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CPUC Divisions provided the expertise for—

≈ 500 Legislative requests

≈ 175 informal briefings

≈ 50 formal briefings

~5 Low Income Oversight Board presentations

~3 international delegations hosted

≈ 13 CPUC Academy presentations on the following subjects

2015 CPUC ACADEMY PRESENTATIONS

CPUC Mission and History, Overview of Structure and Process, Themes and Reforms
Executive Director Timothy J. Sullivan

How the Commission Makes Decisions and Related Rules
Interim Chief Administrative Law Judge David Gamson

Departing Load Charges
Energy Division Program Manager Gurbux Kahlon

Administration Overview and Budget Transparency, Audits, and Reforms
Deputy Executive Director Michelle Cooke

Rail Safety, Especially Oil and Other Hazards by Rail, Plus Jurisdiction Issues
Deputy Director Rail Safety Paul King, PhD

Overview of Energy Division and Procurement 101
Energy Division Director Edward Randolph

Gas and Electric Safety Accomplishments, Reforms, Hot Topics
Safety Division Director Elizaveta Malashenko

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Communications Division Overview: Telecom 101 and Emerging Topics
Communications Division Director Ryan Dulin

Safety in Ratemaking 101 and Emerging Topics
Energy Division Program Manager Gurbux Kahlon

Water and Audits Overview
Water and Audits Director Rami Kahlon

Energy Efficiency
Energy Efficiency Branch Manager Pete Skala

Overview of the Consumer Services and Information Division, Plus the Results of Audit and Reforms
Consumer Services Director Loreen McMahan

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ACRONYMS

AG = Attorney General
ALJ = Administrative Law Judge
APA = Administrative Procedures Act
ARB = (California) Air Resources Board
BCP = Budget Change Proposal
BOE = Board of Equalization
BK = Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act
CAISO = California Independent System Operator
CASF = California Advanced Services Fund
CEC = California Energy Commission
CEQA = California Environmental Quality Act
CHEEF = California Hub for Energy Efficiency Financing
CPCN = Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity
CPUC = California Public Utilities Commission
DMV = Department of Motor Vehicles
DOF = Department of Finance
GHG = Greenhouse Gas
IOU = Investor Owned Utility
ISO = (California) Independent System Operator
JLBC = Joint Legislative Budget Committee
LIOB = Low Income Oversight Board
NEPA = National Environmental Policy Act
OGA = (California Public Utilities Commission) Office of Governmental Affairs
ORA = Office of Ratepayer Advocates
PRA = Public Records Act
PU = Public Utilities (Code)
PY = Personnel Year
RPS = Renewables Portfolio Standard
SFL = Spring Finance Letter
TNC = Transportation Network Company

PORTFOLIO SUMMARY

LEGISLATIVE OVERVIEW

- 143 total bills formally tracked
- 41 bills formally analyzed by divisions
- More than 100 amendments to align bills with CPUC processes and policies
- 85 tracked measures failed or became two-year bills
- 58 tracked measures sent to the Governor

OVERALL

- 143 total bills monitored
 - 85 (59%) failed or became two-year bills
Position taken on 3
 - 58 (41%) sent to the Governor
Position taken on 9
- Position taken on 12 bills total

BILL OUTCOMES

- 11 final “Support” positions
 - 2 two-year bills (SB 657 & SB 681), 9 passed, 9 signed (AB 361, AB 682, AB 1262, AB 1422, SB 348, SB 631, SB 697, SB 730 & SB 793)
- 1 final “Oppose Unless Amended” positions
 - 1 two-year bill (SB 286), 0 signed

GOVERNANCE BILL SUMMARY

Six informational hearings and workshops on CPUC governance lead to the Legislature passing six bills contemplating wide-ranging, varied, and sometimes conflicting changes to California Public Utilities Commission operations and governance. A seventh bill was not taken-up by the Senate.

TABLE OF GOVERNANCE BILL PROVISIONS

Bill	SB 18	SB 48	SB 660	AB 825	AB 1023	AB 895	SB 106
Author	Hill	Hill	Leno	Rendon	Rendon	Rendon	Budget
Version	Enrolled 9/16/15	Enrolled 9/16/15	Enrolled 9/15/15	Enrolled 9/16/15	Enrolled 9/16/15	Enrolled 9/16/15	Amended 9/10/15
Short Title	Contracts	Reform	Ex parte	Reform	Log	Energy crisis & venue	Trailer
SUBJECT ISSUE ↓							
OPERATIONS							
<i>The numbers below refer to bill sections</i>							
Limits on proceeding times			6+				
Permissive delegation to subcommittees			1				
Commission appoints Chief ALJ. Chief manages division & keeps record of proceedings			2				
Commission directs executive director			3, 3.5				
Designation of each proceeding as quasi-leg, ratesetting, or adjudication.			5				
Commissioner presides in ratesetting or adjudication proceedings; ALJ presides or assists			5				
All Party hearing designations			5, 6, 7, 8	6			
Specified ALJ challenge process in adjudications			6				
Repeal of strong president		Permits	3.5				
PU 314.5 audits posted on CPUC website				3			
No CPUC advocacy attorney or staff in a prosecutor or advocacy capacity can meet with Commissioners unless all parties present				6			
In ratesetting proceedings can issue Alternate Decisions at any time			7				
Expanded public advisor duties				6			
Local elected officials can request public participation meeting in district				6			
Requires 6 meetings per year in Sacramento		2					
Proceeding time measured from initiation, not issuance of Scoping Memo			9				

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	SB 18	SB 48	SB 660	AB 825	AB 1023	AB 895	SB 106
Required, transcribed all-party meetings before a quorum of commissioners			6, 7, 8	7			
Rules making public comments part of the record				7,8,9			
Commissioner & ALJ bias & disqualification standards similar to the APA; each can't rule on bias motions			4				
Judicial Ethics. Codifies the Administrative Code of Ethics		14		7			
Commission must adopt definition of "administrative matters". Commission can discuss administrative matters in closed session w/o consensus or vote.			5				
Attorney coordination between ORA & CPUC							2
No ratepayer funded state entity w/o Legislative authorization							3
Semi-annual JLBC notice of redirection of funds & positions, including staff loans							4
CHEEF reporting							6
\$5 million							7
PUBLIC ACCESS / TRANSPERANCY							
Service via a website, docket improvements, and more web posting (transcripts, etc)		3, 3.5		2, 2.5			
Rules for web posting comments, workshop reports, hearing exhibits, transcripts, and other documentary evidence		3, 3.5		2, 2.5, 8			
Web publish commissioner calendars				6			
Plain language Application summaries & utility contact for discussion in each service territory				4			
CPUC update of procurement confidentiality rules—PU 721				6			
CPUC website posting of electricity procurement contracts				6			
PU 583. Public version of any confidential proceeding filings				5			
PU 583. "Ruling or order" of the commission must examine specific info or document—requires hearing				5			
PU 583. Requirement for hearings on motions to unseal				5			

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EX PARTE							
	SB 18	SB 48	SB 660	AB 825	AB 1023	AB 895	SB 106
Two tier ex parte. Adjudication and Ratesetting prohibited; Quasi-Legislative permitted			Through-out				
Ex parte violations as basis for overturning decisions. CPUC required to process challenges in 180 days			6				
No vote on matter in which ex parte violation reported until reasonable opportunity for all parties to respond			6				
Financial industry included			5				
Commission to define "other" categories of interested persons by rule			5				
New decisionmaker "backup" reporting obligation for violative ex parte contacts			5				
Modifies procedural definition			5				
Increased reporting detail (medium, initiator, those present)			5				
Ex parte not part of record			5				
Expand decisionmaker definition			5		1		
Procedural discussions prohibited (except for assigned ALJ)			7				
Replace equal time rule with prohibition on individual ex parte			7				
Ratesetting. Decisionmaker oral communications permitted w/ 3 working day notice to all parties			7				
Quasi-legislative reporting (by interested person)			8				
Report summary logs			10		1		
Emphasizes CPUC enforcement authority (for utility ex parte violations)			11				
Decisionmaker penalties			12				
Ex parte at conferences same (codifies current rules)			5				
JURISDICTION							
Bagley-Keene actions in superior court		16				5	
PRA actions in superior court		16				5	
Ex parte violations enforced by AG			12				
OVERSIGHT							
Budget Committee outside counsel contract review	1						4
State Auditor appoints an Inspector General				1			
Inspector General can examine & reproduce records, subpoenas, confidentiality. Paid by CPUC upon appropriation.				1			

	SB 18	SB 48	SB 660	AB 825	AB 1023	AB 895	SB 106
Gov Ops third-party assessment & JLBC + DOF report, paid by CPUC.							1
CA Research Bureau review							5
ENERGY CRISIS LITIGATION							
Can deduct litigation costs from fund						4	
No in-kind settlements						1, 2	
Redirects \$ to Ratepayer Relief Fund						4	

GOVERNANCE BILL FINAL ACTIONS

The Governor’s SB 660 Veto Message directed the CPUC to work with Legislators on reforms, stating—

There are many important and needed reforms in this package of bills. Unfortunately, taken together there are various technical and conflicting issues that make the over fifty proposed reforms unworkable. Some prudent prioritization is needed.

These reforms should include greater public access through technology improvements, incorporating public comments into the record, more Commission meetings outside of San Francisco, amend Section 583 of the Public Utilities Code to require more information to be publicly available, facilitating greater deliberation among Commissioners through Bagley-Keene reform to improve decisionmaking and some tightening of the rules on ex- parte communications.

I am directing my office to work with the authors on drafting these reforms and to ensure the Commission receives the necessary resources to implement them swiftly and effectively.

AB 825 (Rendon) CPUC Governance

Would establish a CPUC Inspector General appointed by the State Auditor. Would require posting of materials on the CPUC website including audits and specified energy procurement contracts. Would modify the review and production of confidential documents. Would expand the definition of evidentiary record.

Status: [Vetoed](#)

AB 895 (Rendon) Energy crisis litigation and specified actions in superior court

Would require the Attorney General or the CPUC to enter into an energy settlement agreement solely on a monetary basis and would prohibit the agreement from including nonmonetary compensation in lieu of monetary compensation. Would direct the proceeds of energy crisis litigation into the Ratepayer Relief Fund to be distributed by Legislative appropriation. Would specify the superior court as the venue for Public Records Act and Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act appeals.

