

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

March 9, 2026

TO: SBCCOG Steering Committee

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RE: Bills to Monitor – Status as of March 2, 2026

NOTE: **BOLD recommendation & status** indicates bill added since last Board meeting

		Position	Bill status
ENVIRONMENT			
SB 868 (Wiener)	Electricity: portable solar generation devices. This bill would exempt a portable solar generation device from all interconnection requirements and prohibit an electrical company/local publicly owned utility from requiring a customer using a portable solar generation device to take specified actions, including among other things, paying any fee related to the device or the electricity the device feeds into a building’s electrical system. The bill would provide that the electrical company/local utility is not liable for any damage or injury caused by the device. This bill would also define what a portable solar energy device is as well as establish mandatory safety standards for those devices.	SUPPORT (2/26/26) LCC: MONITOR	2/11/26 Referred to Senate Committees on Energy, Utilities and Conveyance & Judiciary.
HOUSING			
AB 2002 (Solache)	Local government assistance: Regional Early Action Planning Fund. This bill would establish the Regional Early Action Planning Fund in the State Treasury for the purpose of providing councils of governments, regional entities, and jurisdictions with one-time funding, including grants for planning activities, to enable those entities to meet the 7th and subsequent cycles of the regional housing need assessment. The bill would require the department to allocate funds, upon appropriation by the Legislature, from the Regional Early Action Planning Fund to each council of governments or regional entity responsible for allocating regional housing need that applies and qualifies for those moneys, as	RECOMMEND SUPPORT LCC: PENDING	2/18/26 In Assembly. May be heard in committee March 20.

	specified. The bill would authorize a council of governments or regional entity to expend funds awarded for certain purposes, including for activities that support the development, improvement, or implementation of the methodology for the 7th and subsequent regional housing needs assessment cycles, and for providing jurisdictions with technical assistance, planning, temporary staffing, or consultant needs associated with updating local planning and zoning documents, as provided.		
SB 677 (Wiener)	Housing development: transit-oriented development. This bill would limit a local government’s ability to impose objective standards on SB 9 projects with 1,750 net habitable square feet in the floor area. It would also eliminate local agencies’ ability to provide setback requirements, height limits, lot coverage limits, floor area ratios, or any other standard that would limit development capacity for these projects. Finally, this measure would prohibit local governments from collecting impact fees for projects less than 1,750 square feet.	RECOMMEND OPPOSE LCC: OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED	1/26/26 In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk.
SB 799 (Allen)	Joint powers authorities: South Bay Regional Housing Trust. This bill makes minor revisions to the South Bay Regional Housing Trust formation legislation, most notably the allowance for non-elected alternate board members. Non-elected alternate board members would be limited to serving as the voting delegate from a city to no more than 75% of meetings in a calendar year. Additional amendments are planned that would allow the trust to fund workforce/moderate-income housing programs.	SUPPORT (1/12/26) (letter sent 1/12/26) LCC: MONITOR	1/26/2026 In Assembly. Read first time. Held at Desk. SBCCOG is sponsoring this bill.
SB 908 (Wiener)	Housing development: transit-oriented development. This bill states the intent of the Legislature to enact subsequent legislation that would make technical and clarifying changes to those laws governing transit-oriented development, and to add a select set of San Francisco Bay area ferry terminals to the scope of those provisions.	MONITOR LCC: SEEKING AMENDMENTS	2/11/26 Referred to Senate Committee on Rules.

