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SACRAMENTO UPDATE

Senate Budget Subcommittee Action on Local Criminal Justice Items

On Thursday, May 8, 2008, Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee #4 took action to eliminate a number of local criminal justice grants which would reduce State funding to the County by $121.8 million in FY 2008-09. The subcommittee had taken testimony on State funding for these grants in a previous hearing.

The Senate action eliminated funding for the COPS grant ($8.8 million), Juvenile Justice Crime Prevention Act Grant (JJCPA) ($33 million), and Juvenile Probation Camp funding ($80 million). The Subcommittee also eliminated the Mentally Ill Offender Competitive Grant and Booking Fee Subventions. The impact on the County of these actions is unknown.

In January, the Governor's Proposed Budget included 10 percent reductions in the Citizens' Option for Public Safety (COPS) ($1.0 million), JJCPA grants ($3.3 million), and Juvenile Probation Camp funding ($8.0 million). In February, the Legislative Analyst proposed to consolidate Juvenile Probation Camp funding and JJCPA funding ($5.6 million) and eliminate the COPS Grant ($8.8 million).

The Assembly has not taken action on any of these items, and it is not known whether the Governor will recommend similar reductions as part of the May Revision which is scheduled to be released on May 14, 2008.

We are working with our departments to develop more information on the potential impact of these actions.

Pursuit of County Position on Legislation

AB 2058 (Levine, Brownley and Davis), as amended on May 5, 2008, would: 1) prohibit a store from providing plastic carryout bags to customers unless it can demonstrate to the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) a 70 percent reduction of the plastic bags it dispensed in 2007 by December 31, 2010; 2) require a store that does not meet the 70 percent diversion rate to charge a 25-cent per plastic bag fee effective July 1, 2011; 3) require stores to charge a 25-cent per bag fee on paper bags effective July 1, 2011; 4) allow stores to retain all revenues derived from the plastic and paper bag fees and require these fees to be used to implement specified plastic carryout bag recycling, cleanup, and waste reduction programs; 5) delete existing law which prohibits local governments from imposing a plastic carryout bag fee on stores; and 6) remove the sunset clause in existing law related to the at-store recycling program. The bill was placed on the Assembly Appropriations Committee's Suspense File on April 30, 2008.

As reported in the April 21, 2008 Sacramento Update, an agreement was reached in the Assembly Natural Resources Committee on April 15, 2008 to merge language from **County-sponsored AB 2829 (Davis)** into AB 2058, and add Assembly members Davis and Brownley as joint authors of AB 2058 with Assembly Member Levine. AB 2829 would have required: 1) the printing of a second environmental awareness statement on non-biodegradable plastic carryout bags; 2) the removal of the prohibition on local governments' authority to impose fees for use of plastic carryout bags; and 3) the implementation of a statewide fee on plastic carryout bags. Our Sacramento advocates indicated that the County would co-sponsor AB 2058 once the County-sponsored language from AB 2829 is included in AB 2058. **Since most of the County-sponsored language has been included in AB 2058, we will become co-sponsors of the bill** along with the joint authors and Californians Against Waste.

All of the authors and sponsors recognize that this bill is a work in progress with many more issues to be addressed before a final bill is crafted. The amended bill includes several provisions that were not included in the Board of Supervisors actions leading to County-sponsorship of AB 2829. These include: 1) a per bag fee on paper bags; 2) allowing stores to reach the benchmark either individually, as a chain, or on a statewide basis; and 3) permitting stores to retain all fees derived from the sale of plastic and paper bags and only requiring stores to consult with local governments on how the funds would be spent. In addition, AB 2058 does not include County-sponsored language requiring the printing of a second environmental awareness statement on non-biodegradable plastic carryout bags.

Our Sacramento advocates will continue to work with the joint authors and co-sponsors of AB 2058 to ensure that as much of the County-sponsored language as possible is included in the final bill unless it would jeopardize the bill's passage. Our advocates

also will work vigorously to ensure that fees raised on bags will be returned to local governments on a per capita basis since local governments are responsible for meeting the Zero Trash TMDLs, and the plastic bag use reduction benchmark provisions are consistent with Board policy. A press conference on AB 2058 is tentatively scheduled for Friday May 16, 2008 in the Los Angeles area.

Status of County-Advocacy Legislation

County-opposed SB 1060 (Ridley-Thomas), which would terminate the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission and create a new State-controlled agency to assume control and management of Exposition Park, including the Los Angeles memorial Coliseum and Sports Arena, was placed on the Senate Appropriations Suspense File on May 5, 2008.

Master Bill List

A roster containing the status of all bills with a County advocacy position is attached.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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California Contract Cities Association
Independent Cities Association
League of California Cities
City Managers Associations
Buddy Program Participants

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES - CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE
STATUS OF BILLS OF INTEREST TO THE COUNTY
2007-08 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

These are bills we have pursued in Sacramento pursuant to Board actions or as reported in bill policy memoranda.

BILL	AUTHOR	POSITION	SUBJECT	STATUS
AB 13	Brownley, Leno	Oppose (State Update: 7/6/07)	Would require hospitals to adopt a plan or procedure for determining the staffing of professional and technical classifications. The failure to maintain, review annually, or to comply with a plan or procedure would be deemed by the California Department of Health Services to constitute staffing that has the potential to harm patients.	Senate Inactive File
AB 20	Eng	Support (State Update: 1/14/08)	Would authorize the Attorney General to contract with a nonprofit human relations organization to develop an approach for preventing and responding to intergroup tensions and conflicts within the State.	Died in Assembly
AB 29	Hancock	Support if Amended (State Update: 4/20/07)	Would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to use funds allocated from Proposition 1C to make infrastructure grants for construction or acquisition of capital assets to qualifying local jurisdictions. This bill addresses: 1) the legislative conditions and criteria for receiving funds from the Regional Planning, Housing, and Infill Incentive Account; 2) project qualification requirements; 3) application review; and 4) the time-limit to complete projects for the $850 million set aside in Proposition 1C for infill development related activities.	Died in Assembly
AB 49	Arambula	Support (State Update: 4/20/07)	Would add the extreme cold temperatures that occurred during the month of January 2007, to the list of natural disasters eligible for full State reimbursement of local agency costs under the Natural Disaster Assistance Act.	Died in Assembly

BILL	AUTHOR	POSITION	SUBJECT	STATUS
AB 70	Jones	No Position	NOW: Was recently amended to narrow the circumstances which would subject local governments to joint liability with the State with respect to failed flood control projects.	Chapter 367 of 2007
		Oppose (State Update: 4/20/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Still did the same but was limited to apply only to flood control projects within the Sacramento and San Joaquin watersheds.	
		Oppose (State Update: 4/11/07)	INITIALLY: Would have subjected a local public entity to joint liability and the State's right of compensation to the extent that the local public entity increased the amount of property damage sustained in a flood by approving new development in a previously undeveloped area, defined as open space land or land devoted to agricultural use.	
AB 81	Torrico	Oppose (State Update: 9/7/07)	NOW: Was recently amended to change the time to safely surrender a newborn from 21 days of age to 7 days.	Vetoed
		Oppose (State Update: 7/17/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Changed the time to safely surrender a newborn from 30 days to up to 21 days and to require the California Department of Social Services to report the effect of the bill to the legislature by January 1, 2011.	
		Oppose (State Update: 6/6/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Still did the same but was amended to delete the $5 million appropriation to conduct a statewide campaign to publicize the existence of safe surrender sites.	
		Oppose Unless Amended to delete language that increases the safe surrender time frame from 72 hours to 30 days (State Update: 3/6/07)	INITIALLY: Would have: 1) extended the timeframe to safely surrender a newborn from 72-hours to 30 days; 2) allowed cities to designate fire departments as safe surrender sites as long as they have consulted with county boards of supervisors and child welfare agencies; and 3) provided $5 million to the California Department of Social Services to conduct a statewide awareness campaign to publicize the safe surrender program and establish a toll-free telephone number to provide information regarding safe surrender sites.	