Status: [Vetoed](#)

AB 1023 (Rendon) Contacts log

Would require the CPUC to establish and maintain a weekly communications log summarizing all oral or written ex parte communications and to make each log available to the public on the commission's Internet Web site.

Status: [Vetoed](#)

SB 18 (Hill) CPUC outside counsel contract process

Would require that any contract or other agreement by the CPUC for services by outside legal counsel to represent the CPUC in a criminal investigation initiated by any federal, state, or local agency be approved by a vote of the commission no sooner than 30 days after it is submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee for review.

Status: [Vetoed](#)

SB 48 (Hill-Hueso) CPUC governance: operations

Would require that the CPUC hold no less than 6 sessions each year in the City of Sacramento and would specify the superior court as the venue for Public Records Act and Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act actions among other provisions.

Status: [Vetoed](#)

SB 660 (Leno-Hueso) CPUC governance: ex parte

Would specifically authorize subcommittees; would put in statute bias standards for Administrative Law Judges and Commissioners; would provide for all-party conferences in specific situations; would redefine ex parte communication and decisionmaker. Would permit closed session discussion of administrative matters. Would require a communications log. Would specify commission and Attorney General enforcement of ex parte violations in certain circumstances.

Status: [Vetoed](#)

SB 106 (Budget and Fiscal Review) Public Utilities Commission

Would authorize the CPUC to meet in Sacramento; require the CPUC notify the Joint Legislative Budget Committee of outside counsel contracts over a \$1 million within 10 days; specify the terms of CPUC use of outside counsel in the event of a criminal investigation; specify an interconnection dispute resolution process; authorize third-party administration of the New Solar Homes Partnership Program; require an assessment and recommendations on the use of resources to meet the CPUC's core mission; and appropriate \$5 million dollars for the CPUC's Fiscal year 2015-2016 budget.

Status: 2-Year Bill (last location: Senate)

ENERGY BILL SUMMARY

Even as the Governance bill debate generated blunt criticism of the CPUC, other bills entrusted the CPUC with much of the implementation of the Legislature's and Governor's Goals to shape the energy future of California and the world.

SB 350 (de León) Renewable and energy efficiency goals

Requires that the amount of electricity generated and sold to retail customers per year from eligible renewable energy resources be increased to 50% by December 31, 2030. Makes other revisions to the RPS Program and to certain other requirements on public utilities and publicly owned electric utilities.

CPUC: Sought and obtained amendments to align with CPUC processes and policies.

Status: Chapter 547

AB 802 (Williams) Energy efficiency baselines, benchmarking, and data

Specifies the CPUC authorize up-to-code electrical and gas corporation energy efficiency investments for "high opportunity project or programs" by January 1, 2015 and for other projects by September 1, 2015. Requires the CEC

and CPUC update energy demand forecasts taking into account up-to-code energy efficiency work. Authorizes access to energy data for benchmarking.

CPUC: Sought and obtained amendments to align with CPUC processes policies.

Status: Chapter 590

AB 693 (Eggman) Multifamily Affordable Housing Solar Roofs Program

Authorizes a qualified third-party to administer the Multifamily Affordable Housing Solar Roofs Program funded by IOU cap-and-trade funds.

CPUC: Sought and obtained amendments to align with CPUC processes policies.

Status: Chapter 582

AB 793 (Quirk) Energy efficiency management software

Requires weatherization include energy management technology determined by the commission to be feasible, taking into consideration specified factors. Requires a specified program for small or medium businesses.

CPUC: Sought and obtained amendments to align with CPUC processes and policies.

Status: Chapter 589

SB 793 (Wolk) Green Tariffs Shared Renewables Program

Requires the CPUC to require utilities offering a green tariff shared renewables program to provide subscribing customers with a nonbinding estimate of reasonably anticipated bill credits and bill charges for a period of up to 20 years.

CPUC Position: Support

Status: Chapter 587

AB 1330 (Bloom) Demand response

Would require the CPUC, in consultation with the CEC, to establish an annual goal for demand response, with a timetable for achieving that percentage, by June 30, 2018.

CPUC: Sought and obtained amendments to align with CPUC processes and policies.

Status: 2-Year Bill (last location: Senate Inactive File)

SB 765 (Wolk) Energy efficiency market transformation

Would require the CPUC, in ensuring that prudent investments in energy efficiency are made and produce cost-effective energy savings, reduce customer demand, and support the state's greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals, to contract with an independent entity to serve as the California Market Transformation Administrator (CalMTA). The bill would require the CPUC to require the CalMTA to work in concert with other energy efficiency administrators that are carrying out energy efficiency activities under the CPUC's oversight to incorporate long-term market transformation strategies into the state's energy efficiency portfolio.

CPUC: Sought and obtained amendments to align with CPUC processes and policies.

Status: 2-Year Bill (last location: Senate Appropriations)

SPONSORED BILL SUMMARY

SB 348 (Galgiani) Extended railroad safety environmental review exemption

Extends the sunset for allowing a CPUC CEQA-equivalent permitting process to eliminate or reconstruct railroad grade crossings.

CPUC Position: Support as Sponsor

Status: Chapter 143

SB 631 (Hueso) Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity fees

Resets the fee for a certificate to operate at \$500 and authorizes the CPUC to adjust the fee based on the Consumer Price Index.

CPUC Position: Sponsored Policy

Status: Chapter 237

SB 697 (Hertzberg) Public Utilities Commission Accountability Act of 2015

Consolidates and clarifies CPUC reporting requirements in one article. Extends the sunset for energy crisis litigation bond financing authority. Repeals a charter-party carrier decal provision drafting error from an earlier bill.

CPUC Position: Support as Sponsor

Status: Chapter 612

SAFETY BILL SUMMARY

AB 361 (Achadjian) Nuclear power plant emergency preparedness & independent seismic review

Extends the authorization for the California Emergency Services Act, until July 1, 2019, funding state and local radiological emergency preparedness and response plan activities. Extends, until August 26, 2025, funding for an independent peer review panel to review enhanced seismic studies of the Diablo Canyon power plant site.

CPUC Position: Support

Status: Chapter 399

AB 1266 (Gonzalez) Electrical and gas corporations: excess compensation

Prohibits an electrical corporation or gas corporation from recovering from ratepayers expenses for excess compensation (over \$1 m annually) paid to an officer of a utility for a period of 5 years following a triggering safety violation unless the utility obtains the approval of the CPUC.

CPUC: Sought and obtained amendments to align with CPUC processes and policies.

Status: Chapter 599

SB 541 (Hill) Transportation assessment

Updates goals for the CPUC transportation unit; requires an independent entity assess and report on the CPUC's operations in light of those goals; and outlines specific requirements for the CPUC's transportation oversight related to enforcement.

CPUC: Sought and obtained amendments to align with CPUC processes and policies.

Status: Chapter 718

SB 730 (Wolk) Freight railroads minimum crew size

Prohibits, after February 1, 2016, a train or light engine used with the movement of freight from operating with a crew of fewer than 2 individuals, plus civil penalties for willful violations.

CPUC Position: Support

Status: Chapter 283

AB 853 (Hernandez) Direct employees

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

CPUC: Sought and obtained amendments to align with CPUC processes and policies.

Status: 2-Year Bill (last location: Senate Inactive File)

SB 119 (Hill) Excavation safety: The Dig Safe Act of 2015

Would incrementally improve the rules and enforcement related to the excavation of any underground pipeline, conduit, duct, wire, or other structure. The Dig Safe Act of 2015 would define and clarify enforcement, funding, terms and reporting.

Status: [Vetoed](#)

SB 681 (Hill) Gas corporation safety violation tax deductions

Would, for the taxable year beginning on January 1, 2015, not allow a deduction under the Corporation Tax Law for expenses or expenditures by a gas corporation that the Public Utilities Commission identified in a decision to penalize the gas corporation for a natural gas safety violation.

CPUC Position: Support

Status: 2-Year Bill (last location: Senate Inactive File)

TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANY BILL SUMMARY

AB 1422 (Cooper) Transportation Network Companies: pull notice participation

Provides that a Transportation Network Company is eligible and required to participate in the Department of Motor Vehicles' pull-notice system to regularly check the driving records of a participating driver regardless of whether the participating driver is an employee or an independent contractor of the Transportation Network Company.

CPUC Position: Support

Status: Chapter 791

AB 24 (Nazarian) Transportation Network Companies

Would prohibit the CPUC from issuing or renewing charter-party carrier permits unless the applicant participates in the Department of Motor Vehicles pull-notice system.

Status: 2-Year Bill (last location: Assembly Appropriations)

AB 828 (Low) Transportation Network Companies: commercial registration

Would require the CPUC to investigate whether existing statutes and regulations relating to transportation services serve the public interest, encourage innovation, and create a fair and competitive transportation market between companies that provide regulated transportation services, with a report to the Legislature on conclusions and recommendations on or before January 1, 2017.

Status: 2-Year Bill (last location: Senate Energy Utilities & Communications)

AB 1289 (Cooper) Transportation Network Companies: penalties

Would require a Transportation Network Company to conduct comprehensive criminal background checks for each participating driver that include local, state, and federal law enforcement records. Would prohibit a Transportation Network Company from contracting with, employing, or continuing to retain a driver if he or she is required by any law to register as a sex offender or has been convicted of any violent felony, sexual offense, driving under the influence offense, non-felony violent crime, act of fraud, act of terror, or crime involving property damage or theft.

Status: 2-Year Bill (last location: Senate Rules)

AB 1360 (Ting) Transportation Network Companies: individual fare exemption

Would exempt from specified provisions a Transportation Network Company or a charter-party carrier of passengers that prearranges a ride among multiple passengers who share the ride in whole or in part, provided that the vehicle seats no more than 7 passengers, not including the driver, is operated by a participating driver, is not used to provide public transit services or carry passengers over a fixed route, is not used to provide pupil transportation services or public paratransit services, and the fare for each passenger is less than the fare that would be charged to a passenger traveling alone.

