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ACRONYMS

AB = Assembly Bill
ALJD = Administrative Law Judge Division
ARB = (California) Air Resources Board
BBL = Budget Bill Language
BCP = Budget Change Proposal
CAISO = California Independent System Operator
CalFire = California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
CASF = California Advanced Services Fund
CEC = California Energy Commission
CEQA = California Environmental Quality Act
CHCF = California High Cost Fund
CPCN = Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity
CPED = (California Public Utilities Commission) Consumer Protection and Enforcement Division
CPUC = California Public Utilities Commission
CTF = California Teleconnect Fund
DA = Division Analysis
DDTP = Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program
DGS = Department of General Services
DMV = Department of Motor Vehicles
DOF = Department of Finance
ECP = Enrollment, Caseload & Population budget document
FTA = Federal Transit Administration
GHG = Greenhouse Gas
IOU = Investor Owned Utility
IT = Information Technology
MR = May Revision (budget document)
MW = Megawatt
NSHP = New Solar Homes Partnership
OGA = (California Public Utilities Commission) Office of Governmental Affairs
ORA = Office of Ratepayer Advocates
PRA = Public Records Act
PU = Public Utilities (Code)
PY = Personnel Year
RPS = Renewables Portfolio Standard
SB = Senate Bill
SED = (California Public Utilities Commission) Safety and Enforcement Division
SFL = Spring Finance Letter
TBL = Trailer Bill Language
TNC = Transportation Network Company

LEGISLATIVE OVERVIEW

This year marked the beginning of the 2017-18 biennial legislative session. Each year, the CPUC actively engages the Legislature through the legislative process, providing essential insight and perspective, and information about the organization’s regulatory activities. This engagement helps shape legislation so that it can be the most effective at solving important and identifiable public problems.

This section summarizes major legislation (bills) of interest to the CPUC and key activities of the OGA throughout the 2017 legislative year. This year, the OGA formally tracked 113 bills of interest to the CPUC. CPUC Divisions developed 27 Bill Digests and 39 formal Division Analyses that provided invaluable insight on the potential impacts of each bill on the CPUC’s existing policies, practices and procedures. Of the 113 bills formally tracked by OGA, 24 passed the Legislature and 21 were signed by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr.

Throughout each legislative year, the CPUC may take formal public positions on bills of particular interest or concern to the organization. The CPUC also sponsors legislation needed to effectively and efficiently carry out the organization’s responsibilities. The CPUC sponsored and took a formal public position on one bill in 2017, SB 385 (Hueso, Chapter 425, Statutes of 2017). In addition, the CPUC participated in four informational legislative committee hearings and provided four formal briefings on a variety of topics to legislative staff. These formal briefings were aimed at informing legislative staff about the CPUC’s regulatory activities and policy actions.

Finally, the OGA actively collaborated and coordinated with its primary sister agencies and organizations, including the California Energy Commission, California Independent System Operator and California Air Resources Board, on its engagement with the Legislature this year. This collaboration was critical for the agencies to communicate shared interests and concerns about legislation to the Legislature and stakeholders. In many circumstances, leveraging each organization’s subject matter expertise was essential and helped lead to positive and important legislative outcomes.

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE ENGAGEMENT

Total Bills Tracked	113
Bill Digests Developed	27
Division Analyses Developed	39
Bills Passed by the Legislature	24
AB 36, AB 523, AB 524, AB 759, AB 797, AB 1034, AB 1069, AB 1070, AB 1082, AB 1083, AB 1145, AB 1400, AB 1665, SB 19, SB 182, SB 338, SB 385, SB 492, SB 549, SB 598, SB 618, SB 649, SB 711, SB 801	
Bills Signed by the Governor	21
AB 523, AB 759, AB 797, AB 1034, AB 1069, AB 1070, AB 1082, AB 1083, AB 1145, AB 1400, AB 1665, SB 19, SB 182, SB 338, SB 385, SB 492, SB 549, SB 598, SB 618, SB 711, SB 801	
Sponsored, Passed & Signed	1
SB 385	
Informational Legislative Committee Hearing Participation	4
Formal Briefings Provided	4

