

**ALAMEDA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS'
PERSONNEL/ADMINISTRATION/LEGISLATION
COMMITTEE**

Monday, February 24, 2020
1:30 p.m.

Supervisor Keith Carson, Chair
Supervisor Wilma Chan

Location: *Board of Supervisors Chambers – Room 512 5th floor*
County Administration Building
1221 Oak Street, Oakland, CA 94612

Summary/Action Minutes

I. Federal Legislative Update – CJ Lake

Budget and Appropriations

The President's budget request was submitted to Congress on February 10, 2020. That submission effectively began the FY21 budget and appropriations process. Both the House and Senate are starting to hold hearings on the request this week with markups in the House slated to begin in late April.

Public Charge

The Trump Administration's public charge rule took effect nationwide today. The Supreme Court voted 5-4 on Friday to remove the final order blocking the rule, while legal challenges continue to make their way through the courts. The new rule allows the government to deny green cards to immigrants who are deemed likely to use Medicaid, food stamps, and other safety net programs at any point during their time in the United States.

Emergency Coronavirus Funding

The White House plans to ask Congress for emergency supplemental funds as early as this week to fight the coronavirus. Earlier this month, HHS Secretary Azar stated that the agency may need to shift as much as \$136 million from other accounts that have already been appropriated to fight the virus. House appropriators have been pushing for additional funding since the beginning of February and will likely press Secretary Azar at the budget hearing later this week. Recently, both Republican and Democrat Members have sent letters to Secretary Azar asking that the federal government establish guidelines for reimbursement for costs incurred in dealing with the virus. At the same time, public health groups, including National Association of County and City Health officials, sent a letter to Secretary Azar recommending that emergency funding be sent directly to the CDC so it could quickly get down to state and local communities for assistance with quarantine support, screening and testing, public awareness campaigns and personal protective gear like face masks, among other things.

BUILD Notice of Funding Opportunity

The Department of Transportation released the FY20 BUILD Notice of Funding Opportunity. It provides \$1 billion for BUILD transportation grants for capital investments in surface transportation infrastructure, a \$100 million increase over FY19. Applications must be submitted by 5:00pm on May 18, 2020. A PDF containing the notice in its entirety will be included in the notes following the call.

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- Report progress
- Advocacy or Education
- Request PAL Committee Recommendation or Position
- Other: Federal Update**

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

II. State Legislative Update – Political Solutions

Friday, February 21, 2020, was the last day to introduce bills for the 2020 Legislative Session. Last week, during the final week for introductions, 1,450 new bills were proposed; with 735 introduced on the final day. The total number of bills introduced this Session was 2,203. The PS team continues to review newly introduced bills and will work with your staff to determine their impacts to the County and how they support or impact the 10x goals and Vision 2026.

Tuesday, February 25, 2020 Assembly Judiciary Committee and Assembly Budget Subcommittee 5 will hold a joint informational hearing on “How Can California Improve Access to Justice for Underrepresented Litigants?”

Assembly Human Services and Assembly Housing and Community Development Committee will hold a joint informational hearing on “Homelessness Among California’s Youth: Addressing Critical Needs Through Prevention and Early Intervention.”

Assembly Health Committee will hold an informational hearing on “Cost Containment: Considerations for California.”

Wednesday, February 26, 2020, Senate Governance and Finance, Senate Housing, Assembly Local Government, and Assembly Housing and Community Development Committees will hold a joint informational hearing on “The Price of Civilization: Benefits and Costs of Impact Fees on Housing in California.”

The Joint Legislative Audit Committee will hear a Members’ audit request related to Alameda, Fresno, and Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Offices; specifically related to the Realignment Fund Spending. This was requested by Assemblymember Kamlager.

The Senate Health Committee and the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee 3 will hold a joint informational hearing on “Medi-Cal: Oversight of Managed Care Plan Responsibilities and Medi-Cal Healthier California for All Proposal.”

The Assembly Budget Subcommittee 3 will hold an informational hearing on the “Governor’s Proposed Climate Budget.”

Thursday, February 27, 2020 The Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee will hold an informational hearing on “Housing and Homelessness.”

On Friday, February 21, 2020, Assemblymember Bonta introduced AB 3118 – Medically supportive food and nutrition services. We continue to work with your delegation on both the legislative priorities set forth by the Board as well as the budget requests.

Governor Gavin Newsom

The Governor delivered his State of the State Address on February 19, 2020. The focus was on homelessness and the Medi-Cal: Healthier California for All (formally CalAIM).

Governor Newsom is currently touring the state and meeting with stakeholders including local government officials to see how they can work collaboratively to address the many needs of the homelessness community, with the goal of eradicating the problem. The Governor is also working towards a redirection of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) dollars. He is also hopeful that he can reduce the mandate that each county has a 33% reserve.

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Request for Legislation position – Action Item

i. **[Medi-Cal Healthier California for All \(MCHCA\) Proposal](#)**

Recommendation: Support with recommended amendments: Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency

ii. **[Amend Penal Code 830.5](#)**

Recommendation: Support: Wendy Still, Chief Probation Officer, Probation Department

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Recommendation from PAL Committee: Support. Move to the full Board of Supervisors.

A. Informational Item

i. **[Budget Request for California Environmental Contaminant Biomonitoring Program](#)**

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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