Status: 2-Year Bill (last location: Senate Energy Utilities & Communications)

SB 372 (Galgiani) Transportation Network Companies: sex offenders

Would prohibit a taxicab transportation service operator from hiring or retaining a driver who is required by law to register as a sex offender.

Status: 2-Year Bill (last location: Senate Energy Utilities & Communications)

COMMUNICATIONS BILL SUMMARY

AB 57 (Quirk) Wireless telecommunications facilities: siting

Provides that a collocation or siting application for a wireless telecommunications facility is deemed approved if the city or county fails to approve or disapprove the application within the reasonable time periods specified in applicable decisions of the Federal Communications Commission, all required public notices have been provided regarding the application, and the applicant has provided a notice to the city or county that the reasonable time period has lapsed.

Status: Chapter 685

AB 1262 (Wood) Broadband: local Consortia funding

Specifies that \$5 million in the California Advanced Services Fund broadband loan program be dedicated to spending on local Consortia to consolidate demand and support local and county government broadband deployment efforts.

CPUC Position: Support

Status: Chapter 242

SB 178 (Leno) California Electronic Communications Privacy Act

Enacts the California Electronic Communications Privacy Act prohibiting a government entity from compelling the production of or access to electronic communication information or electronic device information without a search warrant, wiretap order, order for electronic reader records, or subpoena issued pursuant under specified conditions, except for emergency situations. The Act may be modified to explicitly exclude energy meter data from the definitions.

Status: Chapter 651

BUDGET ACTIONS

The Governor’s 2015-16 budget included 54.5 positions—25 permanent and 29.5 limited-term. The Legislature removed \$5 million from the CPUC’s operating budget.

BUDGET POSITIONS SUMMARY

Title	Positions	Purpose
Risk Assessment	3	Safety
Utility Safety Engineer (ORA)	3	Safety
Fiscal Audits	1	Auditing
Internal Audit Leadership	1	Auditing
Review of Balancing Accounts	2	Auditing
Enhanced Regulatory Auditing Capacity	7	Auditing
Internal Audit Unit	5	Auditing
Speech Generating Devices	4.5	Program
Rate Design Analysts (ORA)	2	Ratesetting
<i>Total</i>	28.5	

Title	Positions	Legislation
Gas Leakage Abatement	4	SB 1371 (Leno)
Electrical Grid Security	4	SB 699 (Hill)
Modified Limos	3	SB 611 (Hill)
Mobile prepaid collection	8	AB 1717 (Perea)
Demand response	4	SB 1414 (Wolk)
San Joaquin Valley	3	AB 2672 (Perea)
<i>Total</i>	26	

BUDGET HEARINGS

May 21, 2015 Assembly Budget Subcommittee 3 – Resources and Transportation

Net Energy Metering on Military Bases – Trailer Bill Language

Implement GHG Revenue Study on Energy-Intensive, Trade Exposed Industries

May 20, 2015 Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee 2 – Resources, Environment & Energy

Commission Accountability

May 18, 2015 Assembly Budget Subcommittee 3 – Resources and Transportation

Net Energy Metering on Military Bases – Trailer Bill Language

May 13, 2015 Assembly Budget Subcommittee 3 – Resources and Transportation

Baseline Budget Overview

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Audit Positions (Previously Held Open) & Internal Audit Positions (SFL)
Legislation Implementation (Previously Held Open) & Spring Proposals
Risk Assessment (SFL)
Office of Ratepayer Advocates (SFL)

May 7, 2015 Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee 4 – State Administration & General Government
California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority

May 7, 2015 Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee 2 – Resources, Environment & Energy
CPUC actions related to High Speed Rail and the California Highway Patrol

April 23, 2015 Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee 2 – Resources, Environment & Energy
Multiple Items
Questions for the Commission

April 22, 2015 Assembly Budget Subcommittee 3 – Resources and Transportation
CPUC actions related to High Speed Rail

April 15, 2015 Assembly Budget Subcommittee 3 – Resources and Transportation
Zero-Based Budget
Audit Positions
Legislation Implementation
Various Other Budget Proposals

February 25, 2015 Assembly Budget Subcommittee 3 – Resources and Transportation
President Michael Picker – Overview of Public Utilities Commission Budget

BUDGET TRAILER BILL SUMMARY

SB 106 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) Public Utilities Commission

Would have—

- authorized the CPUC to meet in Sacramento;
- required notification of the Joint Legislative Budget Committee of outside counsel contracts over a \$1 million within 10 days;
- specified terms on the use of outside counsel in the event of a criminal investigation;
- specified an interconnection dispute resolution process;
- authorized third-party administration of the New Solar Homes Partnership Program;
- required an assessment and recommendations on the use of resources to meet the CPUC’s core mission; and
- restored \$5 million dollars for the CPUC’s Fiscal year 2015-16 budget.

Status: Senate Floor

INFORMATIONAL AND OVERSIGHT HEARINGS

ASSEMBLY UTILITIES AND COMMERCE HEARINGS

August 17, 2015 - California Public Utilities Commission Contracting Practices

July 13, 2015 - California Public Utilities Commission Ex Parte Communications and Related Practices

March 16, 2015 - Reports on California Public Utilities Commission and Office of Ratepayer Advocates
Activities in 2013 - 2014

SENATE ENERGY UTILITIES & COMMUNICATIONS HEARINGS

March 25, 2015 - CPUC and Public Safety: a Focus on Energy Infrastructure

March 11, 2015 - Ex Parte Communications and the CPUC Rule Making Process

March 3, 2015 - CPUC & ORA Annual Report to the Legislature and Initial Inquiry Into the Adequacy of Rules
Governing Ex Parte Communication and Safety

SELECT COMMITTEE HEARINGS TOWN HALLS & OTHERS

September 25, 2015 - Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant Seismic Safety Informational Town Hall

August 22, 2015 - Town Hall on the Power Outages in Long Beach

August 19, 2015 - Assembly Select Committee on California's Clean Energy Economy
Renewable Integration

July 28–30, 2015 - California FirstNet Consultation

June 23, 2015 - Select Committee on Renewable Energy Development and Restoration of the Salton Sea

March 5, 2015 - Little Hoover Commission: Public Hearing on California's Open Meeting Acts

August 26, 2014 - Little Hoover Commission: Public Hearing on the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act

CONFIRMATION HEARINGS

August 19, 2015 - Senate Rules Committee – Michael Picker

August 19, 2015 - Senate Rules Committee – Liane M. Randolph

APPENDIX: LEGISLATIVE MANDATES

ACTION	DEADLINE	CPUC DIVISION	BILL
Work with the Legislature and Administration through the budget process to ensure necessary funds are dedicated to accomplish governance reforms	1/1/2016	CPUC-wide	Multiple
Establish efficiency targets for electrical and gas corporations consistent working with the CEC to establish annual targets for statewide energy efficiency savings and demand reductions that will achieve a cumulative doubling of statewide energy efficiency savings in electricity and natural gas final end uses of retail customers by January 1, 2030	ongoing	Energy	SB 350 (de León)
Study the transformation of the ISO into a regional organization	none	Energy	SB 350 (de León)
Energy demand forecast adjustments with the CEC	none	Energy	AB 802 (Williams)
Specify utility data delivery	none	Energy	AB 802 (Williams)
Authorize electric and gas corporation to-code “high opportunity projects or programs” including operational, behavioral, and retrocommissioning	1/1/2016	Energy	AB 802 (Williams)
Authorize electric and gas corporation to-code energy efficiency projects including operational, behavioral, and retrocommissioning	9/1/2016	Energy	AB 802 (Williams)
Renumbered reports	1/1/2016	Energy	AB 802 (Williams)
Implement multifamily solar homes program for GHG IOU revenue	none	Energy	AB 693 (Eggman)
Implement \$5 million of Consortia funding	none	Comun-ications	AB 1262 (Wood)
Address commitment to clarify that the California Electronic Communications Privacy Act does not apply to advanced meters	1/1/2016	Energy	SB 178 (Leno)
Exercise environmental permitting safety exemption for at-grade crossings	none	Safety	SB 348 (Galgiani)
Contract for transportation assessment	11/1/2015	Safety	SB 541 (Hill)
Report to Legislature on transportation assessment (PU 918.1 & 918.2)	1/1/2017	Safety	SB 541 (Hill)
Outline enforcement implementation and coordination processes (PU 5102, 5317.5 & 5352)	none	Safety	SB 541 (Hill)
Update report references	none	CPUC	SB 697 (Hertzberg)
Update energy crisis bond refinancing authority	1/1/2017	Legal	SB 697 (Hertzberg)
Implement green tariff estimate of bill credit and charge	1/1/2017	Energy	SB 793 (Wolk)
Develop small or medium business energy efficiency data programs (PU 717)	1/1/2017	Energy	AB 793 (Quirk)
Develop a plan to educate residential customers and small and medium business customers about energy data incentive program (PU 717)	9/30/2016	Energy	AB 793 (Quirk)

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Require utilities to annually report on savings in PU 717 programs	1/1/2017	Energy	AB 793 (Quirk)
Implement future funding for the Diablo Canyon Independent Peer Review Panel	none	Energy	AB 361 (Achadjian)
Implement funding for Diablo Canyon state and local emergency service activities	7/1/2019	Energy	AB 361 (Achadjian)
Address mobile home park permitting in master meter pilot	1/1/2017	Safety/ Energy	AB 682 (Williams)
Open a proceeding to develop rules for addressing excess compensation in utility rate cases	1/1/2017	Energy	AB 1266 (Gonzalez)
Ensure University of California and California State University energy efficiency programs are consistent with CPUC energy efficiency rules	none	Energy	AB 1150 (Levine)
Verify TNC compliance with DMV pull-notice program	1/1/2017	Safety	AB 1422 (Cooper)
Update fee for Certificates of Public Convenience and Necessity	1/1/2017	Communi- cations	SB 631 (Hueso)
Coordinate with the Administration to address water low-income rate assistance programs while maintaining ratepayer protections	1/1/2017	Water	AB 401 (Dodd)
Coordinate with other water agencies on groundwater management plans	none	Water	AB 617 (Perea)
Provide info to the California Highway Patrol on modified limos	1/1/2017	Safety	AB 863 (Dodd)
Work with the Administration and to protect public safety through excavation rules	1/1/2017	Safety	SB 119 (Hill)

