I. Federal Legislative Update – CJ Lake

The House and Senate remain adjourned until the Presidential and Congressional elections take place. Congress will return for a Lame Duck session during the week of November 14.

Lame Duck Session

The only must-pass legislation and key priority during the Lame Duck session will be passing an omnibus appropriations bill that will fund the federal government through FY17. Other items that may be considered during the Lame Duck session include, the Water Resources Development Act, criminal justice reform, mental health reform, and a reauthorization of child nutrition programs.

House and Senate conferees will also try to complete negotiations on a defense authorization bill to set military policy and spending priorities through September 2017.

Purpose:
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☐ Advocacy or Education
☐ Request PAL Committee Recommendation or Position
☒ Other: Federal legislative update

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

II. State Legislative Update – Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck

On Wednesday, Governor Brown, along with former Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger, Senate President pro Tem Kevin de León, Senator Fran Pavley, and Assembly Speaker Emeritus Fabian Núñez commemorated the 10th anniversary of the signing of the Global Warming Solutions Act (AB 32). AB 32, the first in the nation, set in statute goals to reduce California’s greenhouse gas emissions. Building on AB 32, last month Governor Brown signed SB 32 into law, setting new greenhouse gas emission reduction targets of 40% below 1990 levels by 2030.

2016 General Election

Californians are registering to vote by the October 24th deadline. The California Secretary of State’s office reported that there are more than 18 million people registered to vote – the most in the state’s history.
The Presidential ticket will be driving a lot of people to the polls, but there is also a US Senate race, State Senate and State Assembly races to be decided in addition to the 17 initiatives on the ballot. Half of the 40 Senate seats and all 80 Assembly seats are up for election on November 8th.

There are a total of 6 legislative districts, 2 Senate and 4 Assembly, on the November ballot to elect Legislators that represent all or a portion of Alameda County – all but one of the districts have incumbents running for re-election.

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