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STATE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

State Budget Conference Committee Report No. 16

The Legislature continues to search for the key to unlocking the budget stalemate. The Senate has yet to take up Senate Bill 739 (Peace), the budget bill passed earlier in the week by the Assembly. Senator Burton remains steadfast that he wants the Assembly to act on "trailer bills", before the Senate will begin its budget votes.

The Assembly held a lengthy floor session yesterday, beginning early in the morning and adjourning around 11:00 p.m. That session's work was truncated by numerous breaks for caucuses, committee hearings, and recesses as budget negotiations continued and strategies for attracting Republican votes for "trailer bills" were pursued. In the end, some noncontroversial "trailer bills", relating to education, governmental housekeeping, and firearms dealer inspections were adopted. More controversial measures relating to school facilities fees, health, and social services programs failed to muster the necessary two-thirds vote, so they were granted reconsideration and will be taken up another time.

Both houses are scheduled for Friday floor session, and both have announced plans to work over the weekend.

Pursuit of County Position on Legislation

AB 640 (Jackson), as amended on May 1, 2001, would require the California Coastal Commission (CCC) to review every local coastal program (LCP) at least once every five years to determine if it is being effectively implemented in conformity with Coastal Act

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policies. If the CCC determines that the LCP is not being effectively implemented, it will prepare a final report which shall include recommendations for action by the affected local government and amendments to the certified LCP. If the local government fails to update the LCP, the CCC is authorized to halt processing of further amendments to the LCP and subjects all permits issued by the local government under the existing LCP to review by the CCC.

According to Regional Planning, the County has two existing certified LCPs, Marina del Rey and Santa Catalina Island. This bill affects existing LCPs by giving authority to the CCC to stop processing amendments to the LCP if the County does not submit a comprehensive update of the LCP or if the County does not intend to submit an update within 18 months. These amendments contain elements endorsed by the County and the bill would allow the CCC to determine the acceptability of our amendments. Therefore, AB 640 would limit the County's local land use decision-making authority. AB 640 also gives the CCC the authority to review permits that the County has already issued, increasing the local land use decision-making authority given to the CCC. According to Regional Planning, AB 640 effectively replaces the County with the CCC as the permit issuing body.

Both the Departments of Regional Planning and Beaches and Harbors recommend that the County oppose AB 640 which is consistent with prior Board policy to oppose legislation that infringes upon County Board of Supervisor local land use decision-making authority. Therefore, **our Sacramento advocates will oppose AB 640**. AB 640 is in the Assembly Appropriations Committee and is a two year bill.

Status of County Interest Legislation

County-supported SB 223 (Burton), relating to drug testing and implementation of Proposition 36, was amended on July 16, 2001 to require a County to have an approved plan for implementing Proposition 36 on file with the State Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs to qualify for a grant for drug testing of probationers and parolees. The amendments include the required elements of the plan and other technical amendments. Also, on July 18, 2001, SB 223 passed out of the Assembly Appropriations Committee on a vote of 14-0 and goes to the Assembly Floor.

County-supported SB 574 (Polanco) which would enact the Juvenile Facility Capital Expenditure and Bond Act of 2002 which authorizes a \$400 million bond issue for construction of county juvenile facilities, passed out of the Assembly Public Safety Committee on July 19, 2001 and will go to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

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