BILL	AUTHOR	POSITION	SUBJECT	STATUS
AB 97	Mendoza	Support (State Update: 4/17/07)	Would limit the use of trans fat by retail food facilities. It would require every food facility except a public school cafeteria to maintain on their premises the labeling information for any food or additive used that includes any fat, oil, or shortening. Effective January 1, 2010, it would prohibit the storage, distribution, serving, or use of any oil, shortening or margarine that contains artificial trans fat, except for the deep frying of yeast dough and cake batter. Beginning January 1, 2011, the use of artificial trans fat for deep frying yeast dough and cake batter also would be prohibited. These restrictions would not apply to food in public school cafeterias or sold in a manufacturer's original, sealed package. This bill would not prohibit a local governing body from adopting a local ordinance that is more stringent than these requirements. This is a two-year bill.	Senate Floor
AB 98	Niello	Support (State Update: 4/20/07)	Would require the State to pay 50 percent of the wage subsidies for CalWORKs participants engaged in subsidized private or public sector employment, subject to the following restrictions: the State's share of a wage subsidy would not exceed 50 percent of the Maximum Aid Payment for the assistance unit which includes the adult receiving the wage subsidy; and State participation would be limited to county programs that provide a maximum of six months of wage subsidies for each participant.	Chapter 589 of 2007
AB 119	Price	Support (State Update: 3/1/07)	Would require the State to pay for expenses incurred during 2007, for elections proclaimed by the Governor to fill a vacancy in the office of State Senator or member of the Assembly or to fill a vacancy in the office of the United States Senate or Representative in Congress. If an election proclaimed by the Governor is consolidated with a local election, the State would pay only the additional expenses directly related to the election proclaimed by the Governor. Urgency measure.	Chapter 487 of 2007
AB 166	Bass	Oppose (State Update: 3/21/07)	Would add provisions to the Labor Code that would expand the presumption of job-related injury for public safety employees to include contracting methicillin resistant staphylococcus aureus (MRSA) skin infections.	Died in Assembly

BILL	AUTHOR	POSITION	SUBJECT	STATUS
AB 184	Dymally	No Position	NOW: Would require reimbursement rates for office visits billed for comprehensive clinical family planning services by Family PACT waiver providers and for office visits billed by family planning services by Medi-Cal providers at a weighted augmentation equal to the weighted average of at least 80 percent of the federal Medicare program rate.	Senate Desk
	Bass	Support (State Update: 4/20/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have appropriated $3 million from the State General Fund to provide Independent Living Program (ILP) services to qualified former foster youth who are: placed with a non-related legal guardian if the child is receiving permanent placement services; placed as wards with a non-related legal guardian who receives AFDC-FC benefits and case management services; or adopted at 14 years of age or older.	
AB 190	Bass	No Position	NOW: Was amended to allow veterans displaying special license plates to park free-of-charge in metered parking spaces.	Senate Transportation and Housing
		Support (State Update: 3/23/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have established a new child welfare budget methodology to implement the caseload relief recommendations of the SB 2030 Child Welfare Workload Study. Also would have required counties to develop a plan, in consultation with parents of children receiving child welfare services, consumers, child advocacy organizations and social worker organizations, for the use of additional funds to provide social workers with additional time or support to enhance casework outcomes for children and families.	
AB 213	Fuentes	Oppose (State Update: 7/31/07)	Would eliminate the employer's right to object to the venue for the filing of an application for adjudication of claims with the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board. Such a change would require the County, as an employer, to incur substantial costs and loss of productivity associated with having to attend a hearing in locations convenient only to the applicant's attorney and not convenient for the County or potentially the injured employee. Urgency measure.	Assembly Insurance
AB 223	Runner	County-sponsored	Would allow those serving in the military, who are called to active duty in the United States on short notice, to be able to cast an absentee/provisional/or faxed ballot allowing those voters to be made a part of the official canvass.	Chapter 359 of 2007

BILL	AUTHOR	POSITION	SUBJECT	STATUS
AB 298	Maze	Support (State Update: 4/27/07)	Would facilitate permanency for children placed under legal guardianship with a relative caregiver by: 1) specifying that a relative caregiver's preference for legal guardianship over adoption may not constitute a basis for removing the child from relative caretaker for an adoptive placement; 2) making placement with a relative caregiver as the legal guardian the second option in the order of preference for courts considering child placement; and 3) requiring courts, prior to termination of a legal guardianship, to order the child welfare agency to evaluate whether the child can safely remain or be returned to the guardian's home and if appropriate, offer reunification or family maintenance services to maintain the legal guardianship.	Chapter 565 of 2007
AB 308	Galgiani	No Position	NOW: Would increase, to an amount not to exceed $2 billion, the annual Medical Providers Interim Payment Fund.	Senate Health
		Support (State Update: 4/13/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have required the State Department of Mental Health, in consultation with the State Department of Health Care Services, to adopt regulations to provide prompt reimbursement to counties for the provision of services provided under the Federally-mandated Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) Program.	
AB 335	De Leon	Support (State Update: 9/11/07)	NOW: Still does the same and was recently amended to require counties to advise domestic violence victims who submit a sworn statement of the availability of domestic violence counseling and services.	Chapter 726 of 2007
		Support (State Update: 3/30/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have allowed victims of domestic violence requesting CalWORKs Homeless Assistance to provide a sworn statement in lieu of third-party documentation to verify that homelessness is directly related to domestic violence.	

BILL	AUTHOR	POSITION	SUBJECT	STATUS
AB 338	Coto	No Position	NOW: Was recently amended to keep the existing limit of 104 payments per claim and removes the previously proposed formula to extend the claim period based upon delays by the employer.	Chapter 595 of 2007
		Oppose (State Update: 7/31/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Still did the same but was recently amended to remove provisions related to temporary disability benefits for incarcerated workers.	
		Oppose (State Update: 7/6/07)	INITIALLY: Would have enhanced temporary disability benefits for sworn and non-sworn government employees. Under current law, temporary disability payments are limited to 104 weekly payments over a two-year period. In addition, certain safety officers are eligible to take up to one-year leave of absence without loss of pay subsequent to a job-related injury.	
AB 340	Hancock	Support (State Update: 3/23/07)	Would establish the Unified Resources Families Assessment Pilot Project in five volunteer counties selected by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS). The pilot project would merge multiple, duplicative processes for licensing and approving relatives, foster families and adoptive parents who care for abused and neglected children.	Chapter 464 of 2007
AB 419	Lieber	No Position	NOW: Was recently amended to require an employee to be a full time regular employee to qualify for enhanced time off with pay after an injury.	Senate Appropriations Suspense File
		Oppose (State Update: 5/3/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have authorized additional safety employees to receive up to a one year leave of absence with full pay for job related injuries under Labor Code Section 4850.	
AB 503	Hernandez	No Position	NOW: Was recently amended to make the issue a subject of study.	Senate Desk
		Oppose (State Update: 4/20/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have required public agencies to provide an eight hour written notice to employees prior to working overtime.	
AB 564	Brownley	County-sponsored	Would authorize the Los Angeles County Flood Control District to implement storm water fees, upon voter approval and/or consistent with the requirements of Proposition 218, to fund clean water programs.	Senate Floor
AB 596	Dymally	Oppose (State Update: 3/21/07)	Would amend the provisions of the 1937 County Retirement Law to classify physicians working in a county jail or county mental health facility, in Alameda or Los Angeles Counties, as safety members without the need for county board of supervisors' action.	Died in Assembly

