing Program and to expend moneys appropriated by the Legislature for the purposes of the program to improve energy efficiency in farmworker-owned housing. The bill would require the department to report to the Legislature on the program with respect to balances and expenditures, households reached, demographics of the households reached, measures funded, and energy savings.*

AB 2748 (Gatto D) Environmental disaster: release of claims: statute of limitations: attorneys' fees.

Status: VETOED

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Current law provides that an obligation is extinguished by a release given to the debtor by the creditor, upon a new consideration, or in writing, with or without new consideration. A general release does not extend to claims the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his or her favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him or her must have materially affected his or her settlement with the debtor. Under this bill, a partial or interim payment or reimbursement, made in connection with an environmental disaster by the responsible polluter or any agent or entity related to the responsible polluter to any recipient, would not release the polluter from liability to the recipient for any claim related to the environmental disaster or for any future claim by the recipient against the polluter, or for both current and future claims.*

AB 2769 (Patterson R) Renewable energy.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Energy

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Current law establishes the California Renewables Portfolio Standards Program, which is codified in the Public Utilities Act, with the target to increase the amount of electricity generated per year from eligible renewable energy resources to an amount that equals at least 50% of the total electricity sold to retail customers per year by December 31, 2030. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to legislative findings and declarations relating to the above-described provisions.*

AB 2778 (Salas D) California Environmental Quality Act: lead agency.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *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 defines lead agency to mean the public agency that has the principal responsibility for carrying out or approving a project that may have a significant effect upon the environment. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.*

AB 2781 (Garcia, Eduardo D) Supplemental environmental projects.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Current law requires each board, department, and office within the California Environmental Protection Agency that has enforcement authority to establish a policy on supplemental environmental projects that benefits disadvantaged communities, as defined. Current law requires that policy to include among other things, allowing the amount of a supplemental environmental project to be up to 50% of the enforcement action. This bill would require an assurance that no less than 10% of the enforcement action monetary penalties received by each board, department, and office within the agency is allocated to supplemental environmental projects in disadvantaged communities.*

AB 2783 (Garcia, Eduardo D) Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the Strategic Growth Council to develop guidelines and selection criteria for the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program. This bill would require the Strategic Growth Council to consider revisions to the guidelines and selection criteria with respect to affordable housing projects that qualify under the program's rural innovation project area, as specified, and to provide a written explanation to the Legislature by March 1, 2017, if the council determines that it will not make the revisions.*

AB 2788 (Gatto D) Wireless telecommunications facilities.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Regulatory

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: LEAGUE- Oppose

Summary: Under existing law, a wireless telecommunications collocation facility, as specified, is subject to a city or county discretionary permit and is required to comply with specified criteria, but a collocation facility, which is the placement or installation of wireless facilities, including antennas and related equipment, on or immediately adjacent to a wireless telecommunications collocation facility, is a permitted use not subject to a city or county discretionary permit. This bill would permit the use of a small cell, as defined, without a city or county discretionary permit or aesthetic review in all zoning districts, subject only to a building permit or administrative permit, as applicable. The bill would require a city or county to issue those permits, as applicable, within 60 days, except as specified

AB 2795 (Lopez D) Telephony: unlisted numbers.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Current law prohibits a subscriber from being charged for making the choice to not have his or her name and mobile telephony dialing number listed in a publicly available directory assistance database. This bill would prohibit a subscriber from being charged for making a choice to not have the above information listed in a directory.

AB 2798 (Gatto D) Energy conservation: power facility and site certification: notice of intention.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: The Warren-Alquist State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Act, among other things, requires each person proposing to construct a thermal powerplant or electric transmission line on a site to submit to the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission a notice of intention to file an application for the certification of the site and related facility or facilities. The act requires the commission, in determining the appropriateness of sites and related facilities designated in the notice, to require the applicant to provide information, as specified. This bill would require the commission to require the applicant to provide information on the extent to which the facility will increase or decrease reliance on underground natural gas storage.

AB 2909 (Levine D) Water: transfer or exchange: expedited review.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: MWD- Support if Amended, CMUA- Watch

Summary: The State Water Resources Control Board administers a water rights program pursuant to which the board grants permits and licenses to appropriate water. Current law provides procedures for a permittee or licensee to temporarily change the point of diversion, place of use, or purpose of use due to a transfer or exchange of water or water rights, as specified. These temporary transfers are defined as transfers of one year or less. This bill would require the board to develop and implement an expedited 30-day review process for approval of petitions under those provisions to temporarily change the point of diversion, place of use, or purpose of use due to a transfer or exchange of water or water rights if the transfer is for a reoccurring water transfer, as defined, or an environmentally beneficial transfer, as defined.

ABX2 14 (Gatto D) Food labeling: wastewater from oil and gas field activities.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose

Summary: Would, with a specified exemption, require a manufacturer who produces packaged food that contains a plant irrigated with wastewater from oil and gas field activities that contains well stimulation treatment additives and fluids or a retail facility that sells a raw agricultural commodity that was irrigated with wastewater from oil and gas field activities that contains well stimulation treatment additives and fluids to label those products in a specified manner. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

ACA 8 (Bloom D) Local government financing: water facilities and infrastructure: voter approval.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Rates & Tariffs, Water Resources

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support, MWD- Support

Summary: Would create an additional exception to the 1% limit for a rate imposed by a city, county, city and county, or special district to service bonded indebtedness incurred to fund the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of wastewater treatment facilities and related infrastructure, potable water producing facilities and related infrastructure, nonpotable water producing facilities and related infrastructure, and stormwater treatment facilities and related infrastructure, that is approved by 55% of the voters of the city, county, city and county, or special district, as applicable, if the proposition meets specified requirements, and would authorize a city, county, city and county, or special district to levy a 55% vote ad valorem tax. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Attachment: [ACA 8 Fact Sheet_EJ Caldwell](#)

AJR 15 (Grove R) Renewable fuels.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Energy

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: This measure would urge the President and the Congress of the United States to pass meaningful legislation to reform the federal Renewable Fuel Standard program to address specified concerns.