APPENDIX: 2015 BILL SUMMARIES

- AB 21** (**Perea D**) **California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: scoping plan.**
Status: 9/11/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 9/11/2015)
Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board in preparing its scoping plan to consult with specified state agencies regarding matters involving energy efficiency and the facilitation of the electrification of the transportation sector. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.
- AB 22** (**Rodriguez D**) **Office of Emergency Services: oil-by-rail spills: firefighters.**
Status: 8/28/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. on 8/27/2015)
Summary: Would require, upon a specified appropriation by the Legislature, the Curriculum Development Advisory Committee to review the curriculum and courses of instruction offered by public and private programs that train firefighters in response methods for oil-by-rail spills, require the Office of Emergency Services to compile a list of those curriculum and courses of instruction and make that list available to all fire departments, and establish a program to reimburse fire departments for costs incurred by those departments in sending firefighters to trainings, as provided.
- AB 23** (**Patterson R**) **California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: market-based compliance mechanisms: exemption.**
Status: 3/23/2015-In committee: Set, first hearing. Failed passage. Reconsideration granted.
Summary: The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 authorizes the State Air Resources Board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Current state board regulations require specified entities to comply with a market-based compliance mechanism beginning January 1, 2013, and require additional specified entities to comply with that market-based compliance mechanism beginning January 1, 2015. This bill would instead exempt those categories of persons or entities that did not have a compliance obligation, as defined, under a market-based compliance mechanism beginning January 1, 2013, from being subject to that market-based compliance mechanism through December 31, 2020.
- AB 24** (**Nazarian D**) **Transportation network companies: public safety requirements.**
Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/20/2015)
Summary: Would prohibit the Public Utilities Commission from issuing or renewing a permit or certificate to a charter-party carrier of passengers unless the applicant, in addition to existing requirements, participates in the Department of Motor Vehicles pull-notice system. This bill would specifically require a transportation network company to comply with this provision and to provide for a mandatory controlled substance and alcohol testing certification program.

AB 33 (Quirk D) **Electrical corporations: procurement plans.**

Status: 9/11/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was THIRD READING on 9/8/2015)

Summary: The Public Utilities Act requires the Public Utilities Commission to review and accept, modify, or reject each electrical corporation's procurement plan and requires that each approved procurement plan accomplish specified objectives. This bill would require the commission, as part of a new or existing proceeding, to determine what role large scale energy storage could play as part of the state's overall strategy for procuring a diverse portfolio of resources and to consider specified factors in making that determination.

AB 57 (Quirk D) **Telecommunications: wireless telecommunication facilities.**

Status: 10/9/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 685, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would provide that a collocation or siting application for a wireless telecommunications facility is deemed approved if the city or county fails to approve or disapprove the application within the reasonable time periods specified in applicable decisions of the Federal Communications Commission, all required public notices have been provided regarding the application, and the applicant has provided a notice to the city or county that the reasonable time period has lapsed. This bill contains other existing laws.

AB 61 (Allen, Travis R) **Shuttle services: loading and unloading of passengers.**

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was TRANS. on 4/21/2015)

Summary: Would allow local authorities to permit shuttle service vehicles, as defined, to stop for the loading or unloading of passengers alongside specified curb spaces upon agreement between a transit system operating buses engaged as common carriers in local transportation and a shuttle service provider, as defined. The bill would state that it is the intent of the Legislature to not replace public transit services.

AB 62 (Allen, Travis R) **Charter-party carriers of passengers.**

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 12/12/2014)

Summary: The Passenger Charter-Party Carriers' Act provides for the regulation by the Public Utilities Commission of motor carriers operating as charter-party carriers of passengers. Current law generally requires charges for the transportation to be offered or afforded by a charter-party carrier of passengers to be computed and assessed on a vehicle mileage or time-of-use basis, rather than on an individual-fare basis, subject to certain exceptions. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

AB 85 (Wilk R) **Open meetings.**

Status: 9/28/2015-Vetoed by the Governor

Summary: Would, under the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act, specify that the definition of "state body" includes an advisory board, advisory commission, advisory committee, advisory subcommittee, or similar multimember advisory body of a state body that consists of 3 or more individuals, as prescribed, except a board, commission, committee, or similar

multimember body on which a member of a body serves in his or her official capacity as a representative of that state body and that is supported, in whole or in part, by funds provided by the state body, whether the multimember body is organized and operated by the state body or by a private corporation.

AB 88

(Gomez D) Sales and use taxes: exemption: energy or water efficient home appliances.

Status: 10/10/2015-Vetoed by the Governor

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

AB 102

(Rodriguez D) Railroad and surface transportation safety and emergency planning and response: hazardous materials.

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was E.S. & T.M. on 4/28/2015)

Summary: Would create the Regional Railroad and Surface Transportation Accident Preparedness and Immediate Response Force in the Office of Emergency Services, consisting of specified representatives, and would designate this force as being responsible for providing regional and onsite response capabilities in the event of a release of hazardous materials from a rail car or a railroad accident involving a rail car or a hazardous materials release from a truck accident. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 140

(Allen, Travis R) Distributed generation.

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 1/9/2015)

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

AB 149

(Chávez R) Urban water management plans.

Status: 7/6/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 49, Statutes of 2015.

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

department to submit the report to the Legislature for the 2015 plans by July 1, 2017, and the report for the 2020 plans by July 1, 2022.

AB 175 (**Mathis R**) **Electricity.**

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 1/26/2015)

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

AB 197 (**Garcia, Eduardo D**) **Public utilities: renewable resources.**

Status: 8/28/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. on 8/27/2015)

Summary: Would require the PUC, in adopting the process, to include consideration of any statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit established pursuant to the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 and consideration of capacity and essential reliability services of the eligible renewable energy resource to ensure grid reliability. The bill would require the PUC to require a retail seller of electricity, in soliciting and procuring eligible renewable energy resources, to consider the best-fit attributes of resources types that ensure a balanced resource mix to maintain the reliability of the electrical grid.

AB 199 (**Eggman D**) **Alternative energy: recycled feedstock.**

Status: 10/11/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 768, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Current law establishes the California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority to provide financial assistance for projects that promote the use of alternative energies and authorizes the authority to approve a project for financial assistance in the form of a sales and use tax exclusion. This bill would expand projects eligible for the sales and use tax exclusion to include projects that process or utilize recycled feedstock, but would not include a project that processes or utilizes recycled feedstock in a manner that constitutes disposal.

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

Status: 5/12/2015-From committee: Without further action pursuant to Joint Rule 62(a).

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

AB 238 (**Stone, Mark D**) **Telecommunications: California Advanced Services Fund**

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was U. & C. on 4/7/2015)

Summary: Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to develop, implement, and administer the CASF to encourage deployment of high-quality advanced

communications services to all Californians that will promote economic growth, job creation, and substantial social benefits of advanced information and communications technologies, as provided in specified decisions of the commission and in the CASF statute. This bill would define "broadband" for purposes of these provisions as advanced telecommunication services with specified advertised speeds.

AB 250 **(Obernalte R) Telehealth: marriage and family therapist interns and trainees.**

Status: 7/6/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 50, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would expand the definition of health care provider to include a marriage and family therapist intern or trainee, as specified. The bill would also authorize a marriage and family therapist intern and trainee to provide services via telehealth if he or she is supervised as required by the Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist Act, and is acting within the scope authorized by the act and in accordance with any regulations governing the use of telehealth promulgated by the Board of Behavioral Sciences.

AB 361 **(Achadjian R) Nuclear powerplants.**

Status: 10/1/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 399, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: The California Emergency Services Act, until July 1, 2019, prescribes a method for funding state and local costs for carrying out radiological emergency preparedness and response plan activities that are not reimbursed by federal funds, with the costs borne by utilities operating nuclear powerplants with a generating capacity of 50 megawatts or more. This bill, operative July 1, 2019, would extend, until August 26, 2025, the method for funding state and local costs for emergency service activities associated with a nuclear powerplant, as described above, with respect to a utility operating a nuclear powerplant with a generating capacity of 50 megawatts or more, thereby extending an amount, as specified, available for disbursement for local costs for the Diablo Canyon site.

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

Status: 10/9/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 662, Statutes of 2015.

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

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

Status: 10/2/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 431, Statutes of 2015.

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

AB 415 **(Chávez R) Green Tariff Shared Renewables Program.**

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/19/2015)

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

AB 510 (Rodriguez D) Wireless 911 calls: emergency telephone user surcharge.

Status: 7/15/2015-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on E., U., & C.

Summary: Would require the Public Safety Communications Division to require its California 911 Emergency Communications Branch to work with the Department of the California Highway Patrol to continue the work of the Routing on Empirical Data (RED) Project by using the technology and procedures employed in that project to assist in determining whether wireless 911 calls should be routed to a local public safety answering point or a California Highway Patrol call center. The bill would require that the project use historical empirical call data to determine the most efficient routing for wireless 911 calls.

AB 528 (Baker R) San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District: strikes: prohibition.

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was P.E.,R. & S.S. on 4/9/2015)

Summary: Would prohibit employees of the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District from engaging in a strike or work stoppage if the transit district board maintains the compensation and benefit provisions of an expired contract and an employee or employee organization has agreed to a provision prohibiting strikes in the expired or previous written labor contract. The bill would provide that an employee whom the transit district employer finds willfully engaged in a strike or work stoppage in violation of these provisions is subject to dismissal if that finding is sustained upon conclusion of the appropriate proceedings necessary for the imposition of a disciplinary action.

AB 568 (Dodd D) Reclamation District No. 108: hydroelectric power.

Status: 8/7/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 134, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Current law authorizes Reclamation District No. 1004, in conjunction with the County of Colusa, to construct, maintain, and operate a plant, transmission lines, and other necessary or appropriate facilities for the generation of hydroelectric power, as prescribed. Current law requires proceeds from the sale of electricity to be utilized to retire any time warrants issued for construction of the facilities and otherwise for the powers and purposes for which the district was formed. This bill would grant the above-described hydroelectric power authority to Reclamation District No. 108 until January 1, 2021.

AB 577 (Bonilla D) Biomethane: grant program.

