



HEALTH CARE

Health Care Agenda February 3, 2012

1. **Welcome and Self Introductions**
2. **The Health Care Industry's Myriad of Challenges**

Changes in the health care industry are moving at a high rate of speed. Whether it's implementation of health policy, coverage, care coordination, rates, the Affordable Care Act, regulations, prevention, fees, taxes, etc. there are many challenges in this issue area. This brings to mind two questions: 1). Are we on track to meet demands in the industry and; 2). How will the Chamber position itself as a facilitator and/or advocate for the multitude of interests for those who are members of this council? As staff, it is my hope to work through our Council Chair and Co-Chairs as well as seek input from members on a concrete direction that will return tangible and measurable results.

Special Guest

Duane Dauner, President/CEO California Hospital Association

3. **Discussion Item**
4. **Upcoming Events**

Access Washington DC: Los Angeles on the Hill-March 5th-7th

- Early bird registration ends February 3, 2012
- Access Sacramento May 22nd and 23rd

5. **2012 Health Care meeting dates (1st Friday 9-10:30 am)**

February 3 rd	April 6 th
June 12 th	July 10 th
September 7 th	November 13 th



Los Angeles Area
Chamber of Commerce

C. Duane Dauner
President/CEO
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C. Duane Dauner was appointed President and CEO of the California Hospital Association (CHA) in 1985. CHA is devoted to statewide representation and advocacy for California hospitals. CHA is one of the nation's largest state health care associations, representing more than 400 hospitals and health systems. Mr. Dauner has been active in national hospital and health care issues, serving on numerous American Hospital Association and American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE) boards and committees. He has authored numerous articles and a book; is a nationally known leader on health issues; and has lectured at several California university graduate programs. In 2002, Mr. Dauner received ACHE's highest honor, the Gold Medal Award, and he has been honored by the Partners in Care Foundation, National Health Foundation, UCLA and Health Care Executives of Southern California.

Mr. Dauner was an assistant professor at Washburn University of Topeka, Kansas, prior to beginning his hospital association career at the Kansas Hospital Association in 1966. In 1975, he became President and CEO of the Missouri Hospital Association. Mr. Dauner holds bachelor and master's degrees from Wichita State University. He and his wife, Diane, reside in Sacramento, California.



California Health Care Reform Guiding Principles



The current health care reform debate is essential to the future of our state. It must translate into real, comprehensive reform that preserves what works in the current system and sets a framework to eliminate its very serious shortcomings. The following principles have been developed to articulate the L.A. Area Chamber's view on this issue and will be used to assess the viability of proposals that emerge from the debate.

- 1 All California residents regardless of immigration status must have access to affordable health insurance coverage and quality health care.
- 2 All stakeholders in the health care system including government, health plans, pharmaceutical companies, individuals, health care organizations, providers, employees and employers must contribute their fair share of the financing needed to provide coverage to all Californians.
- 3 Incentives to purchase or provide coverage must be created for all stakeholders. A win-win foundation will result in a model system of health care for our state.
- 4 The state must work to minimize the costly overlap that currently exists in health care coverage through workers compensation, auto, disability and health insurance.
- 5 Employers, employees, individuals and providers should have a reasonable choice of health plans and delivery systems. A single-payer system is not the answer.
- 6 At a minimum, insurance plan benefits must contain a basic or core set of benefits that provide an adequate level of coverage including preventive care, medically necessary physician services, hospital care and prescription drugs. Additional benefits should be permitted at an additional cost to the purchaser.
- 7 An appropriate mechanism must be established to assure an adequate benefits package, at a reasonable cost, is available to all Californians regardless of their financial or medical status through commercial insurance or government programs.
- 8 Provider payments and other funding sources must be sufficient to support the provision of quality health care, including the ability to adopt new technology, drugs, procedures and evolving standards of practice.
- 9 Government funded programs, such as Medicare, Medi-Cal and Healthy Families, must be adequately financed to ensure that the public and private health care safety net is preserved and to eliminate the cost-shift burden onto commercial insurance and other private health care purchasers.
- 10 Health plan and governmental contracting processes should be based upon quality, service, efficiency, and efficacy, and not on avoiding the high cost or high risk of individuals or groups, such as through the use of pre-existing condition exclusions or limitations.
- 11 Government and private health plan products and contracting practices must adequately fund programs associated with the public good, such as medical education and research; caring for the underserved; the provision of complex, costly medical services and those services not otherwise readily available in the community.
- 12 Employers, employees, individuals and government purchasers of health insurance must have access to accurate, reliable, culturally competent and meaningful information on health plans and health care providers to facilitate informed choices.
- 13 All purchasers of health insurance including large employers, small employers and individuals should be allowed to utilize purchasing cooperatives (pooling) to obtain health insurance coverage.
- 14 Stakeholders must advance the use of information technology to improve the quality of care, to reduce the risk of errors, and to expand the availability and interoperability of patient health care information.
- 15 All Californians should be incentivized to participate in healthy and fit lifestyles through programs and policies beginning with our public schools that promote physical fitness and good nutrition.
- 16 In order to achieve improved quality and cost effectiveness, hospitals and health plans must be able to demonstrate that an appropriate level of resources are dedicated to patient care and to clinical, organizational and administrative efficiency improvements.
- 17 No proposal at the state level will have fiscal credibility if it lacks the active cooperation of the federal government.
- 18 Interests of all stakeholders must be aligned to promote collaboration and best practices by everyone in the health care continuum.