SB 1 (Gaines R) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: market-based compliance mechanisms: exemption.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Cap & Trade

PWP Position: Oppose

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, SCPA- Oppose

Summary: The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 authorizes the State Air Resources Board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Current state board regulations require specified entities to comply with a market-based compliance mechanism beginning January 1, 2013, and require additional specified entities to comply with that market-based compliance mechanism

beginning January 1, 2015. This bill instead would exempt categories of persons or entities that did not have a compliance obligation, as defined, under a market-based compliance mechanism beginning January 1, 2013, from being subject to that market-based compliance mechanism.

Action Item: Letter Due

Notes: This bill would exempt the transportation sector from Cap and Trade.

SB 5 (Vidak R) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: market-based compliance mechanisms: exemption.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Cap & Trade

PWP Position: Oppose

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, SCPPA- Oppose

Summary: Under the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, current State Air Resources Board regulations require specified entities to comply with a market-based compliance mechanism beginning January 1, 2013, and require additional specified entities to comply with that market-based compliance mechanism beginning January 1, 2015. This bill instead would exempt categories of persons or entities that did not have a compliance obligation, as defined, under a market-based compliance mechanism beginning January 1, 2013, from being subject to that market-based compliance mechanism through December 31, 2020.

Action Item: Letter Due

SB 20 (Pavley D) Low Carbon Fuels Council.

Status: DEAD

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, MWD- Watch

Summary: Would create the Low Carbon Fuels Council, as specified, which, among other things, would coordinate state agencies' activities that are related to the acceleration and development of the in-state production of low carbon fuels and very low carbon transportation fuels.

Attachment: [Potential Public Goods Charge Language Removed From ACWA-Opposed SB 20 2016-06-23](#)

SB 39 (Pavley D) Vehicles: high-occupancy vehicle lanes.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG, EVs/Alt Fuels

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, SCPPA- Watch

Summary: Current federal law, until September 30, 2017, authorizes a state to allow specified labeled vehicles to use lanes designated for high-occupancy vehicles (HOVs). Current law authorizes the DMV to issue no more than 70,000 of those identifiers. This bill would increase the number of those identifiers that the DMV is authorized to issue to an unspecified amount. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

Action Item: Letter Due

SB 40 (Gaines R) Air Quality Improvement Program: vehicle rebates.

Status: DEAD

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would require incentives for qualifying zero-emission, battery-electric passenger vehicles under the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project of the Air Quality Improvement Program to be limited to passenger vehicles with a manufacturer's suggested retail price of \$40,000 or less. The bill would require the rebate for qualifying vehicles to be \$3,500, subject to availability of funds.

Notes: Tesla rebate ban. This bill would make EVs with retail price greater than \$40,000 ineligible for the Clean Vehicle Rebate.

SB 47 (Hill D) Environmental health: artificial turf.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Conservation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCWC- Watch

Summary: Would, until January 1, 2020, require a public or private school or local government, before installing, contracting for the installation of, or soliciting bids for a new artificial turf field containing crumb rubber infill, as defined, within the boundaries of a public or private school, or public recreational park to do certain things, including gathering information from companies that offer artificial turf products that do not use crumb rubber infill.

Notes: Pending review from Pasadena Parks and Rec. Moratorium on certain types of turf.

SB 76 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) Transportation.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Drought

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Current law creates the State Transit Assistance program, under which certain revenues in the Public Transportation Account are allocated by formula for public transportation purposes. Under that program, funds may not be allocated to a transit operator for operating purposes unless the operator meets one of 2 specified efficiency standards, subject to certain exceptions. However, existing law suspends those restrictions with respect to allocations for operating purposes made through the 2014-15 fiscal year. This bill would continue the suspension of those restrictions through the 2015-16 fiscal year.

SB 113 (Galgiani D) Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Bond

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: Would make available, of the moneys appropriated to the Department of Water Resources by the Budget Act of 2015, \$110,000,000 for the upgrade of the levee system of Reclamation District No. 17 to provide urban level of flood protection. This bill contains

other related provisions.

SB 119 (Hill D) Protection of subsurface installations.

Status: VETOED

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support if Amended, ACWA- Oppose

Summary: Current law defines a subsurface installation as any underground pipeline, conduit, duct, wire, or other structure. Current law requires an operator of a subsurface installation, who receives notification of proposed excavation work, within 2 working days of that notification, excluding weekends and holidays, to mark the approximate location and number of subsurface installations that may be affected by the excavation or to advise that no subsurface installations operated by him or her would be affected. This bill, the Dig Safe Act of 2015, would declare the need to clarify and revise these provisions. The bill would define and redefine various terms relating to a regional notification center.

SB 127 (Vidak R) Water and Wastewater Loan and Grant Program.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Bond

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: Would require the State Water Resources Control Board to establish a program to provide low-interest loans and grants to local agencies for low-interest loans and grants to eligible applicants for specified purposes relating to drinking water and wastewater treatment. This bill would create the Water and Wastewater Loan and Grant Fund and provide that the moneys in this fund are available, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to the board for expenditure for the program.