BILL	AUTHOR	POSITION	SUBJECT	STATUS
AB 644	Dymally	Oppose (State Update: 4/20/07)	NOW: Was amended to place limits on a physician conducting an evaluation of the treatment of services requested for a client injured during work related activities by requiring the reviewing physician to hold an identical type of license to that of the prescribing doctor.	Died in Assembly
		Oppose (State Update: 3/21/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have amended the Labor Code to require that physicians performing utilization review of the medical treatment on a workers' compensation case have an "intimate knowledge" of the issues presented for review. Further, it would have required the reviewing physician to look at the treatment requested by the treating physician and not the specialty of practice.	
AB 671	Beall	No Position	NOW: Was amended to expand Medi-Cal eligibility to include individuals who are frequent users of health services, which the bill would define to mean individuals who have, in the past 12 months, undergone at least 8 emergency department visits, 1 hospital admission, and 5 inpatient days of care.	Senate Health
		Support (State Update: 5/4/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have required the State Personnel Board to establish an Emancipated Foster Youth Program to provide state employment opportunities for qualified foster youth or former foster youth.	
AB 713	Maze, Bass	County-sponsored	Would cite legislative intent to provide enhanced services and financial support to assist youth between the ages of 18 and 21 years to successfully emancipate from foster care. This is a two-year bill.	Died in Assembly
AB 714	Maze, Bass	County-sponsored	Would allow disclosure of birth family records for previously adopted children who return to foster care.	Chapter 108 of 2007
AB 739	Laird	Oppose unless amended to restrict the monitoring required under a stormwater permit to the effectiveness monitoring plan in the bill (State Update 6/29/07)	Would establish criteria by which the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and the Department of Water Resources (DWR) awards grants for stormwater management projects funded by a portion of the proceeds of Proposition 1E flood bonds and Proposition 84 resources bonds approved by the voters at the November 2006 election.	Chapter 610 of 2007
AB 752	Dymally	Support (State Update: 4/27/07)	Would establish a mechanism to distribute stabilization funds among the public hospitals in years three through five of the Hospital Financing Waiver.	Chapter 544 of 2007

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AB 800	Lieu, Brownley, and Krekorian	County-sponsored	Would amend the Water Code to clarify the requirement that the local public health officer be immediately notified in the event of a sewage spill.	Chapter 371 of 2007
AB 820	Karnette	Support (Board Action: 5/22/07)	Would prohibit, starting January 1, 2009, all State facilities from selling, possessing or distributing expanded polystyrene (EPS) food containers, with the following conditions: 1) applies to campus facilities on the University of California only if the UC Regents approve the ban; and 2) applies to facilities of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and the Department of Mental Health, unless those departments' respective directors determine use of expanded polystyrene food containers is the only alternative that would not present a danger to person in their facilities.	Died in Assembly
AB 822	Levine	No Position	NOW: Was recently amended to address solid waste for multifamily dwellings.	Senate Environmental Quality
		Support (State Update: 6/11/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have required the State Department of Forestry and Fire Protection in consultation with the California Urban Forestry Council, to award the $90 million from Proposition 84 for grants to public and non-profit organizations for urban greening. The State Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, in consultation with the California Urban Forestry Council, would have overseen urban greening planning, set priorities and policy direction, and provided technical assistance, program evaluation and funding.	
AB 832	Bass	No Position	NOW: Was recently amended to address a financial assistance program to be administered by the California Film Commission for the production of qualified motion pictures and commercials.	Died in Assembly
		Support (State Update: 6/11/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have specified the purposes for expending $90 million in Proposition 84 funds for an urban greening program. Projects that addressed workforce infrastructure needs within low-income communities and municipal infrastructure improvements would have been eligible. Priority would have been given to projects that address workforce infrastructure needs in low-income communities and collaborative proposals that result in energy and water savings.	

BILL	AUTHOR	POSITION	SUBJECT	STATUS
AB 845	Bass	Support (State Update: 4/27/07)	Would appropriate $10.525 million in FY 2006-07 to fully fund the Transitional Housing Program Plus (THP-Plus) in FY 2006-07, which would provide services for approximately 500 more former foster youth statewide. The Human Services Budget Trailer Bill, SB 84 which was signed by the Governor on August 24, 2007, appropriates $35.7 million for THP-Plus of which $10.525 million may be used to cover costs incurred in FY 2006-07.	Died in Senate
AB 860	Salas	Support (State Update: 3/20/08)	Would extend the sunset date from January 1, 2010 to January 1, 2018 for surcharges on vehicle registration fees imposed at county option to fund local vehicle theft prevention programs. Existing law imposes, as a county option, an additional fee of one dollar per vehicle and an additional fee of two dollars on all commercial motor vehicles to fund local programs relating to vehicle theft crimes. The Los Angeles County Sheriff uses these funds to manage the Taskforce for Regional Auto theft Prevention (TRAP) program.	Senate Transportation and Housing
AB 904	Feuer	Support (Board Action: 6/5/07)	Would phase out the use of food packaging that cannot be recycled or composted in communities where it is distributed.	Senate Environmental Quality
AB 938	Calderon	Support if Amended to include flood control districts as eligible entities to convene watershed water quality committees and impose user-based or regulatory fees for stormwater facilities (State Update: 2/12/08)	Would authorize counties (and cities if a county does not act) to convene watershed water quality committees composed of representatives from the regional water quality control board (RWQCB), resources agencies, water agencies, sanitation districts, environmental groups, landowners, business, industry, and agricultural interests to develop and facilitate cooperation in achieving local water quality solutions. The committee would be required to prepare work plans that lead to the development of watershed water quality management plans. Each RWQCB will have 60 days to review and act on these work plans. If an RWQCB approves a work plan, the committee has three years to prepare a watershed water quality management plan for submission to the RWQCB.	Senate Environmental Quality
AB 1010	Hernandez	Support (State Update: 6/15/07)	Would extend the sunset date of the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority from July 1, 2010 to July 1, 2017. AB 1010 would also require: 1) the Authority to provide quarterly updates on its website on the management and remediation plan beginning on April 1, 2008; 2) the Authority to submit status reports every six months beginning March 31, 2008 on plan activities to the State Water Resources Control Board (WRCB) and the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board; and 3) the WRCB, in consultation with the regional board, to provide a report on the Authority's progress.	Chapter 404 of 2007

BILL	AUTHOR	POSITION	SUBJECT	STATUS
AB 1053	Nuñez	No Position	NOW: Was recently amended to delete all appropriations and add to the definition of "eligible applicant" a city, county, city and county, public housing authority, or redevelopment agency that applies for funding jointly with an owners' association for a business or property improvement district that includes a qualifying infill area. Appropriations for Proposition 1C were included in the Housing Trailer Bill (SB 86).	Chapter 692 of 2007
		Support and Amend (State Update: 7/9/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Was amended to expand the definition of a qualifying infill project to include census-designated places with a population density of at least 2,500 residents per square mile. In addition, a dollar for dollar grant match provision was eliminated in favor or a requirement that the relevant legislative body make a finding that the funds are necessary for the economic viability and feasibility of the project and the improvements are of general community benefit.	
		Oppose Unless Amended (State Update: 6/28/07)	INITIALLY: Would have provided for the allocation of $850 million Affordable Housing Initiative Fund contained in the Housing and Emergency Shelter Trust Fund Act of 2006 (Proposition 1C). However, the $450 million in funding to be transferred to HCD would have been available to qualifying cities and counties and would have narrowly limited a "qualifying infill project" to those located within an incorporated city. Thus, the bill would have precluded an unincorporated community from qualifying for the competitive grant program.	
AB 1062	Ma	No Position	NOW: Was recently amended to require the California General Services Department to consult with the San Francisco Unified School Districts and other local agencies to develop uniform building standards.	Senate Environmental Quality
		County-sponsored	PREVIOUSLY: Would have enhanced the CalWORKs Homeless and Housing Assistance Program by creating a time-limited rental subsidy for certain qualified CalWORKs families.	