Federal Health Care Reform Statement of Principles

Reforming the nation's health care system is critical to the long-term economic health and well-being of the United States. The Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce supports the following principles for comprehensive health care reform which embraces a market-based system focused on universal access, shared responsibility, wellness and prevention, and modernized health care delivery.

Ensure Portable & Universal Access

- ▶ All U.S. residents must have access to affordable, quality health care coverage.
- ▶ Individuals' access to health care coverage should be portable and not dependent on employment status or location.
- ▶ An adequate package of health care coverage, at a reasonable cost, should be available to all U.S. residents regardless of their financial or medical status through commercial insurance or government programs.

Focus on Wellness & Prevention

- ▶ Incentivize healthy and fit lifestyles to help reduce costs and increase wellness. Programs and policies should promote physical fitness and good nutrition as well as better education about disease prevention and health literacy, especially among historically underserved populations.

Strengthen the Market-Based System

- ▶ Create strong market incentives to purchase and provide health care coverage that will not disproportionately impact any single constituency.
- ▶ All purchasers, regardless of size, should be allowed to utilize purchasing cooperatives (pooling) to obtain health care coverage.
- ▶ Facilitate informed choices and personal responsibility by ensuring that consumers have access to accurate, reliable, culturally competent and consumer-oriented cost and quality health care information.
- ▶ Provide consumers with a reasonable choice among insurers, coverages and providers across all geographic boundaries.
- ▶ Special care must be also made regarding ERISA preemption necessary to enable national employers to have universal health plan features.

Promote Shared Responsibility

- ▶ All stakeholders in the health care continuum must contribute their fair share of the financing necessary to provide universal coverage, including that all U.S. residents must assume personal responsibility via an individual mandate for obtaining health coverage through available private or public programs.
- ▶ Government funded programs, such as Medicare, Medicaid and CHIP, must be adequately financed to eliminate the cost-shift burden onto the private sector.
- ▶ Adequately fund programs associated with the public good, such as medical education and research; caring for the underserved; the provision of complex, costly medical services; and those services not otherwise readily available in the community.
- ▶ Federal reform proposals must achieve active cooperation at all levels of government in order to address state/local needs. Minimize the costly overlap that currently exists between federal and state/local government mandates, programs and requirements.

Modernize Health Care Delivery

- ▶ Advance the use of information technology to improve efficiency and access to care, reduce medical errors and expand the interoperability of health records. This includes e-health records and telemedicine. Privacy rights must be ensured and balanced while recognizing the medical benefits of greater information sharing.
- ▶ Ensure an adequate clinical workforce through strengthened support for vital programs such as the National Health Service Corps (NHSC), and Titles VII and VIII Health Professions Training programs including Area Health Education Centers (AHECs).
- ▶ Incentivize providers to focus on quality outcomes rather than quantity of procedures.

BILL NO.	ISSUE	AUTHOR	POSITION	SYNOPSIS	NOTES
AB 18	Linked Learning high school pilot program	Brownley (D)	Support	This bill requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI) to make statutory and regulatory changes recommendations that would modify the format and requirements of education funding.	Letter written in support of the bill on 3/9. <u>6/1</u> : Passed Assembly 74-2. To Senate. <u>6/08</u> : in Senate Committee on Education. 7/5: In Senate. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Education. Two year bill.
AB 29	Office of Economic Development	Perez J. (D)	Support	This bill creates the Office of Economic Development: location consultants who will help encourage business investment and expansion in California. It moves the Office of Small Business Advocate to the Office of Economic Development.	Letter written in support of the bill in January. <u>5/31</u> : Passed Assembly 76-2. To Senate. <u>7/5</u> : Amended and re-referred to Committee on Appropriations. <u>9/7</u> : In Senate. Passed 31-3. To Assembly for concurrence. <u>9/8</u> : Assembly concurred in Senate amendments 72-6. <u>9/16</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/20</u> : To Governor. 10/5: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 475
AB 52	Fees on Health Insurers	Feuer (D)	Oppose	This bill requires health insurers to file a rate application with the Department of Insurance for any proposed rate or rate change.	Letter written in opposition to the bill on 7/27. <u>6/2</u> : Passed Assembly 45-38. To Senate. 9/1: In Senate. From third reading. To Inactive File.
AB 130	Financial Aid for Undocumented Immigrants	Cedillo (D)	Support	This bill allows students on a path to citizenship to receive state financial aid to attend California universities and community colleges. It supports student access to our higher education system and increase our educated workforce population to rebuild and sustain our economy .	<u>5/5</u> : Passed Assembly 51-22. To Senate. <u>7/14</u> : Passed Senate 26-11. <u>7/18</u> : Enrolled. <u>7/20</u> : To governor. 7/25: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 93.

