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**November 12, 2014****To:** LAFCo Commissioners**From:** Martha Poyatos, Executive Officer

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Poyatos', written over the printed name.

**Subject:** Legislative Report

Attached is the CALAFCO legislative report on the status on bills of interest to LAFCos. Of note is that the two bills (AB 1521 and SB 69) that would have increased vehicle license fee (VLF) subventions to cities that have incorporated or annexed inhabited territory in the last five years were vetoed by the Governor on September 28, 2014 because of the impact to long-term general fund costs. CALAFCO and this Commission had sent letters urging the Governor to sign these bills.

Chaptered bills include several regarding locally based groundwater management systems, one adding joint power authorities (JPAs) to the agencies required to comply with information requests from LAFCos, a bill with "clean-up" provisions to various sections of the Cortese Knox Local Government Reorganization (CKH) Act, and several bills concerning reorganization issues in individual counties.

Staff will be prepared to respond to questions at the November 19th regular LAFCo meeting.

## CALAFCO Daily Legislative Report as of Monday, November 10, 2014

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**[AB 453](#) (Mullin D) Sustainable communities.**

Dead

**Current Text:** Amended: 7/3/2013 [pdf](#) [html](#)
**Introduced:** 2/19/2013

**Last Amended:** 7/3/2013

**Status:** 8/15/2014-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(14). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/12/2013)

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**Summary:**

The Strategic Growth Council is required to manage and award grants and loans to a council of governments, metropolitan planning organization, regional transportation planning agency, city, county, or joint powers authority for the purpose of developing, adopting, and implementing a regional plan or other planning instrument to support the planning and development of sustainable communities. This bill would make a local agency formation commission eligible for the award of financial assistance for those planning purposes.

**Attachments:**
[CALAFCO Support Letter 03 12 13](#)
**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Sustainable Community Plans

**CALAFCO Comments:** This would allow LAFcos to apply directly for grants that support the preparation of sustainable community strategies and other planning efforts. CALAFCO has removed its support of the bill given the nature of the amendment and the potential impact to LAFcos.

**[AB 678](#) (Gordon D) Health care districts: community health needs assessment.**

Dead

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/15/2013 [pdf](#) [html](#)
**Introduced:** 2/21/2013

**Last Amended:** 4/15/2013

**Status:** 8/15/2014-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(14) . (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/13/2013).

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**Summary:**

Would require that the health care district conduct an assessment, every 5 years, of the community's health needs and provide opportunities for public input. Commencing January 1, 2019, the bill would require the annual reports to address the progress made in meeting the community's health needs in the context of the assessment. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Attachments:**
[CALAFCO Letter of support April 17, 2014](#)
**Position:** Support

**Subject:** LAFco Administration, Service Reviews/Spheres

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill requires Health Care Districts that do not operate their own hospital facilities to create every 5 years, an assessment of the community health needs with public input. The bill requires LAFcos to include in a Municipal Service Review (MSR) the Health Care District's 5-year assessment.

**[AB 1521](#) (Fox D) Local government finance: property tax revenue allocations: vehicle license fee adjustments.**

**Current Text:** Vetoed: 9/29/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 1/16/2014

**Last Amended:** 8/4/2014

Vetoed

**Status:** 9/28/2014-Vetoed by the Governor

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**Summary:**

Beginning with the 2004-05 fiscal year, current law requires that each city, county, and city and county receive additional property tax revenues in the form of a vehicle license fee adjustment amount, as defined, from a vehicle license fee property tax compensation fund that exists in each county treasury. Current law requires that these additional allocations be funded from ad valorem property tax revenues otherwise required to be allocated to educational entities. This bill would modify these reduction and transfer provisions, for the 2014-15 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, by providing for a vehicle license fee adjustment amount calculated on the basis of changes in assessed valuation.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Letter of Support \(Feb 2014\)](#)

**Position:** Support

**Subject:** Financial Viability of Agencies, Tax Allocation

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill reinstates the VLF payment (through ERAF) and changes the way that the growth in the VLF adjustment amount (property tax in lieu of VLF) is calculated starting in FY 2014-15 to include the growth of assessed valuation, including in an annexed area, from FY 2004-05 to FY 2014-15. Beginning in FY 2015-16, the VLF adjustment amount would be the jurisdiction's annual change in the assessed valuation.

