

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

Monday, March 11, 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

The House and Senate are in session this week. The House will vote on several non-controversial bills being considered under suspension of the rules. The Senate will focus on nominations and will vote on the resolution of disapproval related to President Trump's emergency declaration. The President also released an abbreviated budget request today for fiscal year 2020.

FY20 Budget Request

The President's budget request, "A Budget for a Better America: Promises Kept. Taxpayers First," was released earlier today. However, the Administration will not release much of the details supporting its proposals until next week. The budget request calls for increases in funding for the Department of Defense, \$8.6 billion in border fencing, and a five percent cut to domestic discretionary spending from the FY19 levels. The plan would balance the budget in 15 years, rather than 10 years.

The President's budget request sets the tone for the administration's top policy priorities, although there is little expectation that the proposed funding shifts or program cuts will be included in the FY20 appropriations bills. Still, the Budget can be considered a blueprint to Congress for appropriations purposes and to agencies for policy and grant-awarding purposes as to the Administration's priorities and preferences.

Hearings

Tuesday, March 12

- House Education and Labor Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services Hearing: "Growing a Healthy Next Generation: Examining Federal Child Nutrition Programs"
- House Committee on the Budget Hearing: "The President's 2020 Budget"
- House Energy and Commerce Committee Hearing: "The Fiscal Year 2020 HHS Budget"

Wednesday, March 13

- House Committee on the Judiciary Markup: H.R. 1585, the "Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2019"
- House Appropriations Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Hearing: Gun Violence Prevention and Enforcement

Thursday, March 14

- Senate Finance Committee Hearing on the FY20 Budget
- Senate Finance Committee Hearing on the FY20 HHS Budget

Purpose:

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

Request for Legislation Position – Action Item

- i. [Comment letter opposing federal Notice of Proposed Rule Making \(NPRM\) regarding SNAP and able-bodied adults without kids proposed regulation changes](#)
Recommendation: Support: Lori A. Cox, Director, Social Services Agency

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

II. State Legislative Update – Political Solutions

Budget

The Assembly and Senate Budget Sub-Committees began to meet last week. The Assembly Budget Sub-Committee #1 on Health and Human Services will hold a hearing on mental health issues today at 2:30 pm. The focus of the hearing is the Mental Health Oversight and Accountability Commission and how counties are using funds. The Subcommittee has invited Mayor Steinberg to speak to the Subcommittee on his observations and conclusions about the implementation, impacts, and effectiveness of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) (a.k.a. “Proposition 63”), a tax on millionaires in California passed by voters in 2004, for the purpose of raising revenue to address unmet mental health needs in California.

The Senate Budget Sub-Committee #3 on Health and Human Services has scheduled a hearing for March 14th and it will focus on the Department of Aging, IHSS, SSI/SSP and Adult Protective Services. The agenda has not been released as of this update.

Policy Committees

Policy committees have begun meeting this week and are hearing bills. Many informational hearings were held over the last few weeks and they will now move into the bills that were introduced by February 22, 2019.

There have been two (2) Alameda County sponsored bills introduced. The first one is AB 944 by Assembly Member Bill Quirk (D-Hayward) related to CalWorks and Immigration. The second bill is AB 1745 by Assembly Member Kalra (D-San Jose) related to the Emergency Shelter Housing Crisis.

Housing Planning and Production Grants Draft Trailer Bill Language

Today Governor Newsom announced a major legislative proposal as part of his \$1.75 billion package to confront the housing crisis in the State. The proposal would establish higher short-term goals for housing that counties and cities must meet. In addition, it would provide \$750 million to support jurisdictions plan and zone to meet these higher housing targets. The plan also calls for modernizing the RHNA process and methodology to better reflect regional housing and transportation needs.

Governor Newsom

Governor Newsom and the First Partner are very actively engaging in the community on issues of importance such as childhood literacy, women's history month, education issues related to charter school accountability, and border security and the declared national emergency and the effects it is having on local communities, among others.

Appointments

Governor Newsom appointed Mark Ghaly of South Pasadena, as Health and Human Services Secretary. He has served as Director of Health and Social Impact for Los Angeles County since 2018. He was Deputy Director of the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services overseeing community health and integrated programs from 2011 to 2018 and medical director for the Southeast Health Center, a San Francisco Department of Public Health clinic, from 2006 to 2011. Dr. Ghaly earned a Doctor of Medicine degree from Harvard Medical School and a Master of Public Health degree in health policy from the Harvard School of Public Health.

Key Dates/Deadlines

- March 13, 2019 – Assembly Deadline by which to have substantive language for spot bills turned into Assembly Rules Committee
- April 11, 2019 – Spring Recess begins
- April 22, 2019 – Legislature returns from Spring Recess
- May 10, 2019 – May Revise released
- May 10, 2019 – Policy committee deadline
- May 31, 2019 – House of Origin deadline
- June 15, 2019 – Budget must be passed by midnight

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Request for Legislation position – Action Items

- [ACR 1](#) (Bonta) Relative to the Immigration and Nationality Act**
Recommendation: Support: Wilma Chan, Board of Supervisors, District 3, Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency and Lori A. Cox, Director, Social Services Agency
- [AB 229](#) (Nazarian) In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS): written content translation**
Recommendation: Support: Lori A. Cox, Director, Social Services Agency
- [SB 10](#) (Beall) Mental health services: peer, parent, transition-age and family support specialist certification**
Recommendation: Support: Colleen Chawla, Director, Health Care Services Agency
- [Budget request for State funding of \\$5.75 million for Adult Protective Services, Public Administrators/Guardians/Conservators staff training](#)**
Recommendation: Support: Lori A. Cox, Director, Social Services Agency

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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