GOVERNANCE BILLS

Last year Governor Edmund G Brown Jr signed a package of legislative bills to bolster transparency and oversight at the CPUC and, further, emphasized that the Administration would continue to work with the Legislature on additional reform measures. The Legislature, Administration and the CPUC devoted significant time and attention again this year to developing legislation aimed at continuing to improve the safety culture, public access, accountability, and transparency of the organization. SB 19 (Hill, Chapter 421, Statutes of 2017), includes many of the provisions discussed last legislative session, as well as new provisions that shift components of the CPUC's transportation safety oversight responsibilities to other state agencies and local entities better suited to carry out these functions.

SB 19 (Hill): Public Utilities Commission: Duties and Responsibilities: Governance

Requires annual reporting to the Governor and Legislature by the State Transportation Agency about the CPUC's oversight of transportation regulation and the effects of a transfer of transportation authority to other agencies; clarifies the responsibilities and oversight of the following CPUC positions: Chief Administrative Law Judge, Chief Internal Auditor, the Public Advisor, and an Ethics Officer; and specifies CPUC audit procedures and contracting processes for outside legal services.

Status: Chapter 421

SPONSORED BILLS

SB 385 (Hueso): Public Utilities Commission: Reports: Programs: Studies

Provides technical clean-up of the Public Utilities Code, including modifying and clarifying existing statutes and repealing obsolete provisions. This bill further provides the CPUC with greater discretion to conduct one or more public meetings in affected areas where there are proposed area code changes.

CPUC Position: Support as Sponsor

Status: Chapter 425

ENERGY BILLS

ALISO CANYON

SB 801 (Stern): Aliso Canyon Natural Gas Storage Facility: Electrical Grid Data: Electricity Demand Reduction and Response: Energy Storage Solutions

Requires the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) and Southern California Edison to consider expediting the permitting and deployment of cost-effective energy storage in the Aliso Canyon delivery area and for the LADWP to make electric system data public. In addition, the bill creates a new special account for all citations monies levied upon the Southern California Gas Company for the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility leak.

Status: Chapter 814

CITATION MONIES

AB 524 (Bigelow): Public Utilities: Fines and Settlements: 2015 Butte Fire

Allocates \$8.3 million in citation monies levied upon the Pacific Gas & Electric Company by the CPUC for violations that resulted in the Butte Fire of 2015. This bill specifically allocates these monies to the State Responsibility Area Fire Prevention Fund to be appropriated to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) and expended on the CAL FIRE's State Responsibility Area Fire Prevention and Tree Mortality Grant programs.

Status: Vetoed, October 2, 2017

CONSUMER PROTECTION & ASSISTANCE

AB 1070 (Gonzalez-Fletcher): Solar Energy Systems: Contracts: Disclosures

Requires the Contractors State License Board (CSLB) to collaborate with the CPUC in developing a "solar photovoltaic system disclosure" document, which will provide information on solar photovoltaic system financing, costs and expected savings. This bill further requires solar photovoltaic system companies to provide this document to customers prior to sale, and for the CSLB to review and annually report complaints and consumer questions regarding solar photovoltaic companies and contractors. Finally, this bill requires the CPUC to develop standardized inputs and assumptions for calculating electric bill savings that can be expected by using a solar photovoltaic system.

Status: Chapter 662

SB 598 (Hueso): Public Utilities: Gas and Electric Service Disconnections

Requires the CPUC to develop new rules, policies and regulations with the goal of reducing the statewide level of natural gas and electric utility service disconnections for nonpayment by residential customers. This bill also extends special considerations to residential customers who have specified medical conditions or who have a member of the household with those conditions, and that the effect of disconnections is considered as part of the electric and natural gas investor owned utilities General Rate Case proceedings.