**AB 1527 (Perea D) Public water systems: Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.**

**Current Text:** Vetoed: 9/29/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 1/17/2014

**Last Amended:** 8/20/2014

Vetoed

**Status:** 9/28/2014-Vetoed by the Governor

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**Summary:**

Would require the State Water Resources Control Board to provide incentives for the consolidation of public water systems based upon a service review developed by a local agency formation commission. This bill would repeal these provisions as of January 1 of the next calendar year occurring after the board provides notice to the Legislature and the Secretary of State and posts notice on its Internet Web site that the board has adopted a policy handbook.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Support Letter](#)

[CALAFCO Support if Amended Letter](#)

**Position:** Support

**Subject:** Disadvantaged Communities, Municipal Services, Service Reviews/Spheres

**CALAFCO Comments:** As amended, this bill requires the State Water Resources Control Board to provide incentives for the consolidation of public water systems based on LAFCo studies. It further requires the Board to adopt a policy handbook. Once done, this newly added provision will be repealed.

The bill has undergone a number of substantial amendments, consequently eliminating the provision that LAFCos be added to the list of eligible entities for receiving grant funding from the Strategic Growth Council. However it still acknowledges the importance and usefulness of Municipal Service Reviews at the state level by requiring the Board to use that data in their processes of consolidation incentives.

**AB 1729 (Logue R) Local government: agricultural land: subvention payments.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/20/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/14/2014

**Dead**

**Last Amended:** 3/20/2014

**Status:** 8/31/2014-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was A. APPR. on 3/24/2014)

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**Summary:**

Would appropriate \$40,000,000 to the Controller from the General Fund for the 2014-15 fiscal year to make subvention payments to counties to reimburse counties for property tax revenues not received as a result of these contracts. The bill would make legislative findings and declarations related to the preservation of agricultural land.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Letter of Support March 2014](#)

**Position:** Support

**Subject:** Ag Preservation - Williamson

**CALAFCO Comments:** As amended, the bill will appropriate \$40 million from the General Fund in fiscal year 2014/2015 for subvention payments to counties for Williamson Act contracts.

**[AB 1739](#) ([Dickinson D](#)) Groundwater management.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 9/16/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Chaptered**

**Introduced:** 2/14/2014

**Last Amended:** 8/22/2014

**Status:** 9/16/2014-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 347, Statutes of 2014.

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**Summary:**

Would provide specific authority to a groundwater sustainability agency, as defined in SB 1168 of the 2013-14 Regular Session, to impose certain fees. The bill would authorize the Department of Water Resources or a groundwater sustainability agency to provide technical assistance to entities that extract or use groundwater to promote water conservation and protect groundwater resources. This bill would require the department, by January 1, 2017, to publish on its Internet Web site best management practices for the sustainable management of groundwater.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Letter of Concern \(June 2014\)](#)

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** LAFCo Administration, Water

**CALAFCO Comments:** As amended, all references to LAFCo being involved in the formation and governance processes for groundwater management agencies have been removed. Agencies will be formed by public agencies as dependent special districts or through JPA, MOU or some other legal agreement. Coordination for overlapping basins and subbasins will be done at the local level.

**[AB 1961](#) ([Eggman D](#)) Land use: planning: sustainable farmland strategy.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 4/22/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Dead**

**Introduced:** 2/19/2014

**Last Amended:** 4/22/2014

**Status:** 5/23/2014-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(8). (Last location was A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/23/2014)

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**Summary:**

Would require each county to develop, on or before January 2, 2018, a sustainable farmland strategy. The bill would require the sustainable farmland strategy to include, among other things, a map and inventory of all agriculturally zoned land within the county, a description of the goals, strategies, and related policies and ordinances, to retain agriculturally zoned

land where practical and mitigate the loss of agriculturally zoned land to nonagricultural uses or zones, and a page on the county's Internet Web site with the relevant documentation for the goals, strategies, and related policies and ordinances, as specified.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Ag/Open Space Protection, CKH General Procedures, LAFCo Administration

**CALAFCO Comments:** As amended, the bill requires counties with 4% or more of its land zoned as agricultural to create a sustainable farmland strategy (sfs) effective January 1, 2018, in consultation with cities and LAFCo, and to update the sfs as necessary. The bill also requires OPR to create best practices that support ag land retention and mitigation. The bill creates an unfunded mandate for counties.