AB 134	Exemptions from the water right approval process at the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB).	Dickinson (D)	Oppose	This bill grants exemptions from the traditional water right approval process at the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) in order for the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District (SRCSD) to market the sale of its effluent outside of its service area.	Public agencies and business coalition letter written in opposition to the bill in March. <u>5/26</u> : Passed Assembly 42-23. To Senate. <u>8/18</u> : In Senate, passed 28-10. To enrollment. <u>8/22</u> : Enrolled. <u>8/24</u> : To Governor. 9/6: Signed by Governor and chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 212.
AB 135	Air Resources Board	Hagman (R)	Support	This bill creates a requirement for one member of the state's Air Resources Board to be a current owner of a small business and have had experience with a small business for ten years.	Letter written in support of the bill on 2/28. <u>5/12</u> : Passed Assembly 71-0. To Senate. <u>7/1</u> : Amended in Senate and Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations. <u>8/30</u> : Passed Senate 25-6. To Assembly for concurrence. <u>9/2</u> : Assembly concurred in Senate amendments 72-2. <u>9/8</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/16</u> : To Governor. 9/26: Vetoed by Governor.
AB 153	Statutory Budget Reforms	Skinner (D)	Support	This bill amends the Sale and Use Tax Law's definition of a retailer engaged in business in this state.	<u>6/1</u> : Passed Assembly 50-21. To Senate. <u>6/27</u> : From Senate Committee on Governance and Finance with author's amendments. 6/27: In Senate. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Governance and Finance. Two year bill.
AB 155	Statutory Budget Reforms	Calderon (D)	Support	This bill amends the Sales and Use Tax laws relating to the collection of those taxes by retailers that enter into agreements for a commission for referring potential purchasers by an Internet-based link or an Internet Web site, or otherwise.	<u>5/31</u> : Passed Assembly 52-20. To Senate. <u>9/9</u> : In Senate. Read third time and amended. Senate Rule 29.3 suspended. To third reading. <u>9/9</u> : Urgency clause adopted. Passed Senate 36-1. To Assembly for concurrence. <u>9/9</u> : Urgency clause adopted. Assembly concurred in Senate amendments 68-7. To enrollment. <u>9/14</u> : Enrolled. To Governor. 9/23: Signed by Governor and chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 313.

AB 183	Assisted self-service checkout systems	Ma (D)	Oppose	<p>This bill is meant to "crack down" on alcohol sales to minors, and will ban alcohol sales at assisted self-service checkout systems. However, no evidence has been offered in regards to the association between self-service checkout and alcohol purchases by minors.</p>	<p>Letter written in opposition to the bill on 9/16. <u>5/26</u>: Passed Assembly. To Senate. <u>6/22</u>: In Senate. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Governmental Organization. <u>9/6</u>: Failed to pass Senate 40-0. <u>9/6</u>: In Senate. Motion to reconsider. Reconsideration granted. <u>9/8</u>: Passed Senate 21-16. To Assembly for concurrence. <u>9/9</u>: Assembly concurred in Senate amendments. To enrollment. <u>9/19</u>: Enrolled. <u>9/21</u>: To Governor. <u>10/9</u>: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 726</p>
AB 208	Transportation	Fuentes (D)	Support	<p>This bill extends the life tract of any approved subdivision tentative map or vesting tentative map by 2 years.</p>	<p><u>5/2</u>: Urgency clause adopted. Passed Assembly 73-0. To Senate. <u>7/1</u>: In Senate. Urgency clause adopted. Passed Senate 33-0. To enrollment. <u>7/6</u>: Enrolled. <u>7/7</u>: To Governor. <u>7/13</u>: Signed by Governor. <u>7/15</u>: Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 88.</p>
AB 250	Instructional Materials	Brownley (D)	Support	<p>This bill establishes clear goals for learning in order to prepare students for success in college and careers. It creates a framework for California to establish education standards for 21st century competitiveness.</p>	<p>Letter written in support of the bill on 3/9. <u>6/1</u>: Passed Assembly 52-24. To Senate. <u>8/30</u>: In Senate. Read second time and amended. To third reading. <u>8/31</u>: Passed Senate 24-10. To Assembly for concurrence. <u>9/6</u>: Assembly concurred in Senate amendments 52-26. To enrollment. <u>9/9</u>: Enrolled. <u>9/14</u>: To Governor. <u>10/8</u>: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 608</p>