Attachment: [Senator Vidak Press Release 2015-01-20](#)

SB 143 (Stone R) Diamond Valley Reservoir: recreational use.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Oppose

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, ACWA- Oppose, MWD- Oppose

Summary: Current law, with certain exceptions, prohibits recreational use, in which there is bodily contact with water, in a reservoir in which water is stored for domestic use and establishes water standards for those exempted reservoirs. This bill would exempt from this prohibition recreational activity in which there is bodily contact with water by any participant in the Diamond Valley Reservoir if certain standards are met. This bill contains other related provisions.

Attachment: [Letter MWD MA Coalition 2015-03-06](#)

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Notes: This bill would permit recreational use and bodily contact with an MWD owned reservoir requiring development of onsite water treatment facility built at the cost of MWD ratepayers.

SB 154 (Huff R) California Environmental Quality Act.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency, as defined, to prepare, or cause to be prepared by contract, and certify the completion of, an environmental impact report, as defined, on a project that may have a significant effect on the environment, or to adopt a negative declaration if it finds that the project will not have that effect. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to the definition of "environmental impact report."

SB 156 (Huff R) State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Regulatory

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Current law establishes the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission consisting of 5 members appointed by the Governor subject to confirmation by the Senate. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to that provision.

SB 166 (Gaines R) California Environmental Quality Act.

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

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

SB 167 (Gaines R) Fires: interference: unmanned aircraft.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would make it unlawful to knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly operate an unmanned aircraft or unmanned aircraft system, as defined, in a manner that prevents or delays the extinguishment of a fire, or in any way interferes with the efforts of firefighters to control, contain, or extinguish a fire. The bill would make a violation of this prohibition punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not to exceed 6 months, by a fine not to exceed \$5,000, or by both that fine and imprisonment. By creating a new crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 173 (Nielsen R) Groundwater: de minimis extractors.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: Current law generally excepts a de minimis extractor from the requirement that a person who extracts groundwater from a probationary basin, as prescribed, or extracts groundwater on or after July 1, 2017, in an area within a basin that is not within the management area of a groundwater sustainability agency and where the county does not assume responsibility to be the groundwater sustainability agency has to file a report of groundwater extraction by December 15 of each year for extractions made in the preceding water year with the State Water Resources Control Board. This bill would define a de minimis extractor for the purposes of these provisions as a person who extracts, for domestic purposes, 10 acre-feet or less per year.

[SB 180](#) ([Jackson D](#)) **Electricity: emissions of greenhouse gases.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Oppose

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, SCPPA- Oppose

Summary: Would, on July 1, 2017, replace the greenhouse gases emission performance standards for baseload generation with greenhouse gases emission performance standards for nonpeaking generation and peaking generation. The bill would require the Public Utilities Commission, by June 30, 2017, through a rulemaking proceeding and in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission and the State Air Resources Board, to establish a greenhouse gases emission performance standard for all nonpeaking generation of load-serving entities, and a separate standard for peaking generation.

Attachment: [SCPPA SB 180 OPPOSE LETTER](#)

Action Item: Letter Due

Notes: GHG Performance Standard Primary/Secondary Generation.

[SB 189](#) ([Hueso D](#)) **Clean Energy and Low-Carbon Economic and Jobs Growth Blue Ribbon Committee.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would create the Clean Energy and Low-Carbon Economic and Jobs Growth Blue Ribbon Committee in the California Environmental Protection Agency, comprising 7 members appointed by the Governor, the Speaker of the Assembly, and the Senate Committee on Rules, as provided. The bill would prescribe the terms and qualifications of committee members and would require the committee to hold its first meeting on or before December 1, 2016.

[SB 207](#) ([Wieckowski D](#)) **California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Current law requires a state agency expending moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to create a record, prior to the expenditure, that includes, among other things, a description of the expenditure proposed to be made and a description of how the proposed expenditure will contribute to achieving and maintaining greenhouse gas emissions reductions, as specified. This bill would require that record to be posted on the Internet Web sites of the state agency and the State Air Resources Board prior to the state agency expending those moneys.

[SB 228](#) ([Cannella R](#)) **Groundwater storage: beneficial use.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: Would declare that the recharging of a groundwater basin by a local groundwater management agency or a local groundwater sustainability agency for the purposes of repelling saline intrusion and recovering basin groundwater levels constitutes a beneficial use of water if the recharge is consistent with the local agency's groundwater management plan or groundwater sustainability plan.

[SB 262](#) ([Galgiani D](#)) **Unmanned aircraft systems: law enforcement use.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Neutral

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would specifically authorize a law enforcement agency to use an unmanned aircraft system if the use of the unmanned aircraft system complies with certain conditions, including, among others, protections against unreasonable searches guaranteed by the United States Constitution and the California Constitution, federal law applicable to the use of an unmanned aircraft system by a law enforcement agency, and state law applicable to a law enforcement agency's use of surveillance technology that can be attached to an unmanned aircraft system.

[SB 286](#) ([Hertzberg D](#)) **Electricity: direct transactions.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Direct Access

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to adopt and implement a schedule that implements a 2nd phase-in period for expanding direct transactions for individual retail nonresidential end-use customers over a period of not more than 3 years, raising the allowable limit of kilowatthours that can be supplied by other providers in each electrical corporation's distribution service territory by that electrical corporation's share of an aggregate of 8,000 gigawatthours, apportioned as specified.

[SB 317](#) ([De León D](#)) **The Safe Neighborhood Parks, Rivers, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2016.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Bond

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: Would enact the Safe Neighborhood Parks, Rivers, and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2016, which, if adopted by the voters at

the November 8, 2016, statewide general election, would authorize the issuance of bonds in the total amount of \$2,450,000,000 pursuant to the State General Obligation Bond Law to finance a safe neighborhood parks, rivers, and coastal protection program. This bill contains other related provisions.