BILL	AUTHOR	POSITION	SUBJECT	STATUS
AB 1073	Nava	No Position	NOW: Was recently amended to expand the limit on post surgical and rehabilitative services to persons injured in the course of his or her employment and would focus this expansion to post-surgical rehabilitative services.	Chapter 621 of 2007
		Oppose (State Update: 3/21/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have amended the Labor Code to expand the number of chiropractic, occupational therapy and physical therapy treatment sessions available to workers for industrial injuries. It would also have limited the reviews of treatment utilization to physicians licensed in California.	
AB 1114	Eng	Support (State Update: 6/15/07)	Would create the San Gabriel Basin Restoration Fund in the State Treasury. Upon appropriation to the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA), funding is deposited for allocation to the San Gabriel Basin Water Quality Authority for projects that address groundwater contamination in the basin. The Secretary for CalEPA would serve as the Fund custodian and funds allocated to the Authority would be available without regard to fiscal years for projects located within the boundaries of the Authority.	Died in Assembly
AB 1207	Smyth	No Position	NOW: Was amended to delete most of the bill's provisions and now requires the CIWMB, in consultation with the State Water Resources Control Board, to develop regulations for the land application of biosolids by July 1, 2010.	Died in Assembly
		Oppose (Board Action: 4/10/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have: 1) required the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) to develop regulations for the land application of biosolids by July 1, 2009; 2) required the standards to be uniform statewide; 3) prohibited a local governmental entity from enacting any ordinance or regulation that is contrary or inconsistent to the CIWMB's regulations on the land application of biosolids; and 4) voided any existing or future local ordinance or regulation that contradicts the CIWMB's regulations regarding the composting and disposal of biosolids.	

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AB 1231	Garcia	Support if Amended (State Update: 4/20/07)	Would require the Department of Housing and Community Development to use funds allocated from Proposition 1C to make infrastructure grants for construction or acquisition of capital assets to qualifying local jurisdictions. This bill addresses: 1) the legislative conditions and criteria for receiving funds from the Regional Planning, Housing, and Infill Incentive Account; 2) project qualification requirements; 3) application review; and 4) the time-limit to complete projects for the $850 million set aside in Proposition 1C for infill development related activities.	Died in Assembly
AB 1233	Galgiani	Support (State Update: 4/24/07)	Would require the State Librarian to establish and maintain an online homework assistance program through State Public Libraries. It would also mandate that the online homework assistance program be offered free of charge to all students in the State, and subject to appropriation of funds in the Budget Act, would grant $3 million annually to the State library for program implementation.	Died in Assembly
AB 1252	Caballero	No Position	Now: Was amended to declare Legislative intent to make $400 million available, upon appropriation, to the State Department of Parks and Recreation to award competitive grants to the most park needy communities statewide.	Senate Inactive File
		Support (State Update: 6/11/07)	Previously: Would have: 1) allocated $200 million under Proposition 1C for housing-related parks in urban, suburban, and rural areas; 2) established the Housing-Related Park Program within the State Department of Housing and Community Development and; 3) required the agency, in conjunction with the State Department of Parks and Recreation, to provide grants for the acquisition, development, or rehabilitation of community or neighborhood parks.	
AB 1275	De Saulnier	Support (State Update: 6/25/07)	Would authorize a county board of supervisors to increase the fees for certified copies of birth, marriage, and death certificates by up to $4, upon making findings supporting the need for governmental coordination of multiple agencies dealing with domestic violence. This is a two-year bill.	Senate Local Government
AB 1303	Smyth	Support (State Update: 6/11/07)	Would create a grant program to allocate $90 million under Proposition 84 for urban greening in neighborhoods most in need of trees and foliage. A higher priority would be assigned to an application meeting specified criteria including projects using existing public lands and serving a community with the greatest need for urban greening.	Died in Assembly

BILL	AUTHOR	POSITION	SUBJECT	STATUS
AB 1315	Ruskin	Support (State Update: 6/11/07)	Would allocate $200 million in Proposition 1C funds for infill incentive park grants and specify priority be given to projects that focus park creation and development around transportation hubs and train stations.	Died in Assembly
AB 1324	De La Torre	Support (State Update: 9/7/07)	Would clarify that a health maintenance organization or health insurer that authorizes treatment by a provider is prohibited from rescinding or modifying this authorization after the provider renders treatment for any reason, including subsequent cancellation or modification of the patient's contract, or upon determination that the patient's eligibility was not assessed accurately.	Chapter 702 of 2007
AB 1331	Evans	Support (State Update: 9/17/07)	Would require counties to screen each foster youth between the age of 16 years and 6 months and 17 years and 6 months for eligibility to Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits and to submit SSI applications on behalf of those foster youth determined to be potentially eligible to the Social Security Administration.	Chapter 465 of 2007
AB 1380	Ruskin	Support (State Update: 6/11/07)	Would allocate $400 million for local and regional parks. Priority would be given for: 1) programs serving at-risk youth; 2) parks that connect development around transportation; 3) parks that link infill development and schools; and 4) regional trail projects that join urban areas to open-space parks and trails.	Died in Assembly
AB 1382	Leno	Support (State Update: 5/10/07)	Would eliminate the statutory requirement that adult household members must be fingerprinted through the Statewide Fingerprint Imaging System as a condition of eligibility for Food Stamp Only benefits. This bill would retain the current statutory requirement that adult household members applying for CalWORKs or General Relief with food stamps be fingerprinted as a condition of eligibility.	Vetoed
AB 1391	Brownley	No Position	NOW: Still addresses water quality issues but the County-sponsored provisions were transferred to AB 800 (Lieu).	Senate Environmental Quality
		County-sponsored	PREVIOUSLY: Would have: 1) amended the Water Code to include a requirement that the local public health officer be immediately notified in the event of a sewage spill; 2) permitted civil fines to be imposed on persons who do not immediately notify the local public health officer when a sewage spill occurs; and 3) required that at least one of the Water Board's seven membership categories include someone with a public health background.	