Status: 9/11/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was RLS. on

9/8/2015)

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

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

Status: 8/28/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. on 8/27/2015)

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

AB 674 (Mullin D) Electricity: distributed generation.

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/27/2015)

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

AB 682 (Williams D) Mobilehome park: electric and gas service: master-meter customers.

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 581, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would authorize a person, without filing an application for an alteration or conversion with the Department of Housing and Community Development, to alter or convert, or cause to be altered or converted, the structural, fire safety, plumbing, heat-producing, or electrical systems and installations or equipment of a manufactured home or mobilehome in order to extend a gas line or electrical feeder line, or both, from a utility-owned service line to the electrical subpanel or gas inlet of the manufactured home or

mobilehome only for the purpose of a natural gas or electric service utility upgrade, or both, within a mobilehome park that is subject to or consistent with a specified decision of the Public Utilities Commission.

AB 693 **(Eggman D) Multifamily Affordable Housing Solar Roofs Program.**

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 582, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Under current law, the Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations. Current law authorizes the commission to fix the rates and charges for every public utility, and requires that those rates and charges be just and reasonable. This bill would authorize a qualified 3rd-party administrator to administer the clean energy and energy efficiency projects. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

AB 727 **(Wilk R) Castaic Lake Water Agency.**

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was L. GOV. on 4/7/2015)

Summary: Would authorize the Castaic Lake Water Agency to construct, operate, and maintain works to develop energy projects and to contract for the sale of the right to use facilities or real property for electric energy purposes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 731 **(Gallagher R) Maintenance of the codes.**

Status: 9/21/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 303, Statutes of 2015.

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

AB 793 **(Quirk D) Energy efficiency.**

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 589, Statutes of 2015.

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

AB 802 **(Williams D) Energy efficiency.**

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 590, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Current law requires the Energy Commission to prepare an integrated energy policy report every 2 years and requires the report to include an assessment and forecast of system reliability and the need for resource additions, efficiency, and conservation that considers certain criteria. This bill would require the Energy Commission, in consultation

with the Public Utilities Commission, to make all reasonable adjustments to its energy demand forecasts conducted pursuant to the above-described provisions to account for its findings of market conditions and existing baselines, and in making those adjustments, would authorize the commission to consider the results from specified programs.

AB 825 **(Rendon D) Public Utilities Commission.**

Status: 10/9/2015-Vetoed by the Governor

Summary: The Public Utilities Act requires the Public Utilities Commission to inspect and audit the books and records of electrical corporations, gas corporations, heat corporations, telegraph corporations, telephone corporations, and water corporations for regulatory and tax purposes. The act requires that reports of the inspections and audit and other pertinent information be furnished to the State Board of Equalization for use in the assessment of the public utilities. This bill would establish an Inspector General. Would delete the requirement that the reports of the inspections and audit and other pertinent information be furnished to the State Board of Equalization for use in the assessment of the public utilities and instead require that the inspections and audit and other pertinent information be posted on the commission's Internet Web site. Would make changes to Public Utilities Commission process for taking testimony and incorporating testimony into the evidentiary record.

AB 828 **(Low D) Vehicles: transportation services.**

Status: 9/11/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was E. U., & C. on 7/16/2015)

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to conduct an investigation to consider whether existing statutes and regulations relating to transportation services serve the public interest, encourage innovation, and create a fair and competitive transportation market between companies that provide regulated transportation services. The bill would require the commission to complete the investigation and report its conclusions and recommendations to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2017. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 834 **(Salas D) Political Reform Act of 1974: advertisements.**

Status: 4/29/2015-In committee: Set, first hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Summary: The Political Reform Act of 1974 prohibits an incumbent from sending a newsletter or other mass mailing at public expense. This bill would define a "public advertisement" as an advertisement that is paid for from the funds of a state or local public entity. This bill would prohibit a person or entity from disseminating, broadcasting, or otherwise publishing a public advertisement, as defined, within 90 days of an election if the advertisement features, as defined, a candidate who will appear on the ballot at that election.

AB 851 **(Mayes R) Local government: organization: disincorporations.**

Status: 9/21/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 304, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Current law authorizes a local agency which is conducting proceedings for the

incorporation of a city, formation of a district, change of organization, a reorganization, a change of organization of a city, or a municipal reorganization to propose the adoption of a special tax on behalf of the affected city or district in accordance with this procedure. This bill would additionally authorize a local agency conducting proceedings for the disincorporation of a city to propose the adoption of a special tax on behalf of an affected city in accordance with the above-described procedure.

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

Status: 9/11/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 9/11/2015)

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

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

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 583, Statutes of 2015.

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

AB 886 (**Chau D**) **Transportation service network provider: passenger privacy.**

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was P. & C.P. on 4/28/2015)

Summary: Would prohibit a transportation service network provider, as defined, from requesting or requiring personally identifiable data, as defined, of a passenger unless the information is used for certain purposes, including establishing, maintaining, and updating a customer's account. The bill would require the transportation service network provider to provide an accountholder with an opportunity to cancel or terminate an account.

AB 895 (**Rendon D**) **Utility rate refunds: energy crisis litigation: Public Utilities Commission: judicial review.**

Status: 10/9/2015-Vetoed by the Governor

Summary: Would require the Attorney General or the Public Utilities Commission to enter into an energy settlement agreement solely on a monetary basis and would prohibit the agreement from including nonmonetary compensation in lieu of monetary compensation.

The bill would prohibit the commission from distributing or expending the proceeds of claims in any litigation or settlement to obtain ratepayer recovery for the effects of the 2000-02 energy crisis and would require that the proceeds, after reimbursing the commission's litigation and investigation expenses, be deposited into the Ratepayer Relief Fund. Would specify the superior court as the venue for Public Records Act and Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act appeals.

AB 924 **(Cooley D) Personal income tax: voluntary contributions: State Children's Trust Fund.**

Status: 9/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 275, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would, for taxable years beginning on or after January 1, 2015, allow individual taxpayers to contribute amounts in excess of their tax liability to the State Children's Trust Fund. The bill would prohibit a voluntary contribution designation for this fund from being added on the form of the tax return until another designation is removed or space is available, whichever occurs first. This bill contains other related provisions.

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

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/26/2015)

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

AB 946 **(Ting D) Electric vehicle charging stations.**

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 4/28/2015)

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

AB 1005 **(Gordon D) Electric vehicles: infrastructure: charging systems.**

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was U. & C. on 4/28/2015)

Summary: Would state the intent of the Legislature to encourage and support the widespread deployment of electric vehicles, protect competitive markets for electric vehicle charging equipment and network charging services from unfair competition, support consumer choice, and encourage and support private investment in the equipment and

services, and would make legislative findings and declarations in that regard. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 1008 (Quirk D) Public utilities: sale of hydrogen to public as a motor vehicle fuel.

Status: 7/15/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 109, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would provide that the ownership or operation of a facility that sells hydrogen at retail to the public for use only as a motor vehicle fuel, and the selling of hydrogen at retail from that facility to the public for use only as a motor vehicle fuel, does not make the corporation or person a public utility solely because of that ownership, operation, or sale.

AB 1013 (Quirk D) Energy: public domain computer program: home energy rating.

Status: 8/28/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. on 8/27/2015)

Summary: Would require the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to approve and make publicly available, not less than 6 months prior to the effective date of adopted or updated efficiency standards, a version of the public domain computer program that will function properly with these adopted or updated standards. The bill would require the commission, before approving the public domain computer program for use with adopted or updated standards, to perform preliminary tests of the public domain computer program using common examples of residential and nonresidential buildings and building systems to ensure the usability of the program.

AB 1022 (Obernolte R) Solar Water Heating and Efficiency Act of 2007.

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was U. & C. on 4/6/2015)

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

AB 1023 (Rendon D) Public Utilities Commission: proceedings: ex parte communications.

Status: 10/9/2015-Vetoed by the Governor

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to establish and maintain a weekly communications log summarizing all oral or written ex parte communications, as specified, and to make each log available to the public on the commission's Internet Web site.

AB 1033 (Garcia, Eduardo D) Infrastructure financing.

Status: 9/23/2015-From J., E.D. & E.: Set for hearing. In J., E.D. & E.. On 1/5/2016

Summary: The Bergeson-Peace Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank Act establishes the California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank, within the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, to be governed by a specified

board of directors. The act makes findings and declarations, provides definitions, and authorizes the board to take various actions in connection with the bank, including the issuance of bonds, as specified. This bill, among other things, would revise the definition of economic development facilities to include facilities that are used to provide goods movement and would define goods movement-related infrastructure.

AB 1074 (Garcia, Cristina D) Alternative fuels: infrastructure.

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 5/28/2015)

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

AB 1094 (Williams D) Energy usage: plug-in equipment.

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 5/28/2015)

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

AB 1115 (Salas D) State highways: litter cleanup and abatement.

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was TRANS. on 4/6/2015)

Summary: Current law requires the Department of Transportation to maintain the state highways and, within its maintenance programs relating to litter cleanup and abatement, to assign a high priority to litter deposited along state highway segments adjoining storm drains, streams, rivers, waterways, beaches, the ocean, and other environmentally sensitive areas. Existing law authorizes the department to use litter traps in drains and any other effective technology in carrying out these responsibilities. This bill would instead require the department to use litter traps in drains and any other effective technology in carrying out these responsibilities.

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

Status: 10/9/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 670, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would require a municipal corporation, before using any street, alley, avenue,

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

AB 1137 (Mullin D) Public utility districts: seal.

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/27/2015)

Summary: The Public Utility District Act authorizes the formation of public utility districts and authorizes a district to acquire, construct, own, operate, and control works for supplying its inhabitants with light, water, power, heat, transportation, telephone service, or other means of communication, or means for the disposition of garbage, sewage, or refuse matter. The act authorizes a district to adopt a seal and alter the seal at its pleasure. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to this provision.

AB 1138 (Patterson R) High-speed rail: eminent domain.

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was TRANS. on 4/20/2015)

Summary: Would prohibit the High-Speed Rail Authority, or the State Public Works Board acting on behalf of the authority, from adopting a resolution of necessity to commence an eminent domain proceeding to acquire a parcel of real property along a corridor, or usable segment thereof, for the high-speed train system unless the resolution identifies the sources of all funds to be invested in the corridor or usable segment and the anticipated time of receipt of those funds, and certifies that the authority has completed all necessary project level environmental clearances necessary to proceed to construction.