**AB 2156 (Achadjian R) Local agency formation commissions: studies.**

Chaptered

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 6/4/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/20/2014

**Last Amended:** 3/24/2014

**Status:** 6/4/2014-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 21, Statutes of 2014.

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**Summary:**

Would include joint powers agencies and joint powers authorities among the entities from which the local agency formation commission is authorized to request land use information, studies, and plans, for purposes of conducting specified studies, and also would include joint powers agreements in the list of items the commission may request in conducting those studies. The bill would specifically define "joint powers agency" and "joint powers authority" for purposes of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Letter of Support March 2014](#)

**Position:** Support

**Subject:** CKH General Procedures, LAFCo Administration, Municipal Services, Service Reviews/Spheres

**CALAFCO Comments:** As amended, the bill specifically defines "joint powers agency" and "joint powers authority" for purposes of the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (C-K-H), and includes joint powers agencies and joint powers authorities (JPAs) among the entities from which a local agency formation commission (LAFCo) is authorized to request information in order to conduct required studies.

**AB 2762 (Committee on Local Government) Local government.**

Chaptered

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 7/9/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 3/24/2014

**Last Amended:** 5/6/2014

**Status:** 7/9/2014-Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 112, Statutes of 2014.

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**Summary:**

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 does not apply to pending proceedings for a change or organization or reorganization for which the application was accepted for filing prior to January 1, 2001, as specified. The act authorizes these pending proceedings to be continued and completed under, and in accordance with, the law under which the proceedings were commenced. This bill would repeal those provisions relating to pending proceedings for a change or organization or reorganization for which an application was accepted for filing prior to January 1, 2001, and make other conforming changes.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Request Governor Signature](#)  
[CALAFCO Letter of Support March 2014](#)

**Position:** Sponsor

**Subject:** CKH General Procedures

**SB 56 (Roth D) Local government finance: property tax revenue allocation: vehicle license fee adjustments.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 6/11/2013 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 1/7/2013

Dead

**Last Amended:** 6/11/2013

**Status:** 2/3/2014-Returned to Secretary of Senate pursuant to Joint Rule 56.

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**Summary:**

Beginning with the 2004-05 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, existing law requires that each city, county, and city and county receive additional property tax revenues in the form of a vehicle license fee adjustment amount, as defined, from a Vehicle License Fee Property Tax Compensation Fund that exists in each county treasury. Current law requires that these additional allocations be funded from ad valorem property tax revenues otherwise required to be allocated to educational entities. This bill would modify these reduction and transfer provisions, for the 2013-14 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, by providing for a vehicle license fee adjustment amount calculated on the basis of changes in assessed valuation. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Letter of support April 10, 2013](#)

**Position:** Support

**Subject:** Financial Viability of Agencies, Tax Allocation

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill reinstates revenues through ERAF (backfilled by the state general Fund) for cities incorporating after 2005 and annexations of inhabited territories.

**SB 69 (Roth D) Local government finance: property tax revenue allocation: vehicle license fee adjustments.**

**Current Text:** Vetoed: 9/29/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 1/10/2013

Vetoed

**Last Amended:** 8/18/2014

**Status:** 9/28/2014-Vetoed by the Governor

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**Summary:**

Current property tax law requires the county auditor, in each fiscal year, to allocate property tax revenue to local jurisdictions in accordance with specified formulas and procedures. This bill would modify these reduction and transfer provisions for a city incorporating after January 1, 2004, and on or before January 1, 2012, for the 2014-15 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, by providing for a vehicle license fee adjustment amount calculated on the basis of changes in assessed valuation. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Letter Requesting Governor Signature SB 69 \(Aug 2014\)](#)

[CALAFCO Support SB 69 Feb 2014](#)

**Position:** Support

**Subject:** Tax Allocation

**CALAFCO Comments:** The bill calls for reinstatement of the VLF through ERAF for cities that incorporated between January 1, 2004 and January 1, 2012. There are no provisions for back payments for lost revenue, but the bill does reinstate future payments beginning in the 2014/15 year for cities that incorporated between 1-1-2004 and 1-1-2012.