[SB 334](#) ([Leyva D](#)) Pupil health: drinking water.

Status: VETOED

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would specify that a school district shall provide access to free, fresh, and clean drinking water during meal times through the use of drinking water access points, as defined. By imposing additional duties on school districts, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[SB 360](#) ([Cannella R](#)) Biomethane.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to adopt pipeline access rules that ensure that each gas corporation provides nondiscriminatory open access to its gas pipeline system to any party for the purposes of physically interconnecting with the gas pipeline system and effectuating the delivery of gas. This bill would authorize the commission to consider providing the option to all gas corporations to engage in competitive bidding and direct investment in ratepayer financed biomethane collection equipment and would require that any ratepayer financed processes authorized by the commission take into account the value of the collected biomethane delivered to ratepayers and seek to return equivalent value to ratepayers over the life of any authorized project.*

[SB 398](#) ([Leyva D](#)) Green Assistance Program.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would establish the Green Assistance Program, to be administered by the Secretary for Environmental Protection in concert with environmental justice programs, that, among other things, would provide technical assistance to small businesses, small nonprofits, and disadvantaged communities in applying for an allocation of moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. The bill would declare that the secretary use existing resources for the program. This bill contains other existing laws.*

[SB 400](#) ([Lara D](#)) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the High-Speed Rail Authority to allocate not less than 25% of the moneys continuously appropriated to the authority from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to projects that either reduce or offset greenhouse gas emissions directly associated with the construction of the high-speed rail project and provide a cobenefit of improving air quality. The bill would require priority to be given within this expenditure category to measures and projects that are located in communities in areas designated as extreme nonattainment. The bill would expand the purposes of a continuous appropriation, thereby making an appropriation.*

[SB 427](#) ([Fuller R](#)) Renewable energy resources.

Status: DEAD

Subject: IOU Watchlist

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to the Renewables Portfolio Standard Program (RPS program) program authorization for electrical corporations to apply to the Public Utilities Commission for approval to construct, own, and operate an eligible renewable energy resource.*

[SB 442](#) ([Hall D](#)) Municipal water districts: revenue bonds.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Current law, the Municipal Water District Law of 1911, provides for the formation of municipal water districts and grants to those districts specified powers, including the authority to issue revenue bonds for any purpose for which general obligation bonds may be issued. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes in those provisions.*

[SB 471](#) ([Pavley D](#)) Water, energy, and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions: planning.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Support

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support if Amended, MWD- Support if Amended, SCPPA- Watch, SCWC- Watch

Summary: *Would include reduction of greenhouse gas emissions associated with water treatment among the investments that are eligible for funding from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund. The bill would also make legislative findings and declarations, and a statement of legislative intent, with regard to the nexus between water and energy and water and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. This bill contains other related provisions.*

Attachment: [CMUA Letter of Support 2015-07](#)

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[SB 471 PWP SUPPORT](#)

[CMUA Letter S/a 2015-04-17](#)

Notes: *This bill would make projects that result in reduced energy use by a water supplier or an end user of water, eligible for C&T revenue*

funds.

[SB 486](#) ([McGuire D](#)) Telecommunications: reliability standards: 911 emergency service.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Regulatory

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the Public Utilities Commission, when considering the need for reliability standards, to consider standards governing the construction, operation, and maintenance of utility boxes, serving area interfaces, cross-connect facilities, cabinets, vaults, pedestals, and similar equipment located outside telephone corporation plant environments, particularly in areas that have previously experienced damage that caused a 911 outage, where the equipment is located in areas of high risk of vandalism or accidental damage and in areas lacking redundancy for backup of the main network facilities serving the area. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[SB 506](#) ([Fuller R](#)) Economic development: military and aerospace.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would establish the Military and Aerospace Program in the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, and set forth the program's duties and authority with respect to state and local defense retention, conversion, and base reuse activities, including developing and recommending to the Governor and the Legislature a strategic plan for state and local defense retention and conversion efforts.*

[SB 544](#) ([Lara D](#)) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: scoping plan.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *The State Air Resources Board is required to adopt a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide greenhouse gas emissions level in 1990 to be achieved by 2020. The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 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. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.*

[SB 550](#) ([Hertzberg D](#)) Net energy metering.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Net Metering/Feed in Tariff

PWP Position: Oppose

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, SCPPA- Oppose

Summary: *Current law relative to private energy producers requires every electric utility to develop a standard contract or tariff providing for net energy metering and to make this contract or tariff available to eligible customer-generators upon request for generation by a renewable electrical generation facility. This bill would delete the exemption for those local publicly owned electric utilities. The bill would define the "aggregate customer peak demand" for the purposes of calculating the net energy metering program limit for electric utilities that are not large electrical corporations. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[SB 551](#) ([Wolk D](#)) State water policy: water and energy efficiency.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Energy Efficiency, Water Conservation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch, MWD- Watch, SCWC- Watch

Summary: *Would declare the policy of the state that water use and water treatment shall operate in a manner that is as energy efficient as is feasible and energy use and generation shall operate in a manner that is as water efficient as is feasible. This bill would require all relevant state agencies to consider this state policy when revising, adopting, or establishing policies, regulations, and grant criteria when pertinent to these uses of water and energy. This bill contains other existing laws.*

Attachment: [SB 551 \(Wolk\) Author fact sheet](#)

[SB 553](#) ([Wolk D](#)) Water conservation.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Conservation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support, ACWA- Support, MWD- Support, SCWC- Watch

Summary: *Would require the Department of General Services to identify each public property in the department's state property inventory where it is feasible for water consumption to be reduced and water efficiencies to be achieved through implementation of the relevant recommendations made in the model water efficient landscape ordinance and would require the department to implement the relevant recommendations where feasible, except as specified. This bill contains other existing laws.*

[SB 554](#) ([Wolk D](#)) Delta levee maintenance.