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

Status: 8/28/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. on 8/17/2015)

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

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

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 597, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would request the Regents of the University of California, and require the California State University, to consider aligning their greenhouse gas reduction goals with those of the statewide institutional partnership between the California State University, the University of California, and investor-owned energy utilities and with those of the state, as

specified. This bill contains other existing laws.

AB 1172 **(Chau D) California cyber security.**

Status: 9/11/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 9/4/2015)

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

AB 1180 **(Garcia, Cristina D) Rates and charges for electric, gas, and water service: credit or debit card payment.**

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was U. & C. on 4/13/2015)

Summary: Would delete the express authorization for an electrical, gas, or water corporation to offer credit card and debit card bill payment options, if approved by the Public Utilities Commission, and, upon approval, recover reasonable transaction costs incurred by the electrical, gas, or water corporation from those customers that choose to pay by those payment options. The bill would revise the statements of legislative intent to state the intent of the Legislature that customers of electrical, gas, or water corporations be allowed to pay their utility bills with forms of payment that are generally accepted in the retail marketplace.

AB 1236 **(Chiu D) Local ordinances: electric vehicle charging stations.**

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 598, Statutes of 2015.

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

AB 1262 **(Wood D) Telecommunications: universal service: California Advanced Services Fund.**

Status: 9/2/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 242, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would require that of the moneys collected for California Advanced Services Fund on and after January 1, 2011, \$15,000,000 is to be deposited into the Rural and Urban Regional Broadband Consortia Grant Account and used for specified purposes, and \$10,000,000 is to be deposited into the Broadband Infrastructure Revolving Loan Account and used for specified purposes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 1266 (Gonzalez D) Electrical and gas corporations: excess compensation.

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 599, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would prohibit an electrical corporation or gas corporation from recovering from ratepayers expenses for excess compensation, as defined, paid to an officer of the utility for a period of 5 years following a triggering event, as defined, unless the utility obtains the approval of the Public Utilities Commission. The bill would provide that anytime within a 5-year period following a triggering event, and prior to paying or seeking recovery of excess compensation, the electrical corporation or gas corporation would be required to file an application with the commission containing specified information.

AB 1269 (Dababneh D) Alternative energy.

Status: 10/11/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 788, Statutes of 2015.

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

AB 1288 (Atkins D) Air resources.

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 586, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Current law establishes the State Air Resources Board, consisting of 12 members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate. Current law requires the State Air Resources Board to take certain actions regarding air pollution. This bill would increase the membership of the state board to 14, with the Senate Committee on Rules and the Speaker of the Assembly each appointing one member, as provided.

AB 1304 (Dahle R) Public contracts: public utility districts.

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/27/2015)

Summary: The Local Agency Public Construction Act governs contracting by various types of local agencies, including contracts by public utility districts. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to consolidate and reconcile specified provisions of the act relating to public utility districts.

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

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 4/6/2015)

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

AB 1330 (Bloom D) Demand response.

Status: 9/11/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was INACTIVE FILE on 9/10/2015)

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission, in consultation with the Energy Commission, electrical corporations, local publicly owned electric utilities, and community choice aggregators, by June 30, 2018, to establish an annual goal for demand response, with a timetable for achieving that percentage. The bill would require the PUC to require electrical corporations to achieve the annual goal. The bill would specify that the governing boards of local publicly owned electric utilities and certain community choice aggregators are responsible for achieving the annual goal. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 1331 (Obernolte R) California Alternate Rates for Energy program: income verification.

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 4/28/2015)

Summary: Would provide that the California Alternate Rates for Energy program participants who fail to respond to an income verification request shall be permanently barred from self-certified reenrollment in the CARE program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

AB 1333 (Quirk D) Energy efficiency programs.

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was U. & C. on 4/7/2015)

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

AB 1334 (Quirk D) Public utilities: research and development projects.

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was U. & C. on 3/23/2015)

Summary: Current law authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to allow inclusion of expenses for research and development in rates. Current law requires the commission to consider specified guidelines in evaluating the research, development, and demonstration programs proposed by electrical and gas corporations. This bill would require findings supporting a decision to approve the inclusion of expenses incurred for research and development projects or programs in electricity rates be informed by independent expert review.

AB 1340 (Chau D) Local government: sale of water utility property.

Status: 4/22/2015-In committee: Set, second hearing. Hearing canceled at the request of author.

Summary: Current law provides a procedure that is generally applicable for a city to sell its real property. Current law also establishes specific procedures for the sale of public utility property owned by a municipal corporation with certain provisions applicable to the sale of property of a water utility. This bill would authorize the City of Montebello to sell

all or part of its water utility pursuant to the procedures that are generally applicable to a sale of real property by a city, if certain requirements are met. This bill contains other related provisions.

AB 1353 (Patterson R) Highway rest areas: vending machines: utility costs.

Status: 8/11/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 173, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would prohibit the Department of Transportation from being reimbursed for utility costs incurred by vendors operating under the Business Enterprises Program for the Blind and would require the department to pay for those utility costs using state funds.

AB 1360 (Ting D) Charter-party carriers of passengers: individual fare exemption.

Status: 7/17/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was E. U., & C. on 7/2/2015)

Summary: Would exempt from specified provisions relating to the Passenger Charter-Party Carriers' Act a service operated by a transportation network company or a charter-party carrier of passengers that prearranges a ride among multiple passengers who share the ride in whole or in part, provided that the vehicle seats no more than 7 passengers, not including the driver, is operated by a participating driver, as defined, is not used to provide public transit services or carry passengers over a fixed route, is not used to provide pupil transportation services or public paratransit services, and the fare for each passenger is less than the fare that would be charged to a passenger traveling alone.

AB 1367 (Williams D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006.

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/27/2015)

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

AB 1398 (Wilk R) Environmental quality: the Sustainable Environmental Protection Act.

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 4/28/2015)

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

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

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 602, Statutes of 2015.

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

AB 1453 (Rendon D) Electrical corporations: underground electrical facilities: worker safety.

Status: 7/17/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was E. U., & C. on 6/11/2015)

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission, by January 1, 2017, to adopt a rule regulating work performed in underground electrical facilities by, or on behalf of, an electrical corporation that is consistent with certain worker safety protections. Because a violation of the rule would be a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

AB 1479 (Patterson R) Electricity: residential rates.

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/27/2015)

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

AB 1489 (Obernolte R) Household goods carriers.

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/27/2015)

Summary: Under current law, the Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities, including transportation companies. Under current law, the Household Goods Carriers Act, household goods carriers, as defined, are subject to the jurisdiction and control of the commission. The act declares that it is not to be construed as a regulation of interstate or foreign commerce, except as permitted under the United States Constitution and the acts of Congress. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

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

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/27/2015)

Summary: Current law requires the Department of Fish and Wildlife to establish an internal division with the primary purpose of performing comprehensive planning and environmental compliance services with priority given to projects involving the building of eligible renewable energy resources, as defined. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change in those provisions.

AB 1503 (Perea D) Telecommunications universal service programs: teleconnect fund.

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 5/28/2015)

Summary: Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to develop and implement a program funded by the California Teleconnect Fund Administrative Committee Fund to advance universal service by providing discounted rates to qualifying schools maintaining kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, community colleges, libraries, hospitals, health clinics, and community organizations. This bill would require the commission to include auxiliary organizations of the California State University, as defined, in the program funded by the California Teleconnect Fund Administrative Committee Fund. This bill contains other existing laws.

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

Status: 9/30/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 382, Statutes of 2015.

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

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

Status: 8/7/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 135, Statutes of 2015.

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

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

Status: 4/7/2015-April 15 set for second hearing canceled at the request of author.

Summary: The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 authorizes the State Air Resources Board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Current state board regulations require specified entities to comply with a market-based compliance mechanism beginning January 1, 2013, and require additional specified entities to comply with that market-based compliance mechanism beginning January 1, 2015. This bill instead would exempt categories of persons or entities that did not have a compliance obligation, as defined, under a market-based compliance mechanism beginning January 1, 2013, from being subject to that market-based compliance mechanism.

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

compliance mechanisms: exemption.

Status: 4/16/2015-April 15 set for second hearing. Failed passage in committee. (Ayes 2. Noes 5. Page 648.) Reconsideration granted.

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

SB 7

(Wolk D) Housing: water meters: multiunit structures.

Status: 9/11/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was UNFINISHED BUSINESS on 9/8/2015)

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

SB 9

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

Status: 10/9/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 710, Statutes of 2015.

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

SB 18

(Hill D) Public Utilities Commission: outside counsel.

Status: 10/9/2015-Vetoed by the Governor

Summary: Would require that any contract or other agreement by the Public Utilities Commission for services by outside legal counsel to represent the commission in a criminal investigation initiated by any federal, state, or local agency be approved by a vote of the commission no sooner than 30 days after it is submitted to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee for review .

SB 32

(Pavley D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006.

Status: 9/11/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(14). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 9/10/2015)

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board to approve a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit that is equivalent to 40% below the 1990 level to be

achieved by 2030. The bill also would state the intent of the Legislature for the Legislature and appropriate agencies to adopt complementary policies that ensure the long-term emissions reductions advance specified criteria. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 48 **(Hill D) Public Utilities Commission.**

Status: 10/9/2015-Vetoed by the Governor

Summary: The Public Utilities Act provides that the office of the Public Utilities Commission be in the City and County of San Francisco, that the office always be open, legal holidays and nonjudicial days excepted, that the commission hold its sessions at least once in each calendar month in the City and County of San Francisco, and authorizes the commission to also meet at those other times and places as may be expedient and necessary for the proper performance of its duties. This bill would require that the commission hold its sessions at least once in each calendar month in the City and County of San Francisco or the City of Sacramento and would require that the commission hold no less than 6 sessions each year in the City of Sacramento. Adds superior court review of Public Records Act and Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act challenges.

SB 106 **(Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) Public Utilities Commission.**

Status: 9/11/2015-Ordered to inactive file on request of Senator Mitchell.