**SB 614 (Wolk D) Local government: jurisdictional changes: infrastructure financing.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 9/29/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/22/2013

Chaptered

**Last Amended:** 8/18/2014

**Status:** 9/29/2014-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 784, Statutes of 2014.

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**Summary:**

The Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 requires a local agency or school district that initiates proceedings for a change of local government organization or reorganization by submitting a resolution of application to a local agency formation commission to also submit a plan for providing services within the affected territory, as specified. This bill would instead require, if a proposal for a change of organization or reorganization is submitted to a local commission, that the applicant submit a plan for providing services within the affected territory.

**Attachments:**

- [CALAFCO Letter Requesting Governor Signature](#)
- [CALAFCO Letter of Concern \(June 2014\)](#)

**Position:** Support

**Subject:** Annexation Proceedings, CKH General Procedures, Disadvantaged Communities

**CALAFCO Comments:** As amended, the bill is intended to provide an incentive to cities to annex disadvantaged unincorporated communities by creating an option for a funding mechanism using a property tax sharing agreement by affected entities (to share the 1% tax dollars) and ensuing tax increment. A special district would be created to act as the vehicle for that funding. The bill allows LAFCo to consider, as part of the application, the formation of a new district or the reorganization of an existing district, but only if all of the affected agencies are in agreement.

CALAFCO had a number of concerns with the bill which were addressed by the author in the August 18th amendments.

**SB 757 ([Berryhill R](#)) Groundwater management.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 8/22/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Dead

**Introduced:** 2/22/2013

**Last Amended:** 8/22/2014

**Status:** 8/31/2014-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was A. RLS. on 8/25/2014)

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**Summary:**

Would state the policy of the state that groundwater resources be managed responsibly for long-term water supply reliability and multiple economic, social, or environmental benefits for current and future beneficial uses. The bill would state that responsible groundwater management is best achieved locally through the development, implementation, and updating of plans and programs based on the best available science and in consideration of local needs and circumstances.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** LAFCo Administration, Water

**SB 1168 ([Pavley D](#)) Groundwater management.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 9/16/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Chaptered

**Introduced:** 2/20/2014

**Last Amended:** 8/29/2014

**Status:** 9/16/2014-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 346, Statutes of 2014.

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**Summary:**

Would state the policy of the state that groundwater resources be managed sustainably for long-term reliability and multiple economic, social, and environmental benefits for current and future beneficial uses. This bill would state that sustainable groundwater management is

best achieved locally through the development, implementation, and updating of plans and programs based on the best available science. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Letter of Concern](#)

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Water

**[SB 1319](#) ([Pavley D](#)) **Groundwater.****

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 9/16/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Chaptered

**Introduced:** 2/21/2014

**Last Amended:** 8/29/2014

**Status:** 9/16/2014-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 348, Statutes of 2014.

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**Summary:**

Would authorize the state board to designate certain high- and medium-priority basins as a probationary basin if, after January 31, 2025, prescribed criteria are met, including that the state board determines that the basin is in a condition where groundwater extractions result in significant depletions of interconnected surface waters. This bill would add to the prescribed determinations that would prevent the state board from designating the basin as a probationary basin for a specified time period.

**Subject:** Water

**[AB 543](#) ([Campos D](#)) **California Environmental Quality Act: translation.****

**Current Text:** Vetoed: 9/25/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Vetoed

**Introduced:** 2/20/2013

**Last Amended:** 6/24/2014

**Status:** 9/25/2014-Vetoed by the Governor

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**Summary:**

CEQA requires the Office of Planning and Research to prepare and develop guidelines for the implementation of CEQA and the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency to certify and adopt those guidelines. This bill would require the office, on or before July 1, 2016, to prepare and develop recommended amendments to the guidelines and the secretary, on or before January 1, 2017, to certify and adopt those amendments to the guidelines to establish criteria for a lead agency to assess the need for translating those notices into non-English languages, as specified.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** CEQA

**CALAFCO Comments:** As amended, requires OPR to establish criteria for a lead agency to assess the need for translating those notices into non-English languages, as specified by July 1, 2016.