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AB 1453	Soto	Support (State Update: 6/15/07)	Would require the State Department of Social Services to work with public and private stakeholders to develop a plan to transform group homes for foster youth and children with serious emotional disorders into a residentially based service system.	Chapter 466 of 2007
AB 1470	Huffman	Support (Board Action: 6/19/07)	Would enact the Solar Water Heating and Efficiency Act of 2007, which would establish a new gas utility surcharge to fund a 10-year, $250 million program to subsidize the installation of solar hot water heaters to offset the need for natural gas. The bill would exempt customers participating in the California Alternate Rates for Energy or Family Electric Rate Assistance programs from the surcharge.	Chapter 536 of 2007
AB 1481	De La Torre, Krekorian	Support (State Update: 9/7/07)	NOW: Still does the same but was amended to further clarify the requirements for the general permit.	Chapter 535 of 2007
		Support and Amend to clarify that the general permit would be subject to changes only when regulatory or statutory changes affecting the general permit occur at the State level or if WRCB determines recycled water poses a threat to water quality or beneficial uses. (State Update: 7/24/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Still did the same but was amended to fulfill the County's request to clarify that the general permit would apply to any irrigation uses for which the State Department of Public Health has or will set recycling criteria. However, the amendment also added new language that the general permit shall include language that provides for the modification of the terms and conditions of the general permit if a regulatory or statutory change occurs that affects the application of the general permit or if there is substantial evidence that the use of the recycled water may pose a threat to water quality or beneficial uses.	
		Support and Amend to clarify that the general discharge permit would apply to any irrigation uses for which the State Department of Public Health has or will set recycling criteria (State Update: 4/20/07)	INITIALLY: Would have required the State Water Resources Control Board (WRCB), on or before July 31, 2009, to establish general discharge permits for landscape irrigation projects utilizing recycled water for which the State Department of Public Health has set recycling criteria, and would authorize the WRCB to establish a reasonable schedule of fees to reimburse the WRCB for the costs it incurs in adopting and administering the general permit. The bill would have also required the WRCB to designate an ombudsperson to coordinate and facilitate communication on recycled water, and on the issuance of specified water reclamation requirements, and to assist in the implementation of the general permit program established by the bill.	

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AB 1491	Jones	Support (State Update: 2/22/08)	Would extend the deadlines for the transfer of responsibility for court facilities from the counties to the State Judicial Council through December 31, 2009. For facilities that transfer after September 30, 2008, the transferring county would be required to pay the normal County Facility Payment to the State plus a penalty linked to an annual inflation index on an ongoing basis. On or after April 1, 2009, the penalty would increase. Urgency measure.	Chapter 9 of 2008
AB 1536	Smyth	Support (State Update: 6/11/07)	Would require the State Department of Parks and Recreation to be the primary agency authorized to administer funds allocated from Proposition 1C for housing-related parks grants in urban, suburban, and rural areas.	Died in Assembly
AB 1581	Fuller	Oppose unless amended to limit the detection of bicycles to intersections along designated bike routes and reimburse local agencies for all costs associated with the bill's requirements (State Update: 6/22/07)	Would: 1) define a traffic-actuated signal as an "official traffic control devise that displays one or more of its indications in response to the presence of traffic detected by mechanical, visual, electrical, or other means"; 2) require upon the first placement or replacement of a traffic-actuated signal, (to the extent feasible and in conformance with professional engineering practices) to detect lawful bicycle or motorcycle traffic on the roadway; 3) provide that cities and counties shall only comply with this requirement once Caltrans has established uniform standards, specifications, and guidelines for the detection of bicycles by traffic-actuated signals and related signal timing; and 4) sunset the bill's provisions on January 1, 2018.	Chapter 337 of 2007
AB 1602	Nuñez	Support (State Update: 6/11/07)	Would establish the Sustainable Communities and Urban Greening Grant Program in the State Resources Agency and allocate $90 million in Proposition 84 funds for urban greening projects via grants to local public agencies and non-profit organizations for the purpose of improving the sustainability and livability of communities through the development of green infrastructure that provides multiple benefits, including improved air and water quality, energy and water conservation, climate change mitigation, recreational, and other community benefits.	Senate Environmental Quality
AB 1903	Hernandez	County-sponsored	Would provide liability protection for the Department of Public Works in their lined and unlined channels and adjacent spreading grounds during flood control and water conservation operations. Urgency measure.	Senate Desk

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AB 1917	Dymally	Oppose (State Update: 3/20/08)	Would authorize Los Angeles County, by a resolution adopted by a majority vote of the Board of Supervisors, to classify physicians working in a County jail or locked County mental health facility as safety members for purposes of retirement. It also provides for the calculation of the retirement allowance of a member with credit for time during which he or she was not a safety member and use of the benefit formula applicable to existing safety members in Los Angeles County.	Assembly Floor
AB 2231	Hayashi	Support if Amended to add Los Angeles County as an eligible county (State Update: 4/25/08)	Would extend the sunset date from January 1, 2010 to January 1, 2015 permitting the boards of supervisors of the counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, and Solana Counties to increase fees by up to $2 for certified copies of certain vital records to fund local domestic violence programs.	Assembly Floor
AB 2262	Torrico	Oppose (State Update: 3/14/08)	Would: 1) raise the age at which a minor child can be surrendered from 72 hours old or younger, to 7 days; 2) allow a local fire agency to designate safe surrender sites with the approval of the local governing body of the agency; 3) specify that persons at safe surrender sites have no liability prior to taking physical custody of a child; and 4) appropriate $5 million to the California Department of Social Services to conduct a Statewide awareness campaign to publicize the safe surrender program and establish a toll-free telephone number to provide information regarding safe surrender sites.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
AB 2270	Laird, Feuer	Support (State Update: 4/15/08)	Would: 1) require the State Department of Water Resources (DWR) to update the targets for utilizing recycled water Statewide every five years; 2) reduce the frequency of reporting recycled water use by agencies from quarterly to annually; and 3) authorize any local agency that maintains a community sewer system to take action to control residential salinity introduced into the waste water system, including discharge from water softeners, to protect the water quality of the State, if DWR or a regional water quality control board makes a finding that the control of residential salinity will contribute to achievement of water quality objectives.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 2527	Berg	Support (State Update: 4/15/08)	Would clarify provisions that govern local public agency participation in the Medi-Cal Targeted Case Management and Medi-Cal Administrative Activities billing options.	Assembly Floor
AB 2579	Niello	Support (State Update: 4/10/08)	Would amend the Revenue and Taxation Code to treat married couples the same as unmarried co-owners of a residence for purposes of seeking property tax relief and eliminate the requirement that a new owner notify the assessor in writing of the completion of new construction.	Assembly Appropriations

BILL	AUTHOR	POSITION	SUBJECT	STATUS
AB 2588	Calderon	Support (State Update: 4/15/08)	Would reaffirm the Legislature's intent that local governments may adopt requirements for the public safety regulating any type of vending from vehicles upon any street, thus reconciling any arguable conflict between the California Vehicle Code and California Health and Safety Code as to the scope and extend of local authority to regulate the time periods that mobile vendors can operate at a single location.	Assembly Floor
AB 2607	Davis	County co-sponsored	Would authorize a three-year pilot program in which filers of Statements of Economic Interest (Form 700) would be permitted, on a voluntary basis, to file Form 700 electronically using a safe and secure system.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 2640	Huffman	Oppose (State Update: 3/14/08)	Would make all green waste deposited in a landfill, including that used as Alternative Daily Cover (ADC), subject to the State's waste disposal fee of $1.40 per ton, effective January 1, 2009. The bill would require the California Integrated Waste Management Board to develop and implement programs that ensure that the amount of green waste currently deposited in landfills in the State annually is 50 percent or less of the amount of green waste disposed or otherwise deposited in landfills during the 2008 calendar year.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 2695	Niello	Support (State Update: 4/21/08)	Would provide solid waste local enforcement agencies with the authority to inspect illegal dumping activities, establish an illegal dumping grant and loan program within the California Integrated Waste Management Board (CIWMB) and define the term illegal dumping and require the CIWMB to establish a model refuse hauler permitting system for local governments.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 2702	Nunez	Oppose (State Update: 4/24/08)	Would add standby emergency departments located in Los Angeles County to the list of eligible recipients of the physician portion of the Maddy Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Fund, which would establish the precedent of expanding funding to facilities that do not meet criteria to receive 9-1-1 ambulances, further eroding the already underfunded and fragile EMS system.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 2715	Levine	Support (Board Action: 4/1/08)	Would require an owner or operator of a for-profit hospital to maintain the same level of care provided in the preceding calendar year, and prohibit them from decreasing the total expenditures for a hospital by more than 10 percent from the prior year's expenditures without approval of the California Department of Public Health. Urgency measure.	Assembly Health

