

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

April 24, 2014

TO: SBCCOG Board of Directors

FROM: Steering Committee

RE: Bills to Monitor and for Action

Adherence to Strategic Plan:

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

AB 1941 & AB 1970 – Added since Steering Committee meeting with request for action

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

AB 1147 (Gomez, Muratsuchi)	Massage Therapy. Revises the qualifications for certification as a massage practitioner and massage therapist, and <i>would require an applicant for a certificate as a massage practitioner to pass a massage and bodywork competency assessment examination that meets generally recognized psychometric principles and standards, and that is approved by the council.</i>	SUPPORT (6/27/13) (Letter sent 2/10/14 to author & SB Senators)	2/6/14 Senate Business, Professions & Economic Development Committee
AB 2216 (Muratsuchi)	Regional occupational centers and programs: funding. Would require a regional occupational center or program established and maintained by local educational agencies or a joint powers authority, as specified, to receive an annual appropriation from the General Fund for purposes of providing high-quality career technical education services. The bill would require the appropriated funds to be apportioned directly to the regional occupational center or program based on a formula agreed upon by the local educational agencies participating in the regional occupational center or program.	RECOMMEND SUPPORT	Assembly Education Committee Hearing Date: 4/30/14

EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

<p>HR 29 (Gomez)</p>	<p>Relative to outsourcing public services. Resolution that the Assembly opposes outsourcing of public services and assets, which harms transparency, accountability, shared prosperity, and competition, and supports processes that give public service works workers the opportunity to develop their own plan on how to deliver cost-effective, high-quality services; and be it further Resolved, That the Assembly urges local officials to become familiar with the provisions of the Taxpayer Empowerment Agenda; and be it further Resolved, That the Assembly intends to introduce and advocate for responsible outsourcing legislation.</p>	<p>RECOMMEND OPPOSE</p>	<p>4/3/14 Adopted Assembly Third Reading</p>
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ENVIRONMENT

<p>AB 1970 (Gordon)</p>	<p>California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: Community Investment and Innovation Program. Requires the Strategic Growth Council (SGC) to establish the Community Investment and Innovation Program (CIIP) to provide grants and other financial assistance to eligible local government recipients for the purposes of developing and implementing greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reduction projects. Requires 25 percent of the moneys appropriated to be set aside for projects that include and specifically benefit environmental justice communities, as defined.</p>	<p>RECOMMEND SUPPORT</p>	<p>Assembly Local Government Committee Hearing Date: 4/23/14 Supported by Local Gov. Commission</p>
<p>AB 2188 (Muratsuchi)</p>	<p>Solar Energy: permits. This bill would require a city or county to process and approve any permit application for a residential rooftop solar energy system of up to 10kW on the same day it has been submitted.</p>	<p>MONITOR</p>	<p>Assembly Local Government Committee Hearing Date: 4/30/14</p>
<p>SB 1122 (Pavley)</p>	<p>Sustainable communities: Strategic Growth Council. Requires the Strategic Growth Council (SCG) to provide financial assistance to develop and implement regional grant programs to support the implementation of sustainable communities' strategies (SCS), alternative transportation plans (ATP), or other regional greenhouse gas reduction plans within a developed area, to be funded from moneys deposited into the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund from the auction revenues derived from</p>	<p>MONITOR</p>	<p>4/8/14 Approved by Senate Environmental Quality Committee, sent to Rules Committee NOTE: LCC monitoring; SCAG supporting</p>

	<p>the cap-and-trade program, upon appropriation by the Legislature. Eligible recipients of grant funding include councils of government, metropolitan planning organizations, regional transportation planning agencies, cities, counties, and joint powers authorities.</p>		
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PUBLIC SAFETY

<p>SB 1262 (Correa)</p>	<p>Medical marijuana: regulation of physicians, dispensaries, and cultivation sites. Would require the State Department of Public Health to license dispensing facilities and cultivation sites that provide, process, and grow marijuana for medical use, as specified, and would make these licenses subject to the restrictions of the local jurisdiction in which the facility operates or proposes to operate. Would require the department to establish standards for quality assurance testing of medical marijuana and would prohibit the use of nonorganic pesticides in any marijuana cultivation site. Would require licensed dispensing facilities and licensed cultivation sites to implement sufficient security measures to both deter and prevent unauthorized entrance into areas containing marijuana and theft of marijuana at those facilities, including establishing limited access areas accessible only to authorized facility personnel, and would require these facilities to notify appropriate law enforcement authorities within 24 hours after discovering specified breaches in security. Would make enforcement of these provisions the responsibility of the county health departments, with oversight by the department. Violation of these provisions would be punishable by a civil fine of up to \$35,000 for each individual violation.</p>	<p>RECOMMEND SUPPORT</p>	<p>Senate Business, Professions & Economic Development Committee Hearing Date: 4/21/14</p>
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TRANSPORTATION

<p>AB 1941 (Holden)</p>	<p>Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority. Would provide changes to the board of directors currently unspecified pertaining to number of public members, appointed the Mayor of the City of LA and an unspecified number of members appointed from other cities in the county.</p>	<p>RECOMMEND OPPOSE</p>	<p>Assembly Local Government Committee Hearing Date: 4/30/14</p>
<p>SB 1298 (Hernandez)</p>	<p>High Occupancy Toll Lanes. Removes the limitations on the number of HOT lanes that the California Transportation Commission may approve and would delete the January 1, 2012 deadline for HOT lane applications. Would also delete the requirement for public hearings on each application.</p>	<p>MONITOR</p>	<p>Senate Transportation and Housing Committee Hearing Date: 4/29/14</p>
<p>HR 2468 (Matsui)</p>	<p>Safe Streets Act of 2013 - Requires each state to have in effect within two years a law, or each state department of transportation and metropolitan planning organization (MPO) an explicit policy statement, that requires all federally-funded transportation projects, with certain exceptions, to accommodate the safety and convenience of all users in accordance with certain complete streets principles. Defines "complete streets principles" as federal, state, local, or regional level transportation laws, policies, or principles which ensure that the safety and convenience of all users of a transportation system, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transit users, children, older individuals, motorists, freight vehicles, and individuals with disabilities, are accommodated in all phases of project planning and development. Allows such law or policy to make project-specific exemptions from such principles only if: (1) affected roadways prohibit specified users by law from using them, the cost of a compliance project would be excessively disproportionate to the need, or the population, employment densities, traffic volumes, or level of transit service around a roadway is so low that the expected roadway users will not include pedestrians, public transportation, freight vehicles, or bicyclists; and (2) all such exemptions are properly</p>	<p>RECOMMEND SUPPORT</p>	<p>6/21/2013 Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.</p>

	<p>approved.</p> <p>Requires the Secretary of Transportation (DOT) to establish a method for evaluating compliance by state departments of transportation and MPOs with complete streets principles.</p> <p>Requires the Access Board to issue final standards for accessibility of new construction and alterations of pedestrian facilities for public rights-of-way.</p> <p>Requires the Secretary to conduct research regarding complete streets to: (1) assist states, MPOs, and local jurisdictions in developing and implementing complete streets-compliant plans, projects, procedures, policies, and training programs; and (2) establish benchmarks for, and provide technical guidance on, implementing complete streets policies and principles.</p>		
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