**[AB 642](#) ([Rendon D](#)) **Publication: newspaper of general circulation: Internet Web site.****

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/20/2013 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Dead

**Introduced:** 2/20/2013

**Status:** 1/24/2014-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(2). (Last location was JUD. on 3/11/2013)

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**Summary:**



Current law requires that various types of notices are provided in a newspaper of general circulation. Current law requires a newspaper of general circulation to meet certain criteria, including, among others, that it be published and have a substantial distribution to paid subscribers in the city, district, or judicial district in which it is seeking adjudication. This bill would provide that a newspaper that is available on an Internet Web site may also qualify as a newspaper of general circulation, provided that newspaper meets certain criteria.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** LAFCo Administration

**CALAFCO Comments:** Allows for posting of agendas and meeting material on newspaper websites.

**AB 677 (Fox D) Local government finance: property tax revenue allocation: vehicle license fee adjustments.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 1/6/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Dead

**Introduced:** 2/21/2013

**Last Amended:** 1/6/2014

**Status:** 1/17/2014-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(1). (Last location was L. GOV. on 1/7/2014)

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**Summary:**

Would modify specified reduction and transfer provisions, for the 2013-14 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, by providing for a vehicle license fee adjustment amount calculated on the basis of changes in assessed valuation. This bill would also modify these reduction and transfer provisions, for the 2013-14 fiscal year and for each fiscal year thereafter, by providing for a vehicle license fee adjustment amount for certain cities incorporating after a specified date, as provided. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Financial Viability of Agencies, Tax Allocation

**AB 1593 (Dahle R) Public cemetery districts: Auburn Public Cemetery District.**

**Current Text:** Introduced: 2/3/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Dead

**Introduced:** 2/3/2014

**Status:** 5/9/2014-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(6). (Last location was L. GOV. on 2/14/2014)

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**Summary:**

Would authorize the Auburn Public Cemetery District in Placer County to use their cemeteries for up to a total of 400 interments each, not to exceed 40 interments each per calendar year, to inter nonresidents and nonproperty taxpayers, if specified conditions are met. This bill contains other related provisions.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Other

**AB 1897 (Hernández, Roger D) Labor contracting: client liability.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 9/29/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Chaptered

**Introduced:** 2/19/2014

**Last Amended:** 8/22/2014

**Status:** 9/28/2014-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 728, Statutes of 2014.

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**Summary:**

Would require a client employer to share with a labor contractor all civil legal responsibility and civil liability for all workers supplied by that labor contractor for the payment of wages

and the failure to obtain valid workers' compensation coverage. The bill would prohibit a client employer from shifting to the labor contractor legal duties or liabilities under workplace safety provisions with respect to workers provided by the labor contractor. The bill would define a client employer as a business entity that obtains or is provided workers to perform labor within the usual course of business from a labor contractor, except as specified.

**Position:** Watch  
**Subject:** LAFCo Administration

**AB 1995 (Levine D) Community service districts: covenants, conditions, and restrictions: enforcement.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 8/25/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Chaptered

**Introduced:** 2/20/2014

**Last Amended:** 6/30/2014

**Status:** 8/25/2014-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 289, Statutes of 2014.

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**Summary:**

Would authorize the Bel Marin Keys Community Services District to enforce all or part of the covenants, conditions, and restrictions for a tract within that district, and to assume the duties of an architectural control committee for that tract, as provided. This bill contains other related provisions.

**Position:** Watch  
**Subject:** LAFCo Administration, Special District Powers

**AB 2443 (Rendon D) Water Recycling Act of 1991: mutual water companies: duplication of service.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 9/29/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Chaptered

**Introduced:** 2/21/2014

**Last Amended:** 8/22/2014

**Status:** 9/29/2014-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 817, Statutes of 2014.

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**Summary:**

Would authorize a recycled water producer or wholesaler that has identified a potential use or customer within the service area or jurisdiction of the retail water supplier, to request, in writing, a retail water supplier to enter into an agreement to provide recycled water to the potential customer consistent with specified requirements of the Water Recycling Act of 1991. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position:** Watch  
**Subject:** Water

**AB 2453 (Achadjian R) Paso Robles Basin Water District.**

Chaptered

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 9/16/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/21/2014