AB 550	Delta Peripheral Canal	Huber (D)	Oppose	The bill seeks to reopen a delicately crafted compromise and interject the Legislature into the intricacies of designing a new conveyance system in the Delta. A new Delta canal or tunnel will likely involve multiple intakes, a forebay and other infrastructure. The Legislature has no expertise for designing roadways, electrical conveyance or other vital pieces of state infrastructure.	Letter written in opposition to the bill in March. 3/25: To Assembly Committees on Water, Parks and Wildlife and Appropriations. Two year bill.
AB 650	DOE Loan Guarantee Program	Blumenfield (D)	Support	This bill establishes a Blue Ribbon Task Force on Public Transportation for the 21st century. It requires the task force to issue a report that contains specified findings relating to the current condition of the state's transit system, the estimated cost of creating the needed system, and potential sources of funding.	<u>6/1</u> : Passed Assembly 51-25. To Senate. <u>8/15</u> : In Senate. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations. <u>8/31</u> : Passed Senate 23-15. To Assembly for concurrence. <u>9/6</u> : Assembly concurred in Senate amendments 52-24. To enrollment. <u>9/9</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/14</u> : To Governor. 9/26: Vetoed by Governor.
AB 700	Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank	Blumenfield (D)	Support	The bill deletes provisions establishing the Bergeson-Peace Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank within the Business Transportation and Housing Agency. It provides that the bank is within state government and that the Director of Finance will serve as chair of the board of directors.	Letter written in support of the bill on 2/17. <u>6/1</u> : Passed Assembly 72-3. To Senate. <u>6/28</u> : In Senate. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations. <u>8/30</u> : Passed Senate 37-0. To Assembly for concurrence. <u>9/6</u> : Assembly concurred in Senate amendments 67-10. <u>9/9</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/14</u> : To Governor. 10/5: Vetoed by Governor.

