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

Monday, June 24, 2019 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

Border Supplemental

Last Wednesday the Senate Appropriations Committee approved a \$4.6 billion border supplemental deal, by a vote of 30-1. The bill contains no funding for the border wall or for immigration enforcement, and includes restrictions aimed at blocking any efforts to repurpose the bills funds for those purposes. House Democrats released their own \$4.5 billion package Friday morning. The main difference between the House and Senate versions is that the House bill omits \$145 million for the Army, Marine Corps, Air Force and Army National Guard. Both chambers are expected to pass their bills this week, with hopes to conference and approve a final version before lawmakers leave Thursday for July Fourth recess.

FY2020 Appropriations

Last Tuesday, the House passed the first FY20 minibus (HR 2740), a 1 trillion dollar package that includes Labor-HHS-Education, Defense, State and Foreign Operations, and Energy and Water Development. The House has now begun consideration of the second minibus (H.R. 3055), a \$383 billion package containing Commerce-Justice-Science, Agriculture and FDA, Interior and Environment, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and T-HUD funding. House leadership plans to finish consideration of the second minibus this week.

The House plans to vote this week on the Financial Services appropriations bill (H.R. 3351) and may take up the Legislative Branch appropriations bill (H.R. 2779). That just leaves the Homeland Security bill, which will most likely be taken up after July Fourth recess.

The Senate has yet to begin working on its spending bills, however, as negotiators have not reached a deal on budget caps. Congressional leadership met with the White House last Wednesday on a budget caps deal; no agreement was reached, but after the meeting Senate Appropriations Chairman Richard Shelby said they are "close."

Citizenship Question on Census

The Supreme Court has yet to rule on the citizenship question on the 2020 Census. The case challenging the question is one of the final 8 merits cases to be decided this term, which ends this week. The Court will next announce decisions on Wednesday, June 26, and may issue additional decisions on Thursday, June 27.

In a separate challenge to the citizenship question, the trial court in Maryland granted a motion last week to review new information related to possible racial motivation behind the question on the Census, while the case is currently on appeal to the 4th Circuit Court of Appeals. Even if the Supreme Court permits the citizenship question to be included, based on the specific questions presented in that case, the lower courts could still block the question on other grounds, even after the Census Bureau began printing the forms next week.

The Census Bureau issued a new report today indicating that including the citizenship question could result in an increase in the non-response rate of 8%. They had previously estimated the effect at 5.8%, raising additional concerns of a widespread undercount if the question is included in the Census next year.

Purpose:

Report	progress

Advocacy or Education

Request PAL_Committee Recommendation or Position

Other: Federal Update

Request for Legislation position – Action Item

i. H.R. 3222 (Chu) No Federal Funds for Public Charge Act

Recommendation: Support: Lori A. Cox, Director, Social Services Agency, Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency, Wilma Chan, Board of Supervisors, District 3 and Keith Carson, Board of Supervisors, District 5

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

II. State Legislative Update – Political Solutions

Week in Review at the Capitol

The Legislature continues to work on the budget trailer bills, there were a few more released over the weekend and today related to water, health, education and cannabis. The full budget committees in each house met at noon today to vote this package to the floor. The main budget bill, AB 74 (Ting) went to the Governor last week but has yet to be signed.

The policy deadline for all of the policy bill is July 12, 2019, for them to be in the Appropriations committees or on the floor, it is an accelerated timeframe from their house of origin.

Governor Gavin Newsom

This week, along with the continuing budget negotiations, Governor Newsom issued a statement on Friday in response to President Trump's proposed plans to deport undocumented immigrants, including asylum seekers. "The President's proposed raids are cruel, misdirected and are creating unnecessary fear and anxiety. I want Californians to know they have legal rights and protections, regardless of their immigration status. California is a place of refuge – that includes our schools, our courts and our hospitals and clinics. We hold certain institutions sacred and people should continue to access programs and services they need."

County Sponsored Legislation

AB 944 (Quirk) CalWORKS: sponsored noncitizen: indigence exception.

County co-sponsored bill, AB 944 (Quirk) with the Western Center on Law and Poverty, was referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee. The bill passed the Senate Human Services Committee on June 10, 2019 5-0 and will now be heard in the Senate Appropriations Committee.

AB 143 (Quirk-Silva) Emergency Shelter Housing.

County co-sponsored bill, AB 143, was heard on May 1, 2019, in the Assembly Appropriations Committee, on the consent calendar. The author agreed to amend the bill when it gets to the Senate if we are not able to get the language in the budget related to the reporting requirements. The bill has been double referred to Senate Housing Committee and Senate Environmental Quality Committee, the bill was heard on Wednesday, June 18, 2019 and got out of committee 7-0 and will now be heard in the Senate Appropriations committee.

The Political Solutions team continues to work with Assemblymember Eggman's office on identifying a legislative vehicle related to the Valley-Link issue (amendment to AB 758) in concert with Supervisor Haggerty's staff.

Further, the Political Solutions team is coordinating with Supervisor Chan's staff on identifying a member of the Alameda County delegation to author legislation related to increasing the sales tax cap.

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Request for Legislation position – Action Items

i. <u>AB 656</u> (E. Garcia) Office of Health and Safe Communities *Recommendation: Support:* Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency

ii. AB 857 (Chiu) Public Banks

Recommendation: Support: Keith Carson, Board of Supervisors, District 5

iii. AB 960 (Maienschein) CalWORKs Homeless Assistance

Recommendation: Support: Lori A. Cox, Director, Social Services Agency

iv. AB 1088 (Wood) Medi-Cal eligibility

Recommendation: Support: Lori A. Cox, Director, Social Services Agency

v. <u>AB 1436</u> (Stone) CalWORKs: eligibility: income exemptions

Recommendation: Support: Lori A. Cox, Director, Social Services Agency

vi. AB 1482 (Chiu) Tenancy: rent caps

Recommendation: Support: Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency and Chris Bazar, Director, Community Development Agency

vii. <u>ACA 1</u> (Aguiar-Curry) Local government financing: affordable housing and public infrastructure: voter approval

Recommendation: Support: Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency and Chris Bazar, Director, Community Development Agency

viii. SB 39 (Hill) Tobacco products

Recommendation: Support: Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency

ix. <u>SB 160</u> (Jackson) Emergency services: cultural competence *Recommendation: Support:* Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency

x. <u>SB 329</u> (Mitchell) Discrimination: housing: source of income

Recommendation: Support: Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency and Chris Bazar, Director, Community Development Agency

xi. SB 409 (Wilk) Illegal dumping

Recommendation: Support: Nate Miley, Board of Supervisors, District 4

xii. <u>SB 464</u> (Mitchell) California Dignity in Pregnancy and Childbirth Act *Recommendation: Support:* Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency

xiii.SB 665 (Umberg) Mental Health Services Fund: jails

Recommendation: Support if amended: Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency

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Informational items

i. SB 276 (Pan) Immunizations: medical exemptions – testimony in support at June 20th Assembly Health Committee hearing by Dr. Erica Pan, Interim County Health Officer

PUBLIC COMMENT None.

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