**Last Amended:** 8/4/2014

**Status:** 9/16/2014-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 350, Statutes of 2014.

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**Summary:**

Would, until January 1, 2019, provide for the formation of the Paso Robles Basin Water District, and would set forth the composition of, and method of election by landowners and registered voters for, the board of directors for the Paso Robles Basin Water District, the boundaries of which would be established and may be modified by the San Luis Obispo County Local Agency Formation Commission.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Water

**AB 2455 (Williams D) The Santa Rita Hills Community Services District.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 9/20/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Chaptered

**Introduced:** 2/21/2014

**Last Amended:** 6/17/2014

**Status:** 9/20/2014-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 505, Statutes of 2014.

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**Summary:**

Would authorize, until January 1, 2035, the board of directors of the Santa Rita Hills Community Services District to consist of 3 members, if the board of directors receives a petition signed by a majority of voters requesting a reduction in the number of board members and thereafter adopts a resolution that orders the reduction, as specified. The bill would also, until January 1, 2025, authorize the board, if the number of members is reduced to 3, to adopt a resolution to increase the number of members from 3 to 5, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Special District Principle Acts

**CALAFCO Comments:** This bill as amended allows for the reduction of the size of the governing Board of this district from five to three members until January 1, 2025.

**AB 2480 (Yamada D) Local government finance: cities: annexations.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 3/28/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/21/2014

**Last Amended:** 3/28/2014

Dead

**Status:** 8/31/2014-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was A. L. GOV. on 4/1/2014)

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**Summary:**

Would, beginning on January 10, 2015, and on the 10th of each month thereafter, require the Controller to pay to each city that incorporated before August 5, 2004, an amount equal to an amount determined by a specified formula. This bill would continuously appropriate to the Controller an amount sufficient to make those payments from the General Fund.

**Position:** Watch

**Subject:** Financial Viability of Agencies, Tax Allocation

**CALAFCO Comments:** The intent of this bill is the same as AB 1521, which is moving forward, so the author has let this bill die.

**SB 731 (Steinberg D) Environment: California Environmental Quality Act.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 9/9/2013 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/22/2013

**Last Amended:** 9/9/2013

Dead

**Status:** 8/31/2014-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(17). (Last location was L. GOV. on 9/11/2013)

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**Summary:**

Would provide that aesthetic and parking impacts of a residential, mixed-use residential, or employment center project, as defined, on an infill site, as defined, within a transit priority area, as defined, shall not be considered significant impacts on the environment. The bill would require the Office of Planning and Research to prepare and submit to the Secretary of the Natural Resources Agency, and the secretary to certify and adopt, revisions to the guidelines for the implementation of CEQA establishing thresholds of significance for noise and transportation impacts of projects within transit priority areas. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

**Position:** Watch  
**Subject:** CEQA

**SB 1122 (Pavley D) Sustainable communities: Strategic Growth Council.**

**Current Text:** Amended: 5/5/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

**Introduced:** 2/19/2014

Dead

**Last Amended:** 5/5/2014

**Status:** 5/23/2014-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(b)(8). (Last location was S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/23/2014)

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**Summary:**

Current law authorizes moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to be allocated for the purpose of reducing greenhouse gas emissions in this state through specified investments, including funding to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through strategic planning and development of sustainable infrastructure projects. This bill would additionally authorize the council to manage and award financial assistance for the purpose of supporting the implementation of sustainable communities strategies or alternative planning strategies, to be funded from moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, upon appropriation by the Legislature. The bill would require the council to adopt guidelines for the use of the funds by recipients.

**Position:** Watch  
**Subject:** Sustainable Community Plans

**SB 1230 (Committee on Governance and Finance) Validations.**

**Current Text:** Chaptered: 5/29/2014 [pdf](#) [html](#)

Chaptered

**Introduced:** 2/20/2014

**Status:** 5/29/2014-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 19, Statutes of 2014.

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**Summary:**

This bill would enact the First Validating Act of 2014, which would validate the organization, boundaries, acts, proceedings, and bonds of the state and counties, cities, and specified districts, agencies, and entities. This bill contains other related provisions.

**Attachments:**

[CALAFCO Support Letter](#)

**Position:** Support  
**Subject:** Other

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