AB 790	Linked Learning Pilot Program	Furutani (D)	Support	This bill establishes a Linked Learning high school pilot program that would allow participating districts to implement a district-wide Linked Learning approach in all high schools, incorporating strategies such as small schools, problem-based instruction methods and applied learning throughout all subject areas.	Letter written in support of the bill on 3/9. <u>5/27</u> : In Assembly. Read second time and amended. To second reading. <u>6/1</u> : Passed Assembly 54-20. To Senate. <u>6/21</u> : In Senate. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Education. <u>9/6</u> : Passed Senate 27-12. To Assembly for concurrence. <u>9/7</u> : Assembly concurred in Senate amendments 58-21. To enrollment. <u>9/9</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/19</u> : To Governor. 10/8: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 616.
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AB 830	Labor Code	Olsen (R)	Support	This bill permits an individual nonexempt employee to request an employee-selected flexible work schedule providing for workdays up to 10 hours per day within a 40-hour workweek and allow an employer to implement this schedule without the obligation to pay overtime compensation for those additional hours in a workday.	Letter written in support of the bill on 3/9. <u>5/4</u> : In Assembly Committee on Labor and Employment: Failed passage 1-5. 6/20: From Assembly Committee no further action pursuant to JR 62(a). Failed.
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AB 900	Construction Projects	Buchanan (D)	Support	<p>This bill enacts the Jobs and Economic Improvement Through Environmental Leadership Act of 2011. It establishes specified procedures for the judicial review of the environmental impact report, and approvals granted for a leadership project related to the development of a residential, retail, commercial, sports, cultural, entertainment, or recreational use project, or clean renewable energy or clean energy manufacturing project. Consequently, it will help pave the way for large construction projects that generate thousands of jobs for the entire state of California and increase tax revenues for local government.</p>	<p>Letter written in support of the bill on 9/9 and 9/15. <u>5/31</u>: Passed Assembly 53-26. To Senate. <u>9/9</u>: Urgency clause adopted. Passed Senate 32-7. To Assembly for concurrence. In Assembly, ordered returned to Senate. In Senate. Action rescinded whereby bill was read third time and passed. Amended. Senate Rule 29.3 suspended. Passed Senate 32-7. Assembly concurred in Senate amendments 58-15. To enrollment. <u>9/19</u>: Enrolled. <u>9/20</u>: To Governor. <u>9/27</u>: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 354. It is to remain in effect until 1/1/15, at which time the Assembly will measure its success.</p>
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AB 1069	Film Tax Evasion	Fuentes (D)	Support	<p>This bill extends the tax credit available to the film industry for filming motion pictures and television series in the state. This bill will help prevent "run-away production" and keep entertainment industry jobs in California.</p>	<p><u>5/31</u>: Passed Assembly 77-1. To Senate. <u>9/9</u>: In Senate. Read second time and amended. <u>9/10</u>: Passed Senate. To Assembly for concurrence. <u>9/10</u>: Assembly concurred in Senate amendments 74-1. <u>9/20</u>: Enrolled. <u>9/23</u>: To Governor. <u>10/9</u>: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 731.</p>
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AB 1128	Vehicles: Terminal Island Freeway: Special Permits	Furutani (D)	Support	This bill authorizes the DMV to issue a special permit to the operator or a vehicle, combination of vehicles, or mobile equipment, permitting the operation and movement of such vehicle and its load on designated routes if the vehicle or equipment meets specified criteria, upon adoption of an ordinance by the City of Carson covering designated routes.	Letter written in support of the bill on 2/18. <u>5/26</u> : Passed Assembly 75-0. To Senate. <u>7/5</u> : In Senate. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Appropriations. <u>8/22</u> : Passed Senate 37-0. To Assembly for concurrence. <u>8/25</u> : Assembly concurred in Senate amendments 76-0. <u>8/29</u> : Enrolled. 9/20: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 298.
AB 1180	Water: Coastal Power Plants	Bradford (D)	Support	This bill requires the SWRCB to consider an implementation submitted by a municipally owned power plant on the Use of Coastal and Estuarine Waters for Power Plant Cooling.	Letter written in support of the bill on 2/18. <u>5/19</u> : Passed Assembly 74-0. To Senate. 9/2: Gutted and amended. No longer our issue.
AB 1304	Linked Learning	Block (D)	Support	This bill supports teacher development, understanding and implementation of applied learning strategies in the classroom, as well as creates a visible teacher pipeline for Linked Learning pathways throughout California.	Letter written in support of the bill on 3/9. <u>5/31</u> : Passed Assembly 50-26. To Senate. <u>8/18</u> : Passed Senate 27-12. <u>8/22</u> : Enrolled. 9/6: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 259.
AB 1444	Expedited judicial review: public rail transit projects.	Feuer (D)	Monitor	This is currently a Spot Bill. The author will develop language.	Introduced on 1/4/12. Developing Language. Chamber will continue to monitor

AB 1446	Transit Projects in Los Angeles	Feuer (D)	Monitor	This bill would authorize Metro and LA County to voters to extend the length of Measure R Sales Tax authorization beyond thirty years in order to enable Metro to bond against future Measure R proceeds and to build transit projects sooner than originally anticipated, without reliance on state or federal funds. This bill addresses three major problems in LA County: 1) creation of thousands of jobs; 2) reduction of traffic congestion; 3) decreasing pollution from private vehicle trips.	Introduced 1/4/12. May be heard in committee Feb. 4.
SB 14	State Budget	Wolk (D)	Support	This bill creates performance-based budgeting which will inform the Governor and Legislature of the progress made by managers, supervisors and workers toward achieving the goals set forth by their legislation.	Letter written in support of the bill on 2/9. <u>5/27</u> : Passed Senate 38-0. To Assembly. <u>8/25</u> : In Assembly. Read second time and amended. <u>8/30</u> : Passed Assembly 76-0. To Senate for concurrence. <u>9/1</u> : Senate concurred in Assembly amendments 38-0. <u>9/2</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/9</u> : To Governor. <u>10/9</u>: Vetoed by Governor.
SB 15	State Budget	Desaulnier (D)	Support	This bill would change the annual budget to a multi-year spending plan with five year fiscal forecasting	Letter written in support of the bill on 2/15. <u>5/31</u> : Passed Senate 39-0. To Assembly. <u>9/2</u> : In Assembly. Read third time and amended. <u>9/7</u> : Passed Assembly 76-2. <u>9/8</u> : Senate concurred in Assembly amendments. 40-0. <u>9/12</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/14</u> : To Governor. <u>10/9</u>: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 737.
SB 144	Meal Periods	Wyland (R)	Support	This bill makes changes to the rules governing meal and break periods.	2/10: To Senate Committee on Rules.