Status: VETOED

Subject: Delta

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support, CMUA- Watch, MWD- Oppose unless Amended

Summary: *Current law establishes a delta levee maintenance program pursuant to which a local agency may request reimbursement for costs incurred in connection with the maintenance or improvement of project or nonproject levees in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. This bill would extend the authorization to reimburse eligible local agencies under the program and advance funds until July 1, 2020. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[SB 578](#) (Block D**) **Income and corporation taxes: credit: electric vehicle charging stations.****

Status: DEAD

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *The Personal Income Tax Law and the Bank and Corporation Tax Law allow various credits against the taxes imposed by those laws. This bill, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2016, would allow a credit in an amount equal to 30% of the cost of purchasing Level 2 or direct current fast charger electric vehicle charging stations to be used in the trade or business of the taxpayer, not to exceed \$30,000 per taxable year. This bill contains other related provisions.*

[SB 584](#) (Nguyen R**) **California Environmental Quality Act: exemption.****

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requires a lead agency to prepare a mitigated negative declaration for a project that may have a significant effect on the environment if revisions in the project would avoid or mitigate that effect and there is no substantial evidence that the project, as revised, would have a significant effect on the environment. CEQA exempts specified projects from its provisions. This bill would exempt from the requirements of CEQA a project for the resurfacing of a city or county park, as specified.*

[SB 615](#) (Berryhill R**) **Waste discharge requirements: waivers: managed wetlands.****

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would require that managed wetlands be presumed to not pose a significant threat to water quality and would require, with respect to managed wetlands, the state board and regional boards to waive the above-described reporting requirements, regional board prescribed waste discharge requirements, and monitoring requirements of the waiver program, except that the state board or a regional board shall require water quality monitoring of a managed wetland not more than once during the duration of each waiver period unless results of downstream monitoring demonstrate a violation of water quality discharge standards. The bill would limit this monitoring to contaminants that are actually applied by wetland managers to the wetland and contaminants that are known to be naturally present in the wetland environment.*

[SB 687](#) (Allen D**) **Renewable gas standard.****

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Energy

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, SCPPA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the state board, on or before June 30, 2017, in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission and the Public Utilities Commission, to adopt a carbon-based renewable gas standard, as defined and specified, that requires all gas sellers, as defined, to provide specified percentages of renewable gas meeting certain deliverability requirements, to retail end-use customers for use in California, that increases over specified compliance periods. The bill would authorize the state board to waive enforcement of the renewable gas standard upon certain showings being made by a gas seller.*

Notes: *This bill would require Natural Gas sellers to have 10% of NG sold to be from renewable sources such as biogas. Implications for increase costs for utilities using NG. Ultimately increasing costs for electric ratepayers.*

[SB 709](#) (Pavley D**) **Natural disaster resilience projects.****

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would enhance private financing of natural disaster resilience projects using state and local authorities*

[SB 723](#) (Pavley D**) **Energy efficiency: United States Armed Forces bases and facilities.****

Status: DEAD

Subject: Energy Efficiency

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require the Public Utilities Commission, in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission and the United States Armed Forces, to authorize a pilot program designed to evaluate the effects of using an alternative baseline energy efficiency methodology at United States Armed Forces bases and facilities. The bill would require electrical and gas corporations, using existing military contracting procedures, to the extent feasible, or new partnership with the federal government, to accomplish the goals of the pilot program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[SB 728](#) (Morrell R**) **California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program.****

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Portfolio Standards

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: SCPPA- Watch, CMUA- Watch

Summary: *Would require that the Public Utilities Commission evaluate the benefits and costs to the California economy, including upon low- and middle-income individuals and families and disadvantaged communities, before exercise of its authority to increase the procurement of eligible renewable energy resources in excess of the specified quantities. The bill would require the commission, in performing its evaluation, to conduct duly noticed public workshops throughout the state to allow for public comment and consideration of the economic findings.*

[SB 756](#) (Stone R**) **California Environmental Quality Act.****

Status: DEAD

[SB 900](#) ([Jackson D](#)) State lands: coastal hazard removal and remediation program.

Status: VETOED

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Current law establishes the State Lands Commission in the Natural Resources Agency and prescribes the functions and duties of the commission. Under existing law, the commission has jurisdiction over various state lands, including coastal lands. This bill would, upon appropriation of moneys by the Legislature, require the commission to, within 2 years, administer a coastal hazard removal and remediation program, as specified.

[SB 919](#) ([Hertzberg D](#)) Water supply: creation or augmentation of local water supplies.

Status: VETOED

Subject: Water Resources

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Support if Amended, ACWA- Support if Amended

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission, before January 1, 2018, in consultation with the Independent System Operator, to address the oversupply of renewable energy resources through a tariff or other economic incentive for electricity purchased by customers operating "facilities that create or augment local water supplies," as defined, to reduce the cost of electricity to those facilities. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Attachment: [Hertzberg introduces SB 919 to better manage California's renewable energy resources 2016-01-28](#)

[SB 949](#) ([Jackson D](#)) Emergency services: critical infrastructure information.