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AB 2726	Leno	Support (State Update: 4/10/08)	Would extend the sunset date of the Healthy Food Purchase Pilot Program from January 1, 2011 to January 1, 2012 and amend State law to expand funding sources for the pilot.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 2762	Eng	Support (State Update: 5/2/08)	Would establish a diversity education pilot project with each school selected to participate in the pilot program receiving a one-time grant of $25,000 to improve and implement crisis intervention plans to minimize the impact of inter-group violence on the educational process, establish community partnership programs to combat harassment and prejudice, and adopt and implement written anti-harassment and anti-hate policy that is in compliance with current law and is communicated to school personnel and students.	Assembly Appropriations
AB 2829	Davis	County-sponsored	Would require: 1) the printing of a second environmental awareness statement on non-biodegradable plastic carryout bags; 2) the removal of the prohibition on local governments' authority to impose fees for use of plastic carryout bags; and 3) the implementation of a statewide fee on plastic carryout bags, directing the revenues raised by that charge to local governments, on a per capita basis, to fund litter prevention programs and source reduction efforts. NOTE: Although the bill failed to pass the Natural Resources Committee, an agreement was reached to include the County-sponsored provisions above in AB 2058 (Levine).	Failed Passage in Assembly Natural Resources
AJR 20	Feuer	Support (Board Action: 6/5/07)	Would urge the Citizen Stamp Advisory Committee's issuance of a commemorative postal stamp in honor of the late Mayor Tom Bradley.	Resolution Chapter 124 of 2007
SB 46	Perata	Support and Amend to: 1) remove for profit or nonprofit entities as eligible applicants; 2) use 50 percent of the Area Median Income for the income levels for the affordable units; and 3) require nongovernmental applicants to show support from the local government in which the real property is located (State Update: 5/18/07)	Would provide the statutory framework for the distribution of funds from the $850 million Regional Planning, Housing, and Infill Incentive Account contained in Proposition 1C, the Housing and Emergency Trust Fund Act of 2006, which was approved by the voters in November, 2006. The bill requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to administer a competitive program to provide capital outlay grants for infill housing development and for related infrastructure that is an integral part of the infill housing development. The bill addresses the: 1) legislative conditions and criteria for receiving funds from the Regional Planning, Housing, and Infill Incentive Account; 2) project qualification requirements; and 3) application review.	Assembly Appropriations

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SB 55	Florez	Oppose Unless Amended to exclude sewage sludge from a POTW that is transferred from the facility for further treatment and disposal by another POTW with a waste discharge requirement issued by the regional boards (State Update: 5/11/07)	Would require publicly owned treatment works (POTW) to submit certification to the regional water quality control board that any sewage sludge transferred from the facility for disposal or further processing meets regional board POTW requirements and standards for pollutants. The bill would require the POTW to submit the certification to any person or facility that accepts sewage sludge from that POTW for disposal or processing, and require the POTW to submit certification to haulers transporting the sewage sludge that it is nonhazardous, including whether the sewage belongs to a particular class, or contains other pathogens.	Died in Senate
SB 119	Cedillo	Support (State Update: 2/8/07)	Would increase the scope of benefits and reimbursement rates for Drug Medi-Cal to provide access to an appropriate continuum of care for youths from 12 to 20 years of age suffering from substance abuse disorders.	Assembly Appropriations Suspense File
SB 120	Padilla, Migden	Support (State Update: 4/17/07)	Would require that all chain restaurants in the State with 15 or more outlets provide nutrition information on their menus that includes for each menu item the total number of calories, grams of saturated fat, grams of trans fat, and milligrams of sodium. On a menu board, it would only require the total number of calories for each item.	Vetoed
SB 134	Cedillo	County-sponsored	Would lift the retirement cap for those public safety employees of the Sheriff's or the Fire Department in Los Angeles County hired prior to April 1997.	Chapter 290 of 2007
SB 137	Torlakson	No Position	NOW: Was amended to address the County's concerns to: 1) cap the County financial responsibility at a new benchmark level based on the rate set annually by the federal government at 300 percent Federal Poverty Level for a family of two; 2) provide 100 percent reimbursement to counties for administrative cost for children in families over the new benchmark level.	Vetoed
		Oppose (State Update: 6/25/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have increased the income eligibility cap for the California Children's Services program from $40,000 adjusted gross income, to 400 percent of the federal poverty level, which is $82,600 for a family of four. The bill provides no additional funding for this purpose.	

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SB 145	Corbett	Support (State Update: 5/1/07)	Would extend the deadline for transfer of responsibility for court facilities from the counties to the State Judicial Council from June 30, 2008 to December 31, 2008. Counties would be required to pay an additional inflationary cost factor on the County Facility Payment when transfer agreements are executed on or after January 1, 2008, and on or before June 30, 2008, unless significant progress toward completing a transfer agreement is achieved before January 1, 2008 as evidenced by submission of a proposed county facility payment. For transfers on or after July 1, 2008, the transferring county would be required to pay the State, on an annual basis, the greater of: 1) the average annual costs incurred over a base period, as adjusted by the local price deflator; or 2) actual county costs incurred during FY 2006-07. Urgency measure.	Senate Inactive File
SB 156	Simitian	Support and Amend (Board Action: 3/6/07)	Would enact the California Reading and Literacy Improvement and Public Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 2008 and would place it on the 2008 statewide primary ballot. If approved by the voters, it would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of $4 billion for library construction and renovation. The County is requesting that the bill be amended to: 1) include a deadline for awarding bond funds; 2) develop a streamlined and shorter application process; 3) consider per capita or geographical distribution as a factor in determining awards; 4) allow agencies up to one year to conduct an election if required to obtain matching funds through a local bond measure; and 5) require recipients to take immediate responsibility for project construction and demonstrate that funds are available to operate new facility.	Died in Senate
SB 184	Alquist, Correa	Support (State Update: 6/22/07)	Would revise the way a local entity may be reimbursed by the State for advance expenditures on a transportation project contained in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) by: 1) limiting the reimbursement to projects programmed in the current year of the STIP; 2) requiring the local or regional entity to request an allocation from the CTC within 12 months of its first expenditure of local funds on a qualified project; 3) requiring the CTC to approve the project for future allocation should there be insufficient funds in the State Highway Account to allocate to a project; and 4) prohibiting the CTC from establishing a timeframe limiting reimbursement to a local or regional agency.	Chapter 462 of 2007