Summary: The Public Utilities Act provides that the office of the PUC shall be in the City and County of San Francisco, requires that the PUC hold its sessions at least once in each calendar month in the City and County of San Francisco, and authorizes the PUC to also meet at those other times and places as may be expedient and necessary for the proper performance of its duties. This bill would require that the PUC hold its sessions at least once in each calendar month in the City and County of San Francisco or the City of Sacramento. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 119 **(Hill D) Protection of subsurface installations.**

Status: 10/10/2015-Vetoed by the Governor

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

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

Status: 8/28/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 7/15/2015)

Summary: CEQA establishes a procedure for the preparation and certification of the record of proceedings upon the filing of an action or proceeding challenging a lead

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

SB 180 **(Jackson D) Electricity: emissions of greenhouse gases.**

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 5/28/2015)

Summary: Would, on July 1, 2017, replace the greenhouse gases emission performance standards for baseload generation with greenhouse gases emission performance standards for nonpeaking generation and peaking generation. The bill would require the Public Utilities Commission, by June 30, 2017, through a rulemaking proceeding and in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission and the State Air Resources Board, to establish a greenhouse gases emission performance standard for all nonpeaking generation of load-serving entities, and a separate standard for peaking generation.

SB 188 **(Hancock D) Municipal utility district: utility charges: delinquencies.**

Status: 9/4/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 270, Statutes of 2015.

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

SB 189 **(Hueso D) Clean Energy and Low-Carbon Economic and Jobs Growth Blue Ribbon Committee.**

Status: 8/28/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/26/2015)

Summary: Would create the Clean Energy and Low-Carbon Economic and Jobs Growth Blue Ribbon Committee in the California Environmental Protection Agency, comprising 7 members appointed by the Governor, the Speaker of the Assembly, and the Senate Committee on Rules, as provided. The bill would prescribe the terms and qualifications of committee members and would require the committee to hold its first meeting on or before December 1, 2016.

SB 207 **(Wieckowski D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund.**

Status: 7/17/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 5/14/2015)

Summary: Current law requires a state agency expending moneys from the Greenhouse

Gas Reduction Fund to create a record, prior to the expenditure, that includes, among other things, a description of the expenditure proposed to be made and a description of how the proposed expenditure will contribute to achieving and maintaining greenhouse gas emissions reductions, as specified. This bill would require that record to be posted on the Internet Web sites of the state agency and the State Air Resources Board prior to the state agency expending those moneys.

SB 215 (**Leno D**) **Public Utilities Commission.**

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was E. U., & C. on 4/15/2015)

Summary: Would repeal the requirement that the president of the Public Utilities Commission direct the executive director, the attorney, and other commission staff. The bill would delete the authority of the president to direct or authorize the executive director and attorney to undertake certain actions, and would instead require that they be directed or authorized to undertake those actions by the commission. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 231 (**Gaines R**) **Transportation programs.**

Status: 9/9/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 286, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Current law continuously appropriates specified portions of the annual proceeds in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to various programs including 5% for the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program and 20% for the Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Program. This bill would include water-borne transit as an eligible project that may be funded under these 2 programs.

SB 241 (**Bates R**) **Neighborhood electric vehicles.**

Status: 8/10/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 156, Statutes of 2015.

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

SB 246 (**Wieckowski D**) **Climate change adaptation.**

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 606, Statutes of 2015.

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

SB 281 (**Stone R**) **Boards and commissions: salaries.**

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was G.O. on 5/12/2015)

Summary: Current law establishes the annual salary of the members of the Agricultural Labor Relations Board, the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission, the Public Employment Relations Board, the California Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board, the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board, the State Water Resources Control Board, the Occupational Safety and Health Appeals Board, the Alcoholic Beverage Control Appeals Board, the State Personnel Board, the State Air Resources Board, and the Central Valley Flood Protection Board. This bill would, for nonelected members of these state boards and commissions appointed on or after January 1, 2016, set the annual salary at \$12,000.

SB 286 (**Hertzberg D**) **Electricity: direct transactions.**

Status: 8/28/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/26/2015)

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to adopt and implement a schedule that implements a 2nd phase-in period for expanding direct transactions for individual retail nonresidential end-use customers over a period of not more than 3 years, raising the allowable limit of kilowatthours that can be supplied by other providers in each electrical corporation's distribution service territory by that electrical corporation's share of an aggregate of 8,000 gigawatthours, apportioned as specified.

SB 348 (**Galgiani D**) **California Environmental Quality Act: exemption: railroad crossings.**

Status: 8/7/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 143, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: CEQA exempts from its requirements railroad grade separation projects that eliminate existing grade crossings or that reconstruct existing grade separations. CEQA authorizes a lead agency, if it determines that a project is exempt from the requirements of CEQA, to file a notice of exemption with specific public entities. This bill would require a lead agency, if it determines that the above exemption applies to a project that the agency approves or determines to carry out, to file a notice of exemption with the Office of Planning and Research and, in the case of a local agency, with the county clerk in each affected county.

SB 350 (**de León D**) **Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act of 2015.**

Status: 10/7/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 547, Statutes of 2015.

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

SB 360 (**Cannella R**) **Biomethane.**

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was E. U., & C. on 3/5/2015)

Summary: Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to adopt pipeline access rules that ensure that each gas corporation provides nondiscriminatory open access to its gas pipeline system to any party for the purposes of physically interconnecting with the gas pipeline system and effectuating the delivery of gas. This bill would authorize the commission to consider providing the option to all gas corporations to engage in competitive bidding and direct investment in ratepayer financed biomethane collection equipment and would require that any ratepayer financed processes authorized by the commission take into account the value of the collected biomethane delivered to ratepayers and seek to return equivalent value to ratepayers over the life of any authorized project.

SB 382 (**Lara D**) **Juveniles: jurisdiction: sentencing.**

Status: 9/1/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 234, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Current law provides that certain minors who have committed specified crimes may be prosecuted under the general law in a court of criminal jurisdiction if the juvenile court concludes, after the evaluation of 5 criteria, that the minor is not a fit and proper subject to be dealt with under the juvenile court law. This bill would enumerate, within each of those 5 criteria, certain factors that may be given weight. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

SB 427 (**Fuller R**) **Renewable energy resources.**

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was RLS. on 3/5/2015)

Summary: Would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to the Renewables Portfolio Standard Program (RPS program) program authorization for electrical corporations to apply to the Public Utilities Commission for approval to construct, own, and operate an eligible renewable energy resource.

SB 444 (**Fuller R**) **Telecommunications: Moore Universal Telephone Service Act.**

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was RLS. on 3/5/2015)

Summary: The Moore Universal Telephone Service Act established the Universal Lifeline Telephone Service program in order to provide low-income households with access to affordable basic residential telephone service. The act requires that specified information be annually reported to the Legislature by the commission in a document that can be made public. This bill would make a nonsubstantive revision to the provision requiring that the items of information be annually reported to the Legislature by the commission in a document that can be made public.

SB 471 (**Pavley D**) **Water, energy, and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions: planning.**

Status: 8/28/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/26/2015)

Summary: Would include reduction of greenhouse gas emissions associated with water treatment among the investments that are eligible for funding from the Greenhouse Gas

Reduction Fund. The bill would also make legislative findings and declarations, and a statement of legislative intent, with regard to the nexus between water and energy and water and reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. This bill contains other related provisions.

SB 486 (**McGuire D**) **Telecommunications: reliability standards: 911 emergency service.**
Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was E. U., & C. on 4/6/2015)

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission, when considering the need for reliability standards, to consider standards governing the construction, operation, and maintenance of utility boxes, serving area interfaces, cross-connect facilities, cabinets, vaults, pedestals, and similar equipment located outside telephone corporation plant environments, particularly in areas that have previously experienced damage that caused a 911 outage, where the equipment is located in areas of high risk of vandalism or accidental damage and in areas lacking redundancy for backup of the main network facilities serving the area. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

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

Status: 10/1/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 419, Statutes of 2015.

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

SB 491 (**Committee on Transportation and Housing**) **Transportation: omnibus bill.**

Status: 10/2/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 451, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Current law, in the area under the jurisdiction of the Bay Area Air Quality Management District, requires at least 40% of fee revenues to be proportionately allocated to each county within the district, and requires an entity receiving these revenues, at least once a year, to hold one or more public meetings for the purpose of adopting criteria for expenditure of the funds and to review those expenditures. This bill would instead, at least once a year, require one or more public meetings to adopt criteria for expenditure of funds, if the criteria have been modified from the previous year, and one or more public meetings to review those expenditures.

SB 502 (**Leno D**) **San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District: purchase and delivery of electricity.**

Status: 8/7/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 146, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would require any electrical corporation that owns and operates transmission and distribution facilities that deliver electricity to BART, upon request by BART, to deliver electricity generated by an eligible renewable energy resource without discrimination or delay. For these purposes, an "eligible renewable energy resource" would have the same meaning as defined in a specified provision of the California Renewables

Portfolio Standard Program.

SB 506 **(Fuller R) Economic development: military and aerospace.**

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 5/28/2015)

Summary: Would establish the Military and Aerospace Program in the Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development, and set forth the program's duties and authority with respect to state and local defense retention, conversion, and base reuse activities, including developing and recommending to the Governor and the Legislature a strategic plan for state and local defense retention and conversion efforts.

SB 508 **(Beall D) Transportation funds: transit operators: pedestrian safety.**

Status: 10/9/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 716, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would delete the requirement for transit operators to maintain higher farebox requirements based on the 1978-79 fiscal year. The bill would exempt additional categories of expenditures from the definition of "operating cost" used to determine compliance with required farebox ratios, including, among others, certain fuel, insurance, and claims settlement cost increases beyond the change in the Consumer Price Index.

SB 512 **(Hill D) Criminal History Information: Health Services Personnel.**

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 5/28/2015)

Summary: Would require local criminal justice agencies to additionally furnish summary criminal history information to city, county, and city and county health services personnel who are engaged in efforts to identify and treat individuals who have alcohol abuse, substance abuse, or mental health issues, for the purpose of providing assessment, treatment, rehabilitation, or other health care to those individuals. By imposing new duties upon a local criminal justice agency with respect to furnishing local summary criminal history information, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 529 **(Pan D) Transportation funding: Downtown/Riverfront Streetcar Project.**

Status: 4/16/2015-Re-referred to Com. on T. & H.