Status: DEAD

Subject: X Other

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: Would authorize the Governor to require owners and operators of critical infrastructure to submit critical infrastructure information, as those terms are defined, to the Office of Emergency Services, or any other designee, for the purposes of gathering, analyzing, communicating, or disclosing critical infrastructure information, as provided. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[SB 993](#) ([Fuller R](#)) Renewable energy resources.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Energy

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Watch

Summary: The quantities of electricity products are based upon a percentage of the utility's total retail sales of electricity in California. The Renewables Portfolio Standard Program authorizes an electrical corporation to apply to the Public Utilities Commission for approval to construct, own, and operate an eligible renewable energy resource, and requires the commission to approve the application if certain conditions are met. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to this authorization for an electrical corporation to apply to the commission for approval to construct, own, and operate an eligible renewable energy resource.

[SB 995](#) ([Pavley D](#)) Well standards.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support if Amended

Summary: Would, on or before January 1, 2019, require the Department of Water Resources to update well standards for water wells, monitoring wells, and cathodic protection wells based on existing knowledge and to submit these standards to the State Water Resources Control Board. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[SB 1035](#) ([Hueso D](#)) Transportation network companies.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would authorize Public Utilities Commission to fix the rates and establish rules for transportation network companies, prohibit discrimination, and award reparation for the exaction of unreasonable, excessive, or discriminatory charges by a transportation network company. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[SB 1041](#) ([Hueso D](#)) Energy: electric rates: public elementary and secondary schools.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Rates & Tariffs

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Neutral, SCPPA- Watch

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to consider the effects of establishing a rate for electric service specific to public elementary and secondary schools, including consideration of the extent to which the average electrical bills paid by public elementary and secondary schools will increase or decrease and the consistency between establishing the rate and other statutory obligations and state policies. The bill would require the commission to report its findings and conclusions to the relevant policy committees of the Legislature by January 1, 2018.

[SB 1043](#) ([Allen D](#)) Biogas and biomethane.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Energy

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board to consider and, as appropriate, adopt policies to significantly increase the sustainable production and use of biogas, as defined, and, in so doing, would require the state board, among other things, to ensure the production and use of biogas provides direct environmental benefits and identify barriers to the rapid development and use of biogas and potential sources of funding. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[SB 1049](#) ([Hill D](#)) Public Utilities Commission: electrical and gas corporations: close call reporting programs.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would authorize the Public Utilities Commission to establish procedures and processes to implement a confidential, nonpunitive, and independent close call reporting program for purposes of facilitating the identification of accident precursors by persons familiar with the operations of electrical or gas corporations and of collecting, analyzing, and disseminating unbiased safety information.*

[SB 1096](#) ([Berryhill R](#)) **Waste discharge requirements.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Current law, the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, requires each California regional water quality control board, after any necessary hearing, to prescribe waste discharge requirements to implement relevant water quality control plans, and authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board, after any necessary hearing, to prescribe waste discharge requirements, as specified. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.*

[SB 1153](#) ([Cannella R](#)) **Greenhouse gases: scoping plan: biomethane.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Net Metering/Feed in Tariff **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Air Resources Board, as a part of the update to the scoping plan and in consultation with other state entities, to provide a comprehensive overview of state efforts to encourage the development of in-state biomethane and renewable natural gas.*

[SB 1164](#) ([Cannella R](#)) **Sustainable Groundwater Management Act: groundwater sustainability agencies.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act authorizes a local agency or combination of local agencies overlying a groundwater basin to decide to become a groundwater sustainability agency for that basin. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to those provisions.*

[SB 1170](#) ([Wieckowski D](#)) **Public contracts: water pollution prevention plans: delegation.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Quality

PWP Position: Oppose

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, ACWA- Oppose

Summary: *Would, except as specified, prohibit a public entity, charter city, or charter county from delegating to a contractor the development of a plan, as defined, used to prevent or reduce water pollution or runoff on a public works contract. The bill would also prohibit a public entity, charter city, or charter county from requiring a contractor on a public works contract that includes compliance with a plan to assume responsibility for the completeness and accuracy of a plan developed by that entity*

[SB 1173](#) ([Hertzberg D](#)) **Water-conserving plumbing fixtures: CalConserve Water Use Efficiency Revolving Fund.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Conservation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: *Existing law includes specified requirements to replace plumbing fixtures that are not water conserving, defined as "noncompliant plumbing fixtures," to residential and commercial real property built and available for use on or before January 1, 1994, as specified. Existing law defines "commercial real property," "multifamily residential real property," and "water-conserving plumbing fixture" for purposes of these provisions. This bill would apply these requirements, as specified, to commercial real property regardless of when it was built. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[SB 1185](#) ([Cannella R](#)) **Energy: planning and forecasting.**

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Current law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to prepare an integrated energy policy report every 2 years. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that provision.*

[SB 1213](#) ([Wieckowski D](#)) **Renewable energy: biosolids: matching grants.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Renewable Energy

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to develop and implement the Biosolids to Clean Energy Grant Program to provide 50% matching funds to local wastewater agencies for biosolids to clean energy capital projects. Beginning with the 2016 -17 fiscal year, the bill would continuously appropriate \$20,000,000 annually from the fund to the commission for purposes of the program. This bill contains other existing laws.*

[SB 1233](#) ([McGuire D](#)) **Joint powers authorities: Water Bill Savings Act.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Conservation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Watch, ACWA- Watch

Summary: *Would enact the Water Bill Savings Act, which would authorize a joint powers authority to provide funding for a customer of a local agency or its publicly owned utility to acquire, install, or repair a water efficiency improvement on the customer's property served by the local agency or its publicly owned utility. The bill would require the customer to repay the authority through an efficiency charge on the customer's water bill to be established and collected by the local agency or its publicly owned utility on behalf of the authority pursuant to a servicing agreement.*