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SB 201	Florez	Oppose unless amended to eliminate the provisions requiring the additional water quality testing and maintenance of water quality records by the growers (State Update: 6/22/07)	Would require the State Public Health Officer and the Department of Food and Agriculture to establish and administer a leafy green vegetable inspection program to increase food safety. It would: 1) require growers, handlers, and processors of leafy green vegetables to establish a system for dating and trace back in the event of product contamination and/or food borne illness outbreaks; 2) prohibit various practices, including using irrigation water that exceeds acceptable contamination levels; 3) provide that a violation of these provisions, or any regulation adopted by the State Department of Public Health (SDPH) is a civil penalty up to $10,000 per occurrence; and 4) provide that SDPH may impose a fine not exceeding $25,000 per occurrence;	Assembly Agriculture
SB 208	Runner	Support (State Update: 4/17/07)	Would prohibit the State from assessing or collecting licensing fees from any county for the operation of a State-licensed correctional treatment center. It also would prohibit the State from shifting the costs of this licensing fee exemption to other licensed health facilities.	Died in Senate
SB 220	Corbett	Support (Board Action: 10/9/07)	Would enhance the regulatory process administered by the California Department of Public Health governing water dispensed from water vending machines and the labeling requirements for bottled water.	Chapter 575 of 2007
SB 275	Cedillo	Oppose unless amended to no longer subject hospitals to criminal sanctions, and to limit the consent requirement to homeless patients. (State Update: 8/21/07)	Would prohibit hospitals from transporting patients to location other than the patient's residence without their explicit consent. Hospitals in violation of this requirement would be subject to administrative and civil penalties.	Vetoed

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SB 286	Lowenthal	No Position	NOW: Was amended to require transportation planning agencies, county transportation commissions or authorities, and congestion management agencies to adopt criteria that give priority to the sponsors of eligible projects that partner with a community conservation corps, with respect to Federal funds made available to the State for transportation enhancement projects.	Assembly Appropriations
	Lowenthal, Dutton	Support (State Update: 4/24/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have required that the first payments from the bond funds from Proposition 1B for local streets and roads be allocated by the State Controller not later than January 1, 2008. All funds would have been required to be encumbered within three years from the date of allocation and would have required unencumbered funds to be returned to the Controller for reallocation. Urgency measure.	
SB 292	Wiggins	Support (State Update: 5/2/08)	NOW: Was amended to bring California law into consistency with current Federal law to allow counties to place children served by the AB 3632 program in out-of-state group homes that are operated as for profit entities.	Assembly Human Services
		No Position	PREVIOUSLY: Was amended to address the Veterans' Home of California.	
		Support (State Update: 6/11/07)	INITIALLY: Would have stated Legislative intent to develop conditions and criteria for allocating $90 million in funds from Proposition 84 for urban greening. The bill would have required the Secretaries for Environmental Protection and Resources to establish a planning grant program for local and regional agencies to develop urban greening plans. Further, the bill would have created a program of grants, rebates, and loans for local and regional agencies that have an adopted urban greening plan.	
SB 297	Romero	County-sponsored	Would authorize counties to impose a local tax of not more than five percent on the sale of alcoholic beverages in order to continue to provide essential public services, including emergency and trauma care.	Died in Senate
SB 352	Padilla	Oppose (State Update: 3/21/07)	Would amend the Labor Code to eliminate current restrictions on chiropractic, occupational therapy and physical therapy visits by law enforcement employees recovering from work related injuries.	Died in Senate

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SB 375	Steinberg	Support (State Update: 3/28/08)	Would make numerous changes with respect to regional transportation and land use planning with the overall goal of reducing transportation sector greenhouse gas emissions in California. Key provisions require the larger regional transportation agencies, such as the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), to limit greenhouse gas emissions by developing more sophisticated transportation planning as part of their regional plans for creating a "sustainable communities strategy".	Assembly Appropriations
SB 474	Kuehl	Support (State Update: 8/29/07)	Would create the South Los Angeles Medical Services Preservation Fund of up to $100 million annually that would be provided to the County for the preservation of healthcare services to the South Los Angeles County population formerly served by MLK-Harbor Hospital. Also makes necessary modifications for years three through five of the Hospital Financing Waiver (SB 1100 Perata, Ducheny of 2005).	Chapter 518 of 2007
SB 579	Wiggins	County-sponsored	Would allow the Board of Supervisors to permit the reinstatement of firefighters over 60 years of age who retired after April 1, 2007 and repeal a provision requiring the County Fire Chief to retire by April 1, 2009. Urgency measure.	Senate Public Employment and Retirement
SB 680	Ridley-Thomas	Support (Board Action: 4/17/07)	Would appropriate funds to permanently establish the Special Needs Assistance Program to facilitate the inclusion of children with disabilities and other special needs in State-subsidized child care programs.	Died in Senate
SB 720	Kuehl	Support (State Update: 5/7/07)	Would facilitate the joint placement of foster youth teen parents with their children.	Chapter 475 of 2007
SB 726	Alquist	No Position	NOW: Was amended to apply only to claims filed in Santa Clara County.	Assembly Insurance
		Oppose (State Update: 7/18/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have retroactively enhanced the presumption that the acquisition of a blood borne infectious disease acquired during the period of employment as a safety officer was job related. The presumption was extended to a person following termination of service for a period of three calendar months for each full year of service, not to exceed 60 months.	

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SB 732	Steinberg	Support (State Update: 6/11/07)	Would enact provisions to develop and implement several competitive grant programs funded under Proposition 84 including programs for nature education facilities and museums, statewide water planning and design, and the new sustainable communities and climate change reduction program. Would create the Sustainable Communities Council.	Assembly Inactive File
SB 767	Ridley-Thomas	County-sponsored	Would provide protection for licensed health care professions who are working in conjunction with an opioid overdose prevention and treatment program from civil and criminal liability when, if acting with reasonable care, they prescribe, dispense or distribute an opioid antagonist. The bill is limited to seven participating counties, including Los Angeles County, and would sunset on January 1, 2011.	Chapter 477 of 2007
SB 776	Vincent	Support (State Update: 5/4/07)	Would allow county child welfare agencies to exchange criminal record clearances when a child in foster care moves with a relative or non-relative extended family caretaker from one county to another.	Chapter 580 of 2007
SB 856	Runner	County-sponsored	Would allow Los Angeles County to install customized street name signs that better portray the city/community in he unincorporated areas of the County.	Died in Senate
SB 893	Cox	Oppose (Board Action: 4/10/07)	Would shift all voter-approved ballot initiative Proposition 10 revenue away from all county First 5 Commissions and direct it to the Statewide California Children and Families Commission to distribute for the purpose of providing health care services to children.	Died in Senate
SB 936	Perata	Oppose (State Update: 5/3/07)	Would increase the disability benefits paid to employees injured during the course of employment. Payments to those injured after January 1, 2008, would be increased with additional benefit increases for those injured after January 1, 2009, and January 1, 2010.	Vetoed
SB 942	Migden	No Position	NOW: Was amended to remove the presumption of employer discrimination if an injured employee is not reinstated within five working days of a release by a treating physician.	Vetoed
		Oppose (State Update: 3/30/07)	PREVIOUSLY: Would have established a rebuttable presumption of employer discrimination if an employee, disabled by an employment related injury or illness, is not reinstated to his or her regular position within one day of release by the treating physician.	