SB 200	Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District	Wolk (D)	Oppose	This bill requires any state agency that is responsible for implementing any part of the Bay Delta Conservation Plan to ensure that the action is consistent with requirements in the bill.	3/24: In Senate. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Water.
SB 202	Ballot initiatives	Hancock (D)	Oppose	This bill places all initiatives and referendums on the November election in even numbered years.	<u>5/31</u> : Passed Senate 23-14. To Assembly. <u>9/8</u> : In Assembly Read second time and amended. <u>9/9</u> : Passed Assembly 45-30. To Senate for concurrence. <u>9/10</u> : Senate concurred in Assembly amendments 23-15. <u>9/14</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/16</u> : To Governor. 10/7: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 558
SB 226	California Environmental Quality Act	Simitian (D)	Support	This bill allows comments and responses to a general plan to occur at the same hearing as the California Environmental Quality Act scoping process. This bill will allow lead agencies to address community concerns before they become more serious later in the review process.	<u>4/14</u> : Passed Senate 36-0. To Assembly. <u>9/9</u> : In Assembly. Read second time and amended. <u>9/9</u> : Passed Assembly 59-12. To Senate for concurrence. <u>9/9</u> : Senate concurred in Assembly amendments 22-11. <u>9/14</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/16</u> : To Governor. 10/4: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 469
SB 292	Construction of Farmers Field	Padilla (D)	Support	This bill creates special procedures for the judicial and administrative review of the Environmental Impact Report of the proposed stadium, Farmers Field, in downtown LA. This bill was created by gutting and amending on 9/2.	Letter written in support of the bill on 9/15. <u>9/7</u> : In Assembly. Read second time and amended. <u>9/7</u> : Passed Assembly 63-13. To Senate for concurrence. <u>9/9</u> : Senate concurred in Assembly amendments 32-7. <u>9/13</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/16</u> : To Governor. 9/27: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 353.

SB 364	Tax Incentives	Yee (D)	Oppose	This bill imposes penalties for businesses claiming state tax incentives, if they reduce their number of employees in California by greater than 10 percent from previous year. The penalty would be \$5,000 per employee over 10%.	<u>6/1</u> : Passed Senate 22-17. To Assembly. <u>8/15</u> : In Assembly. Read second time and amended. <u>9/1</u> : Passed Assembly 42-28. To Senate for concurrence. <u>9/2</u> : Senate concurred in Assembly amendments 22-15. <u>9/6</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/9</u> : To Governor. <u>10/7</u>: Vetoed by Governor.
SB 389	Meal Periods	Dutton (R)	Support	This bill gives an employer the option of giving an additional hour of pay instead of offering a meal period. This would no longer be a misdemeanor.	<u>5/11</u> : In Senate Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations: Not heard.
SB 432	Mandate on fitted sheets	De León (D)	Oppose	This bill would mandate hotels and other lodging establishments in California to use fitted sheets instead of flat sheets and long-handed cleaning tools to be supplied to housekeepers.	Letter written in opposition to the bill on 8/1. <u>6/1</u> : Passed Senate 25-15. To Assembly. <u>8/25</u>: In Assembly Committee on Appropriations. Not heard.
SB 459	Misclassification of Independent Contractors	Corbett (D)	Oppose	This bill subjects employers to statutory penalties if a government agency determines the business has willfully misclassified an employee as an independent contractor. It will require businesses to provide those hired as independent contractors with forms detailing why they are considered independent contractors and explaining the impact on their tax obligations.	<u>6/2</u> : Passed Senate 24-12. To Assembly. <u>9/2</u> : In Assembly. Read third time and amended. <u>9/7</u> : Passed Assembly 51-26. To Senate for concurrence. <u>9/8</u> : Senate concurred in Assembly amendments 22-14. <u>9/12</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/14</u> : To Governor. <u>10/9</u>: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 706.
SB 468	CalTrans Construction in Coastal Zones	Kehoe (D)	Oppose	This bill imposes additional regulations on CalTrans when they construct in coastal zones. It requires CalTrans to include multimodal transportation options and high-occupancy vehicle lanes in the project and work with the Coastal Commission.	<u>6/1</u> : Passed Senate 24-15. To Assembly. <u>8/31</u> : In Assembly. Read third time and amended. <u>9/8</u> : Passed Assembly 61-16. To Senate for concurrence. <u>9/9</u> : Senate concurred in Assembly amendments 24-15. <u>9/13</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/16</u> : To Governor. <u>10/7</u>: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 535.

