South Bay Cities Council of Governments

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TO: SBCCOG Legislative Briefing

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RE: Bills to Monitor and for Action

Adherence to Strategic Plan:

Goal B: Regional Advocacy. Advocate for the interests of the South Bay

AB 78	San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers & Mountains	SUPPORT	12/8/20 from printer
(O'Donnell)	Conservancy: territory: Dominguez Channel watershed & Santa	(12/14/20)	
Co-author -	Catalina Island. Existing law establishes the San Gabriel and Lower Los Angeles Rivers and Mountains Conservancy in the Natural	(Ltr sent 1/4/21)	Proviously supported in last
Gipson	Resources Agency and prescribes the functions and duties of the	(Lu Sent 1/4/21)	Previously supported in last session
Cipcon	conservancy with regard to the protection, preservation, and		
	enhancement of specified areas of the Counties of Los Angeles and		
	Orange located along the San Gabriel River and the lower Los		
	Angeles River and tributaries along those rivers. Existing law, for		
	purposes of those provisions, defines "territory" to mean the territory of the conservancy that consists of those portions of the Counties of		
	Los Angeles and Orange located within the San Gabriel River and		
	its tributaries, the lower Los Angeles River and its tributaries, and		
	the San Gabriel Mountains, as described.		
	This bill would additionally include the Dominguez Channel		
	watershed and Santa Catalina Island, as described, within that definition of territory, and would make various related changes to		
	the boundaries of that territory.		
	This bill would require the conservancy to update the San Gabriel		
	and Lower Los Angeles Parkway and Open Space Plan to include		
	the priorities for conservation and enhanced public use within the		
	Dominguez Channel watershed and Santa Catalina Island.		

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HR 763	Energy Innovation & Carbon Dividend Act. Imposes a fee on the	REQUEST TO	To be re-introduced
(Deutsch)	carbon content of fuels, including crude oil, natural gas, coal, or	CONGRESSM	
	any other product derived from those fuels that will be used so as	AN LIEU TO	Previously supported in last
	to emit greenhouse gases into the atmosphere.	SUPPORT RE-	session
	The fee is imposed on the producers or importers of the fuels and	INTRODUCING	
	is equal to the greenhouse gas content of the fuel multiplied by the	(12/8/20)	
	carbon fee rate. The rate begins at \$15 in 2019, increases by \$10		
	each year, and is subject to further adjustments based on the	(Ltr sent	
	progress in meeting specified emissions reduction targets.	12/22/20)	
	Imposes a specified fee on fluorinated greenhouse gases.		