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SB 959	Romero	County-sponsored	Would authorize a board of supervisors to permit the Sheriff and the Chief Probation Officer to mandate an electronic monitoring sentence, while also keeping the voluntary provision in place.	Chapter 252 of 2007
SB 966	Simitian	Support (State Update: 7/31/07)	Would require the Integrated Waste Management Board to identify and develop model programs for the safe disposal of pharmaceutical waste and to report to the Legislature by December 1, 2010 about the effectiveness and accessibility of the programs.	Chapter 542 of 2007
SB 990	Kuehl	Support (Board Action: 4/10/07)	Would require as a condition for any sale, lease, or sublease, or transfer of any land presently or formerly occupied by the Santa Susana Field Laboratory, also known as Rocketdyne, that the Director of Toxic Substances Control certify that the land has undergone complete remediation pursuant to specified protective standards. Further, it would authorize the Department of Toxic Substance Control to compel a responsible party or parties to take or pay for appropriate removal or remediation action necessary to protect public health and safety and the environment at the Susana Field Laboratory site in Ventura County.	Chapter 729 of 2007
SB 1001	Perata	Oppose (State Update: 4/13/07)	Would reduce the membership of regional water quality control boards from nine to seven at-large Governor-appointed members and completely restructure the composition of those boards, eliminating the members representing county and municipal government. The bill would specify that the seven appointees have water quality credentials.	Vetoed
SB 1002	Perata	Support (State Update: 9/19/07)	Would appropriate a total of $610.9 million in funding from Proposition 1E (The Disaster Preparedness and Flood Prevention Bond Act of 2006), Proposition 84 (The Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Act of 2006) and Proposition 50 (The Water Security, Clean Drinking Water, Coastal and Beach Protection Act of 2002) to the Department of Water Resources and the State Department of Public Health for a variety of water projects, particularly related to the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.	Vetoed
SB 1060	Ridley-Thomas	Oppose (Board Action: 4/8/08)	Would terminate the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Commission and create a new State-controlled agency to assume control and management of Exposition Park, including the Los Angeles memorial Coliseum and Sports Arena.	Senate Appropriations Suspense File

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SB 1132	Migden	Support (State Update: 4/24/08)	Would eliminate the requirement that former foster youth between 18 and 21 years of age complete an application or other paperwork as a condition of receiving ongoing Medi-Cal benefits. Under current law, former foster youth who received Medi-Cal benefits prior to their 18th birthday are eligible to Medi-Cal benefits until they reach the age of 21. As a condition of receiving ongoing benefits, former foster youth must complete a simplified Medi-Cal application. This bill would eliminate this requirement.	Senate Appropriations Suspense File
SB 1165	Kuehl	Oppose (State Update: 4/24/08)	Would revise the procedures for preparing and commenting on a draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR), negative declaration, or mitigated negative declaration, and clarify that the draft document must be prepared directly, or under contract to, the lead agency, and revise the procedures for preparing a subsequent or supplemental EIR under the California Environmental Quality Act.	Senate Appropriations
SB 1176	Perata	Oppose Unless Amended (State Update: 3/28/08)	Would increase the reporting requirements of the State Water Resources Control Board (WRCB), reduce the membership of regional water quality control boards from nine to seven at-large Governor-appointed members and eliminate members representing county and municipal government, and grant WRCB the ability to withdraw the programmatic authority of regional water boards that consistently fail to exercise adequate control over activities required to be regulated under applicable law.	Senate Appropriations
SB 1184	Kuehl	County-sponsored	Would require full CD4 AIDS test reporting, and will result in the reporting of additional HIV/AIDS cases which will be accepted by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for funding purposes while California's name-based HIV reporting system is being fully implemented. Urgency measure.	Assembly Health
SB 1222	Cedillo	Support (State Update: 3/20/08)	Would appropriate to the Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) from the State General Fund an amount equal to three dollars per veteran beginning in FY 2008-09. Funds would be distributed on a pro rata basis to each county that has established and maintained a county veteran service officer. In Los Angeles County, there are approximately 400,000 veterans.	Senate Appropriations

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SB 1236	Padilla	Support (State Update: 4/3/08)	Would extend for five years the January 1, 2009 sunset date established by County-supported SB 1773 (Alarcon) of 2006 which authorizes counties to augment the Emergency Medical Services Fund by collecting an additional penalty assessment for specified crimes. SB 1773 allowed county boards of supervisors, by resolution, to levy an additional $2 penalty assessment on every $10 penalty for all criminal offenses and moving violations, including speeding, seat belt infractions, domestic violence and driving under the influence, but only if the increased penalties did not offset or reduce the funding of other programs.	Assembly Public Safety
SB 1341	Padilla	Support (State Update: 3/20/08)	Would permit CalWORKs recipients to retain savings and interest earned on savings in a special account to secure permanent rental housing or to make a rental payment to overcome an episode of homelessness.	Assembly Human Services
SB 1349	Cox	Support (State Update: 4/1/08)	Would require the State Controller's Office to reimburse county contractors or subcontractors for mental health services within 90 days after the receipt of a reimbursement claim by the State Department of Mental Health (SDMH). It also would require that interest be paid from SDMH's budget for claims that are not paid commencing on the 91st day after the receipt of a claim.	Assembly Desk
SB 1420	Padilla, Migden	Support (State Update: 4/25/08)	Would require that all chain restaurants in the State with 15 or more outlets provide nutrition information on their menus that includes for each menu item the total number of calories, grams of saturated fat, grams of trans fat, grams of carbohydrates, and milligrams of sodium. On a menu board, it would only require the total number of calories for each item.	Senate Floor
SB 1516	Simitian	Support (State Update: 5/2/08)	Would enact the California Reading and Literacy Improvement and Public Library Construction and Renovation Bond Act of 2010 and place the measure on the November 2010 Statewide primary ballot. If approved by the voters, it would authorize the issuance of bonds in the amount of $4 billion for library construction and renovation. It would award funds for up to $30 million per project with a minimum funding level of $500,000. Local agencies would be required to pay 35 percent of the project costs.	Senate Appropriations Suspense File

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SB 1618	Hollings-worth	Oppose Unless Amended to preserve existing local fuel modification plans and general plan elements designed to regulate how private development is situated in high fire hazard zones and/or environmentally significant areas (Board Action: 3/25/08)	Would establish an exemption to the Endangered Species Act by allowing the incidental taking of an endangered or threatened species in the creation of a defensible space around a building or structure for fire safety reasons, under specified conditions. It also would amend the California Environmental Quality Act by prohibiting a lead agency from stating that specified activities related to the creation of defensible space for fire safety for a building or structure under specified conditions, can have a significant environmental impact. It would also provide that specified activities related to the creation of defensible space for fire safety for a building or structure, would be deemed consistent with the California Coastal Act of 1976.	Failed Passage in Senate Natural Resources and Water
SB 1688	Ridley-Thomas	Support (Board Action: 4/1/08)	Would require an owner or operator of a for-profit hospital to maintain the same level of care provided in the preceding calendar year, and prohibit them from decreasing the total expenditures for a hospital by more than 10 percent from the prior year's expenditures without approval of the California Department of Public Health.	Senate Appropriations
SB 1717	Perata	Oppose (State Update: 4/23/08)	Would increase the number of weeks of benefit payments to permanently disabled workers over a period of three years. At the end of the three-year period, the number of weeks of benefit payments for each level of permanent disability would be doubled.	Senate Floor
SB 1734	Kuehl	Support (Board Action: 4/1/08)	Would prohibit a real estate investment trust which leases property to a hospital from amending the lease or selling the property to a for-profit hospital operator if the action would result in a reduction of care or closure of the hospital.	Senate Appropriations
SB 1771	Romero	Oppose (State Update: 4/11/08)	Would eliminate the requirement that an agency show remaining blight in order to extend a project by extended the City of Industry Redevelopment Projects by 10 years, which would equate to diversions of property taxes from the taxing entities, including the County, for a total of 60 years.	Senate Local Government
SCA 12	Torlakson	Support (Board Action: 8/7/07)	Would provide additional resources for local governments to fund stormwater and urban runoff management programs by exempting new or increased stormwater and urban runoff management fees or charges from the California Constitution's voter approval requirements for property-related fees and charges.	Senate Floor

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