SB 469	Large retail facilities	Vargas (D)	Oppose	This bill uses the land-use process and environmental laws to inhibit construction of superstore retailers. It requires an economic impact report showing the impact on local retail operations and employment before approval or disapproval of the project.	Letter written in opposition to the bill on 9/6. 5/10: In Senate. Read second time and amended. 5/31: Passed Senate 21-14. To Assembly. 9/1: Passed Assembly 46-28. 9/2: Enrolled. 9/9: To Governor. <u>10/9: Vetoes by Governor.</u>
SB 475	Infrastructure Financing	Wright (D)	Support	This bill incentivizes the use of public-private partnerships (P3s) by removing some of the ambiguity that exists in the current statute and by providing local governments with greater flexibility and broader authority to utilize P3s going forward.	Letter written in support of the bill on 2/17. <u>5/9</u> : Passed Senate 26-4. To Assembly. <u>6/20</u> : In Assembly. Read second time and amended. <u>6/29: In Assembly Committee on Local Government: Reconsideration granted.</u>
SB 508	Tax Credits	Wolk (D)	Oppose	This bill requires any bill that authorizes a personal income or corporation tax credit to contain specified objectives that the tax credit will achieve, detailed performance indicators to measure whether the tax credit is meeting those objectives, and a requirement that the tax credit cease to be operative a specified number of taxable years after its effective date.	<u>4/25</u> : Passed Senate 23-17. To Assembly. <u>6/20</u> : In Assembly. Read second time and amended. <u>8/29</u> : Passed Assembly. To Senate for concurrence. <u>8/30</u> : Senate concurred in Assembly amendments 22-16. <u>9/1</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/7</u> : To Governor. <u>10/9: Vetoes by Governor.</u>
SB 550	CD Manufacturing	Padilla (D)	Support	This bill allows authorities to identify CD plants responsible for manufacturing fraudulent recordings and to perform inspections to ensure that manufacturers are not in violation of piracy laws and increase fines for those who are in violation.	Letter written in support of the bill on 9/9. <u>5/31</u> : Passed Senate 33-6. To Assembly. <u>8/23</u> : In Assembly. Read second time and amended. <u>8/30</u> : Passed Assembly 56-18. To Senate for concurrence. <u>9/1</u> : Senate concurred in Assembly amendments 36-3. <u>9/2</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/9</u> : To Governor. <u>10/2: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 421.</u>

SB 568	Recycling: Polystyrene Food Containers	Lowenthal (D)	Oppose	<p>This bill bans the use of polystyrene foam packaging, unfairly burdening the grocery and restaurant industries. Alternatives to polystyrene products cost two to three times more; are far less effective for very hot or cold food and beverages; and double greenhouse gas emissions, energy use and waste. Food vendors will be forced to pass these costs onto consumers.</p>	<p>Letter written in opposition to the bill on 2/17. <u>6/2</u>: Passed Senate 21-15. To Assembly. <u>7/12</u>: In Assembly. Read second time and amended. <u>9/8</u>: In Assembly. To Inactive File.</p>
SB 617	Regulation Development	Calderon (D)	Support	<p>This bill improves the process of developing regulations in California by requiring a robust economic analysis for major regulations. The bill supports more transparent rulemakings, improves oversight of agencies and will encourage policymakers to implement the most cost-effective ways to achieve goals.</p>	<p>Letter written in support of the bill on 9/21. <u>5/16</u>: Passed Senate 37-0. To Assembly. <u>9/8</u>: In Assembly. Read second time and amended. <u>9/9</u>: Passed Assembly 58-19. To Senate for concurrence. <u>9/10</u>: Senate concurred in Assembly amendments 39-0. To enrollment. <u>9/14</u>: Enrolled. <u>9/16</u>: To Governor. <u>10/5</u>: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 496.</p>
SB 643	Housing Regulations	Correa (D)	Support	<p>This bill requires agencies to specify the estimated cost of compliance in dollars when proposing regulations that impact housing. It will ensure a full state analysis of regulatory cost impositions, as to allow developers to adjust financially to the imposition of regulation and create greater confidence for their investors.</p>	<p>5/31: Passed Senate 38-0. To Assembly. <u>8/25</u>: In Assembly. Committee on Appropriations: Held in committee.</p>