[SB 1294](#) ([Pavley D](#)) **The Community Climate and Drought Resilience Program of 2016.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would enact the Community Climate and Drought Resilience Program of 2016 and would require CalFire to review the urban forestry program and, if necessary, revise the program to provide funding priority to multibenefit carbon sequestration projects and to establish local or regional targets for urban tree canopy. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[SB 1298](#) ([Hertzberg D](#)) Local government: fees and charges.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Prop 218

PWP Position: Neutral

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, ACWA- Oppose

Summary: *Articles XIII C and XIII D of the California Constitution generally require that assessments, fees, and charges be submitted to property owners for approval or rejection after the provision of written notice and the holding of a public hearing. Current law, the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act, prescribes specific procedures and parameters for local jurisdictions to comply with Articles XIII C and XIII D of the California Constitution and defines terms for these purposes. This bill would define the term "sewer" for these purposes.*

Notes: *SB 1298 is well intentioned, but the bill creates a serious conflict by making statutory changes that conflict with the California Constitution (Prop 218). The bill previously included recycled water, but now only applies to stormwater.*

[SB 1299](#) ([Hertzberg D](#)) California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: renewable energy credits.

Status: DEAD

Summary: *The California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program additionally requires each local publicly owned electric utility, as defined, to procure a minimum quantity of electricity products from eligible renewable energy resources to achieve the targets established by the program. The program requires the commission to authorize the use of renewable energy credits to satisfy the renewables portfolio standard procurement requirements, subject to specified conditions. This bill would require that renewable energy credits be created for electricity generated under an electricity purchase contract executed after January 1, 2017, pursuant to PURPA, with those credits being owned by the owner of the eligible renewable energy resource unless otherwise agreed to by the owner.*

[SB 1301](#) ([Hertzberg D](#)) Natural gas: greenhouse gas allowance: allocation.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would authorize the Public Utilities Commission to require up to 25% of revenues received by a gas corporation as a result of the auction of greenhouse gas allowances to be used for clean energy and energy efficiency projects or programs approved by the commission, as specified. The bill would require the commission to require each gas corporation to annually report and post on its Internet Web site all expenditures of these revenues and the quantified reductions in greenhouse gases from projects or programs funded under these provisions.*

[SB 1317](#) ([Wolk D](#)) Groundwater extraction permit.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Oppose, CMUA- Watch, LEAGUE- Oppose

Summary: *Would prohibit a groundwater extraction facility in a high- or medium-priority basin from being developed without a valid groundwater extraction permit, with certain exceptions. The bill would not require a city or county overlying a medium- or high-priority basin to have a process for the issuance of a groundwater extraction permit for the development of a groundwater extraction facility on or after January 31, 2022, or once the department has evaluated a groundwater sustainability plan for the basin the city or county overlies and determined the plan to be adequate and likely to achieve the sustainability goal for the basin, whichever comes first.*

Attachment: [Press Release: Senator presses for immediate aquifer protection 2016-02-23](#)

[SB 1318](#) ([Wolk D](#)) Local government: drinking water infrastructure or services: wastewater infrastructure or services.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, ACWA- Oppose, MWD- Oppose, LEAGUE- Oppose

Summary: *The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 governs the procedures for the formation and change of organization of cities and special districts. This bill would additionally authorize a local agency formation commission to initiate a proposal by resolution of application for the annexation of a disadvantaged unincorporated community, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.*

[SB 1328](#) ([Lara D](#)) Water delivery projects: reduction of greenhouse gas emissions: funding.

Status: VETOED

Subject: Water Bond

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: *Would authorize the State Water Resources Control Board to expend moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature, to provide grants to public agencies, nonprofit organizations, public utilities, and mutual water companies to implement stormwater and dry weather runoff collection and treatment, wastewater, water recycling, and drinking water projects that are intended to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by decreasing the demand for fossil fuels needed to pump, transport, and deliver water to serve water consumers, as prescribed. This bill contains other existing laws.*

[SB 1338](#) ([Lara D](#)) Sales and use taxes: exemption: zero-emission and near-zero-emission equipment.

Status: DEAD

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would exempt from sales and use taxes, on and after January 1, 2017, and before January 1, 2030, the gross receipts from the sale of, and the storage, use, or other consumption of, qualified tangible personal property purchased by a qualified person, as defined, for use primarily in, at, or on a marine terminal or qualified tangible personal property used primarily to maintain, repair, or test the specified-described equipment, as provided. The bill would require the purchaser to furnish the retailer with an exemption certificate, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[SB 1340](#) ([Wolk D](#)) **Water Conservation in Landscaping Act.**

Status: VETOED

Subject: Water Conservation

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: CMUA- Oppose, ACWA- Oppose

Summary: *The Water Conservation in Landscaping Act, requires the Department of Water Resources to update a specified model water efficient landscape ordinance by regulation and prescribes various requirements for the updated model ordinance. Current law requires each local agency to adopt either the updated model water efficient landscape ordinance or an ordinance that is at least as effective in conserving water as the updated model ordinance. If the local agency does not make a selection, the model ordinance shall apply within the jurisdiction of the local agency. This bill, on or after July 1, 2018, would require a local agency to require a permit for the installation of specified automatic irrigation systems, or the expansion of the same specified automatic irrigation systems to increase the irrigated area by 25% or more, for a landscape project.*