REVENUE & TAXATION			
AB 1768 (Bryan)	Transactions and use taxes: County of Los Angeles. This bill would authorize the County of Los Angeles, until December 31, 2031, to exceed the 2% sales tax limit for any county set by the Transactions and Use Tax Law.	OPPOSE (2/26/26) LCC: MONITOR	2/23/26 Referred to Assembly Committees on Local Government and Revenue & Taxation.
TRANSPORTATION			
AB 1421 (Wilson)	Vehicles: Road Usage Charge Technical Advisory Committee. This bill would require the California Transportation Commission, in consultation with the State Transportation Agency, to consolidate and prepare research and recommendations related to a road user charge or a mileage-based fee system as an alternative to the gas tax system. A report to the legislature would be required by no later than January 1, 2027.	RECOMMEND SUPPORT LCC: SUPPORT	1/29/26 In Senate. Read first time. To Committee on Rules for assignment.
AB 1557 (Papan)	Vehicles: electric bicycles. This bill would clarify existing e-bike law to specifically state an electric bicycle is a bicycle equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor not capable of exceeding 750 watts of peak power.	SUPPORT (2/26/26) LCC: MONITOR	2/2/26 Referred to Assembly Committee on Transportation.
AB 1942 (Bauer-Kahan)	Electric bicycles: registration and special license plates. This bill would require class 2 and class 3 e-bikes to be registered with the DMV and to display a special license plate to be issued by the DMV.	RECOMMEND SUPPORT LCC: MONITOR	2/14/26 In Assembly. May be heard in committee March 16.
AB 2059 (Wilson)	Suisun Marsh Preservation Act of 1977. The Suisun Marsh Preservation Act of 1977 requires the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission to have primary state responsibility for the implementation of the act, including the issuance of marsh development permits, as specified. This bill would make non-substantive changes to the provision of law that names the act.	MONITOR LCC: MONITOR	2/19/26 In Assembly. May be heard in committee March 21. Note: this bill is rumored to be a spot bill that will be amended to lessen the review of transportation impacts in CEQA.
SB 1087 (Cabaldon)	Transportation planning: sustainable communities strategies: Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program: local planning grants. Current law requires certain transportation planning	RECOMMEND SUPPORT	2/26/26

	<p>agencies to prepare and adopt every 4 years, except as provided, regional transportation plans directed at achieving a coordinated and balanced regional transportation system. Current law requires a regional transportation plan to include a policy element, a sustainable communities strategy prepared by a metropolitan planning organization, an action element, and a financial element, as provided. This bill would instead require, on and after January 1, 2027, every 2nd regional transportation plan prepared and adopted by those transportation planning agencies to include a sustainable communities strategy prepared by a metropolitan planning organization.</p>	<p>LCC: MONITOR</p>	<p>Referred to Senate Committees on Environmental Quality and Transportation.</p>
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2026 State Legislative Calendar

- March 26 – Spring Recess begins upon adjournment.
- April 6 – Legislature reconvenes from Spring Recess
- April 24 – Last day for policy committees to hear and report to fiscal committees fiscal bills introduced in their house.
- May 1 – Last day for policy committees to hear and report to the Floor nonfiscal bills introduced in their house.
- May 8 – Last day for policy committees to meet prior to June 1.
- May 15 – Last day for fiscal committees to hear and report to the Floor bills introduced in their house. Last day for fiscal committees to meet prior to June 1.
- May 26-29 – Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house.
- June 1 – Committee meetings may resume.
- June 15 – Budget Bill must be passed by midnight.
- June 25 – Last day for a legislative measure to qualify for the Nov. 3 General Election ballot.
- July 2 – Last day for policy committees to meet and report bills. Summer Recess begins upon adjournment, provided Budget Bill has been passed.
- August 3 – Legislature reconvenes from Summer Recess.
- August 14 – Last day for fiscal committees to meet and report bills.
- August 17-31 – Floor Session only. No committee may meet for any purpose except Rules Committee, bills referred pursuant to Assembly Rule 77.2, and Conference Committees.
- August 21 – Last day to amend bills on the Floor.
- August 31 – Last day for each house to pass bills. Final Recess begins upon adjournment.
- September 30 – Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature on or before September 1 and in the Governor's possession after September 1.

- October 2 – Bills enacted on or before this date take effect January 1, 2027.
- November 3 – General Election.
- December 7 – 2027-2028 Regular Session convenes for Organizational Session at 12pm.