SB 650	Long Beach College Promise	Lowenthal (D)	Support	This bill ensures the intent of the Long Beach College Promise, a nationally-recognized educational partnership between Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD), Long Beach Community College (LBCC) and California State University, Long Beach (CSULB) to provide students with an aligned sequence of rigorous high school coursework leading to capstone college courses.	<u>5/23</u> : Passed Senate 39-0. To Assembly. <u>7/13</u> : In assembly. Read second time and amended. <u>8/25</u> : Passed Assembly 77-1. To Senate for concurrence. <u>8/30</u> : Senate concurred in Assembly amendments 38-0. <u>9/1</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/7</u> : To Governor. <u>10/8</u>: Signed by Governor and Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter No. 633
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SB 654	Redvelopment	Steinberg (D)	Support	This bill is an urgency measure which would allow city, county, or city and county of a dissolving redevelopment agency to retain funds on deposit on the agency's low and moderate income housing fund and expand the types of agency loans from the host city or county that are considered enforceable obligations, as specified.	<u>1/26</u> : Passed unanimously 8-0 out of two Senate committees. Will be taken up on Senate floor 1/30. LA Chamber made calls to LA Senate delegation in support of the bill 1-25.
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SB 659	Dissolution of Redevelopment Agencies	Padilla (D)	Support	Originally this was reg. the San Gabriel Basin, but was gutted and amended. This bill will temporarily postpone the February 1st deadline for the dissolution of redevelopment agencies, in order to preserve the ability to develop a new job creation and neighborhood	<u>5/23</u> : Passed Senate 39-0. To Assembly. <u>6/20</u>: In Assembly Committee on Local Government, Not Heard. Carryover.
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SB 693	State highway projects	Dutton (R)	Support	This bill makes clear that transportation projects may be financed by private-public partnership agreements.	Letter written in support of the bill on 3/29. <u>4/13</u>: In Senate. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Committee on Transportation and Housing.
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SB 734	California High Speed Rail and small businesses	DeSaulnier (D)	Support	This bill addresses small business participation and microbusiness preference on the California High Speed Rail project and would grant microbusiness contractors an additional 2.5% preference in competing for high-speed rail contracts.	Letter written in support of the bill on 8/2. <u>6/2</u> : Passed Senate 25-12. To Assembly. 8/15: Gutted and amended. No longer our issue.
SB 744	California Water Submeter Reliability	Wyland (R)	Support	This bill ensures the modernization of California's water regulatory practices in order to achieve the state's water conservation policies as well as ensuring water meter reliability. This bill would end redundant testing at the county level, while assuring that submeters meet NIST testing standards, and more submeters would be put back into the market maintaining consumer safeguards.	Bill passed through the Senate last year and through Assembly policy and fiscal committees. It has not moved off Assembly floor back to the Senate because it is opposed by Gov's Dept of Food and Ag and there was talk about possible veto. Trying to gain broader support for bill. LA Chamber is a part of the coalition to support SB 744.
SB 791	Amendments reg. motor vehicle fuel fees.	Simitian (D)	Oppose	The Amendments authorize Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO's) to place on the ballot a regional transportation reduction charge on purchasers of motor vehicle fuel fees, essentially seeking an end run around Proposition 26.	Letter written in opposition to the amendments to the bill on 8/30. 9/9: Gutted and amended. No longer our issue.
SB 829	CalOSHA	Desaulnier (D)	Oppose	This bill undermines employers' rights by making various financial and time costly changes to the California Labor Code sections governing the California Occupational Safety and Health Appeals (CalOSHA) process. SB 829 unfairly disfavors employers and creates new ways for third parties to slow the CalOSHA system.	<u>5/31</u> : In Senate. Read second time and amended. <u>6/2</u> : Passed Senate 23-15. To Assembly. 7/6: From Assembly Committee on Labor and Employment: Do pass to Committee on Appropriations.

SB 863	Workers' Compensation: Liens	Lieu (D)	Support	This bill eliminates "zombie" liens, a major factor clogging the Workers' Compensation system. This bill requires medical liens to be submitted in writing within three years of the services received.	Letter written in support of the bill on 7/20. <u>5/16</u> : Passed Senate 37-0. To Assembly. <u>6/6</u> : In Assembly. Read second time and amended. 8/22: In Assembly. From third reading. To Inactive File.
SB 912	Modernize Flexible Work Schedule Regulations	Lieu (D)	Oppose	This bill enables the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to investigate alleged hotel employee misclassification under specified circumstances.	Letter written in opposition to the bill on 3/24. 4/28: Gutted and amended. No longer our issue.
SB 931	Payroll Cards	Evans (D)	Oppose	This bill imposes fees on employers issuing payroll cards, making it cost-prohibitive to pay unbanked workers in this way.	Letter written in opposition to the bill on 9/2. <u>5/16</u> : Passed Senate 24-12. To Assembly. <u>8/31</u> : In Assembly. Read third time and amended. <u>9/8</u> : Passed Assembly 48-28. To Senate for concurrence. <u>9/9</u> : Senate concurred in Assembly amendments 21-17. <u>9/14</u> : Enrolled. <u>9/16</u> : To Governor. 10/9: Vetted by Governor.
SB 939	Natural Gas Surcharge	Wright (D)	Support	This bill will end the current practice of gas utilities sending public purpose program surcharge money collected from ratepayers to the State Board of Equalization.	Letter written in support of the bill on 8/24. <u>5/16</u> : Passed Senate 37-0. To Assembly. <u>8/15</u> : In Assembly Read second time and amended. 8/25: In Assembly Committee on Appropriations. Held in committee.