[SB 1350](#) ([Wolk D](#)) **Agricultural lands: greenhouse gases: Healthy Soils Program.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 requires the Secretary of Food and Agriculture to convene a 5-member Scientific Advisory Panel on Environmental Farming, as prescribed, for the purpose of providing advice and assistance to federal, state, and local government agencies on issues relating to air, water, and wildlife habitat, as specified. Current law authorizes the panel to establish ad hoc committees to assist the panel in performing its functions. This bill would change the number of members on the panel from 5 to 7 members and would require that the secretary appoint 5 instead of 3 of these members, as prescribed.*

[SB 1402](#) ([Pavley D](#)) **Low-carbon fuels.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would create the California Low-Carbon Fuels Incentive Program to be administered by the state board and the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, and would authorize moneys in the fund appropriated to the program to be used to provide incentives for the in-state production of low-carbon transportation fuels from new and existing facilities using sustainable feedstock, with priority to be given to projects benefitting disadvantaged communities.*

[SB 1405](#) ([Pavley D](#)) **Zero-emission vehicles: transportation systems.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: EVs/Alt Fuels

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would require the State Air Resources Board, by March 1, 2017, to revise its zero-emission vehicle standard regulation to expand the definition of "transportation systems eligible for zero-emission vehicle credits" under that regulation to include additional entities utilizing fleets of zero-emission vehicles, including rental car companies, transportation network companies, taxicab companies, and car-sharing companies, to the extent that the operations of those entities involve ridesharing features offered by those entities that reduce per-passenger emissions. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[SB 1415](#) ([Bates R](#)) **California Environmental Quality Act: local water projects: scoping meetings.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: CEQA

PWP Position: Watch

Affiliate Positions: ACWA- Support

Summary: *Would require a lead agency to call at least one scoping meeting to receive public comments for local projects for stormwater or dry weather runoff capture and reuse, water recycling, or wastewater treatment to improve water quality. Because a local lead agency would be required to conduct at least one scoping meeting, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.*

[SB 1430](#) ([Pavley D](#)) **Vehicular air pollution: greenhouse gas emissions.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would direct the State Air Resources Board to reassert its authority to regulate tail pipe emissions if the upcoming federal midterm review process on fuel economy and greenhouse gas emissions standards results in a weakening of the proposed standards.*

[SB 1440](#) ([Cannella R](#)) **Environmental quality: Water Quality, Supply, and Infrastructure Improvement Act of 2014.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Bond

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: *Would require a lead agency, in certifying an environmental impact report and in granting approvals for certain water storage projects funded, in whole or in part, by Proposition 1, to comply with specified procedures. Because a public agency would be required to comply with those new procedures, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would authorize the lead agency to concurrently prepare the record of proceedings for the project.*

[SB 1441](#) ([Leno D](#)) **Natural gas: methane emissions.**

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch **Affiliate Positions:** SCPPA- Watch

Summary: Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission, in order to achieve transparency and accountability for rate revenues and best value for ratepayers, to consider, among other things, providing revenues for all activities identified and required by certain rules and procedures governing the operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement of commission-regulated gas pipeline facilities, including any adjustment of allowance for lost and unaccounted for gas related to actual leakage volumes. This bill, on or after January 1, 2019, to the extent feasible and in appropriate proceedings, as determined by the commission, would prohibit the commission from allowing a gas corporation to seek or receive recovery from ratepayers for the value of natural gas lost to the atmosphere from certain natural gas facilities under the control of the gas corporation, as specified.

SB 1443 (Galgiani D) Incarcerated persons: health records.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: Would authorize the disclosure of information between a county correctional facility, a county medical facility, a state correctional facility, or a state hospital to ensure the continuity of health care of an inmate being transferred between those facilities. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 1453 (De León D) Electrical generation: greenhouse gases emission performance standard.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: Would require the PUC to review any capital expenditure proposed by an electrical corporation for baseload generation that does not comply with the greenhouse gases emission performance standard established by the PUC and to not permit those costs to be recovered in rates if it finds, among other things, that the proposed capital expenditure will materially extend the service life of the baseload generation. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

Action Item: Review

Notes: SB 350 "clean-up" and/or a potential regional governance legislative vehicle.

SB 1463 (Moorlach R) Electrical lines: mitigation of wildfire risks.

Status: VETOED

PWP Position: Watch

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission, in consultation with the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, to prioritize areas in which communities are subject to conditions that increase fire hazards associated with overhead utility facilities when determining areas in which it will require enhanced mitigation measures for wildfire hazards posed by overhead electrical lines and equipment.

SB 1469 (Stone R) Groundwater sustainability agencies.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Groundwater **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act authorizes any local agency or combination of local agencies overlying a groundwater basin to decide to become a groundwater sustainability agency for that basin, as prescribed. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to those provisions.

SB 1472 (Mendoza D) Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Water Management **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: Current 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. This bill would expand the board of directors to 22 members by adding 2 members that reside in the County of Los Angeles, one member appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly and one member appointed by the Senate Committee Rules, selected from a list of candidates submitted by the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee, and would prohibit these members from residing in the same city as another member of the authority, as specified.

SBX1 6 (Runner R) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: transportation expenditures.

Status: DEAD

Subject: Climate Change/GHG **PWP Position:** Watch

Summary: Would delete the continuous appropriations from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund for the high-speed rail project, and would prohibit any of the proceeds from the fund from being used for that project. The bill would continuously appropriate the remaining 65% of annual proceeds of the fund to the California Transportation Commission for allocation to high-priority transportation projects, as determined by the commission, with 40% of those moneys to be allocated to state highway projects, 40% to local street and road projects divided equally between cities and counties, and 20% to public transit projects.

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