Summary: Current law provides various sources of funding for transportation projects. This bill would appropriate \$10 million from the General Fund to the Downtown/Riverfront Streetcar Project, connecting Sacramento to West Sacramento, for use in funding the development of the project.

SB 530 **(Pan D) Pedicabs.**

Status: 10/4/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 496, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would expand the definition of a pedicab to include a 4-wheeled device that is primarily or exclusively pedal-powered, has a seating capacity for 8 or more passengers, cannot travel in excess of 15 miles per hour, and is being used for transporting passengers for hire, as prescribed. The bill would impose specified requirements on these pedicabs defined by the bill.

SB 539 (Glazer D) Public property: names: Confederate States of America.

Status: 10/11/2015-Vetoed by the Governor

Summary: Would, on and after January 1, 2017, prohibit the use of an elected leader or senior military officer of the Confederate States of America to name state or local property. The bill would require a name associated with the Confederate States of America used to name state or local property prior to January 1, 2017, to be changed and any sign associated with the name to be removed.

SB 541 (Hill D) Public Utilities Commission: for-hire transportation carriers: enforcement.

Status: 10/9/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 718, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: The Household Goods Carriers Act and the Passenger Charter-party Carriers' Act contain statements of the purposes of those acts and the use of the public highways pursuant to those acts. This bill would specify activities to be undertaken by the Public Utilities Commission to achieve these purposes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 544 (Lara D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: scoping plan.

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was RLS. on 3/12/2015)

Summary: The State Air Resources Board is required to adopt a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide greenhouse gas emissions level in 1990 to be achieved by 2020. The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 requires the state board to prepare and approve a scoping plan for achieving the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

SB 550 (Hertzberg D) Net energy metering.

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 5/28/2015)

Summary: Current law relative to private energy producers requires every electric utility to develop a standard contract or tariff providing for net energy metering and to make this contract or tariff available to eligible customer-generators upon request for generation by a renewable electrical generation facility. This bill would delete the exemption for those local publicly owned electric utilities. The bill would define the "aggregate customer peak demand" for the purposes of calculating the net energy metering program limit for electric utilities that are not large electrical corporations. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 576 (Leno D) Mobile applications: geolocation information: privacy.

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was B., P. & E.D. on 3/12/2015)

Summary: Would require the operator of a mobile application to provide clear and conspicuous notice that fully informs consumers when, how, and why their geolocation information, as defined, will be collected, used, and shared upon installation of the

application. The bill would require the operator of a mobile application to obtain consent before collecting or using geolocation information and to obtain separate consent before disclosing that information.

SB 626 **(McGuire D) Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District: police force.**

Status: 10/4/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 492, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Current law creates the Sonoma-Marín Area Rail Transit District, within the Counties of Sonoma and Marín, governed by a 12-member board of directors. This bill would authorize the board to establish the position of chief of police, subject to specified requirements. If the board determines that more than one peace officer is needed, the bill would require the board to contract with law enforcement agencies located within the County of Marín or the County of Sonoma for the additional law enforcement services of one or more peace officers.

SB 631 **(Hueso D) Public Utilities Commission: fees.**

Status: 9/1/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 237, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Under current law, the Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities. Current law requires the commission to charge and collect a fee of \$75 for filing each application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity, or for the mortgage, lease, transfer, or assignment of a certificate. This bill would require a fee of \$500 for filing these applications and would authorize the commission to adjust this fee based on the Consumer Price Index. This bill contains other related provisions and other current laws.

SB 660 **(Leno D) Public Utilities Commission.**

Status: 10/9/2015-Vetoed by the Governor

Summary: Current law requires the Governor to designate the president of the Public Utilities Commission from among its members and requires the president to direct the executive director, the attorney, and other staff of the commission, except for the Office of Ratepayer Advocates. This bill would authorize the commission to delegate specific management and internal oversight functions to committees composed of 2 commissioners. The bill would require the commission to appoint a chief administrative law judge who would be responsible for the oversight of the administrative law judge division. The bill would also codify new rules for ex parte communications at the Public Utilities Commission.

SB 687 **(Allen D) Renewable gas standard.**

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 5/28/2015)

Summary: Would require the state board, on or before June 30, 2017, in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission and the Public Utilities Commission, to adopt a carbon-based renewable gas standard, as defined and specified, that requires all gas sellers, as defined, to provide specified percentages of renewable gas meeting certain deliverability requirements, to retail end-use customers for use in California, that increases over specified compliance periods. The bill would

authorize the state board to waive enforcement of the renewable gas standard upon certain showings being made by a gas seller.

SB 693 **(Hueso D) State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission: qualifications: conflicts of interest.**

Status: 7/17/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was U. & C. on 5/18/2015)

Summary: Current law prescribes certain qualifications for members of the Energy Commission, including a prohibition against receiving a substantial portion of income from specified energy-related entities in the 2 years preceding appointment to the Energy Commission. Current law makes the violation of these provisions a felony subject to fine of not more than \$10,000 or imprisonment, or both. This bill would increase the maximum fine to \$50,000 for a violation of those provisions.

SB 697 **(Hertzberg D) Public Utilities Commission Accountability Act of 2015: reports: audits: electrical restructuring: charter-party carriers of passengers.**

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 612, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would adopt the Public Utilities Commission Accountability Act of 2015. The bill would recast certain of the commission's reporting requirements to an article within the Public Utilities Act pertaining to reports by the commission to the Legislature and make other conforming changes. The bill would require the commission to report specified information on a quarterly basis relative to implementation of the California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 698 **(Cannella R) Active Transportation Program: school zone safety projects.**

Status: 5/1/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was E.Q. on 3/19/2015)

Summary: Would continuously appropriate an unspecified amount from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund to the State Highway Account in the State Transportation Fund for purposes of funding school zone safety projects within the Active Transportation Program. This bill contains other existing laws.

SB 716 **(Lara D) Animal cruelty: elephants.**

Status: 10/3/2015-Vetoed by the Governor

Summary: Current law makes it a misdemeanor for any owner or manager of an elephant to engage in abusive behavior toward the elephant, which includes disciplining an elephant by specified methods, including, but not limited to, use of electricity. This bill would, beginning January 1, 2018, expand the scope of these provisions to apply to any person who houses, possesses, or is in direct contact with an elephant and additionally provide that abusive behavior toward the elephant includes the use of a bullhook, ankus, baseball bat, axe handle, pitchfork, or similar device.

SB 723 **(Pavley D) Energy efficiency: United States Armed Forces bases and facilities.**

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on

5/28/2015)

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission, in consultation with the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission and the United States Armed Forces, to authorize a pilot program designed to evaluate the effects of using an alternative baseline energy efficiency methodology at United States Armed Forces bases and facilities. The bill would require electrical and gas corporations, using existing military contracting procedures, to the extent feasible, or new partnership with the federal government, to accomplish the goals of the pilot program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 724 (Berryhill R) California Consumer Power and Conservation Financing Authority.

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was RLS. on 3/19/2015)

Summary: The California Consumer Power and Conservation Financing Authority Act declares the intent of the Legislature in establishing the authority. This bill would make a nonsubstantive revision to that declaration of legislative intent.

SB 728 (Morrell R) California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program.

Status: 5/29/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. on 5/28/2015)

Summary: Would require that the Public Utilities Commission evaluate the benefits and costs to the California economy, including upon low- and middle-income individuals and families and disadvantaged communities, before exercise of its authority to increase the procurement of eligible renewable energy resources in excess of the specified quantities. The bill would require the commission, in performing its evaluation, to conduct duly noticed public workshops throughout the state to allow for public comment and consideration of the economic findings.

SB 730 (Wolk D) Railroads: movement of freight: trains or light engines: crew size.

Status: 9/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 283, Statutes of 2015.

Summary: Would prohibit, on and after February 1, 2016, a train or light engine used in connection with the movement of freight, as specified, from being operated unless it has a crew consisting of at least 2 individuals. The bill would authorize the Public Utilities Commission to assess civil penalties against any person who willfully violates this provision, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 745 (Hueso D) Telecommunications: universal service: California Advanced Services Fund.

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was E. U., & C. on 3/19/2015)

Summary: Current law provides that moneys in the Rural and Urban Regional Broadband Consortia Grant Account are available for grants to eligible consortia to fund the cost of broadband deployment activities other than the capital cost of facilities, as specified by the commission. This bill would specifically include representatives of workforce organizations and air pollution control or air quality management districts amongst the

persons that can be included in an eligible consortium.

SB 765 (Wolk D) Energy: California Market Transformation Administrator.

Status: 8/28/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/26/2015)

Summary: Would require the PUC, in ensuring that prudent investments in energy efficiency are made and produce cost-effective energy savings, reduce customer demand, and support the state's greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals, to contract with an independent entity to serve as the California Market Transformation Administrator (CalMTA). The bill would require the PUC to require the CalMTA to work in concert with other energy efficiency administrators that are carrying out energy efficiency activities under the PUC's oversight to incorporate long-term market transformation strategies into the state's energy efficiency portfolio.

SB 766 (Morrell R) Public Utilities Commission: intervenor fees: customers.

Status: 5/15/2015-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was RLS. on 3/19/2015)

Summary: Current law provides compensation for reasonable advocate's fees, reasonable expert witness fees, and other reasonable costs to public utility customers, as defined, for participation or intervention in any proceeding of the Public Utilities Commission. The public utility that is the subject of the hearing, investigation, or proceeding is required to pay these intervenor fees. Current law requires a customer who intends to seek an award for intervenor fees to timely file and serve on all parties to the proceeding a notice of intent to claim compensation, containing specified information. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the filing requirement.

SB 793 (Wolk D) Green Tariff Shared Renewables Program.

Status: 10/8/2015-Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 587, Statutes of 2015.

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

SB 802 (Committee on Governance and Finance) Emergency telephone user surcharge.

Status: 6/22/2015-June 29 set for first hearing canceled at the request of author.

Summary: Commencing with the calculation made October 1, 2015, existing law requires the Office of Emergency Services to compute the charges applicable to the intrastate portion of prepaid mobile telephony services, as provided. This bill would instead require the office to notify the State Board of Equalization of the emergency telephone user surcharge rate by October 1. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.