Status: Chapter 362

CUSTOMER ENERGY RESOURCES

AB 36 (Nazarian): Eligible Fuel Cell Electrical Generating Facilities: Energy Metering

Expands eligibility for the net energy metering for fuel cells program to include technologies that use electromechanical conversion of fuel, namely natural gas, to generate electricity (e.g., internal combustion engines, microturbines and gas turbines) on-site, as long as they comply with air pollution and greenhouse gas emission standards established by the California Air Resources Board.

Status: Vetoed, October 9, 2017

AB 797 (Irwin): Solar Thermal Systems

Extends the California Solar Initiative Thermal Program to July 31, 2020. The current program budget of \$250 million remains the same. This bill also makes minor programmatic changes aimed at targeting the deployment of solar water heating systems within disadvantaged communities, communities that currently lack natural gas service in the San Joaquin Valley, and areas that face natural gas shortages or similar natural gas supply constraints.

ELECTRIC AND NATURAL GAS RATES

SB 711 (Hill): Electrical Corporations and Gas Corporations: Rates and Charges

Requires the CPUC to take efforts to minimize residential electric and natural gas bill volatility, explicitly authorizing the CPUC to do this by modifying the length of baseline seasons or defining additional baseline seasons.

Status: Chapter 467

ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

AB 523 (Reyes): Electric Program Investment Charge: Allocation

Requires the California Energy Commission to allocate at least 25 percent of the funding from the technology demonstration and deployment portion of the Electric Program Investment Charge program to projects at sites located in, or benefiting, disadvantaged communities, as defined. It further requires the California Energy Commission to allocate an additional 10 percent of the funding from the same funding source for low-income communities, as defined.

Status: Chapter 551

AB 1400 (Friedman): Natural Gas Research & Development: Electric Program Investment Charge: Microgrid Projects: Diesel Generators

Prevents recipients of Electric Program Investment Charge and Natural Gas Research and Development program funding from using these programs to purchase diesel fueled electric generators—including backup generators—to provide electricity for microgrid projects.

Status: Chapter 476

INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLANNING

AB 759 (Dahle): Electricity: Electrical Cooperatives: Integrated Resource Plan

Exempts small electrical cooperatives, as defined, with annual electric demand lower than 700 gigawatts hours from the requirement to file regular Integrated Resource Plans with the CPUC.

Status: Chapter 140

SB 338 (Skinner): Integrated Resource Plan: Peak Demand

Requires the CPUC and the governing boards of local publicly owned utilities to consider the role of a variety of energy technologies and resources in meeting energy and reliability needs during and around the hour of peak demand, while reducing the need for new electric generation and electric transmission system infrastructure.

Status: Chapter 389

SB 618 (Bradford): Load-Serving Entities: Integrated Resource Plans

Requires that the Integrated Resource Plans filed by a Load-Serving Entity (LSE) contribute to a diverse and balanced portfolio of energy resources needed to ensure a reliable electricity supply that provides optimal integration of renewable energy resources in a cost-effective manner, meets specified emissions reduction targets for greenhouse gases, and prevents cost shifting among LSEs.

Status: Chapter 431

TRANSPORTATION ELECTRIFICATION

AB 1082 (Burke): Transportation Electrification: Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure: School Facilities and Other Educational Institutions

Allows the electric investor owned utilities to propose pilot programs that use ratepayer funding to install electric vehicle charging infrastructure at educational institutions, including private and public kindergarten through twelfth grade schools, community colleges, and public and private universities. This bill further directs the CPUC to review and decide whether to approve or deny the proposed pilot programs within five months after the electric investor owned utilities file applications.

Status: Chapter 637

AB 1083 (Burke): Transportation Electrification: Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure: State parks and Beaches

Allows the electric investor owned utilities to propose pilot programs that use ratepayer funding to install electric vehicle charging infrastructure at state parks and beaches. This bill further directs the CPUC to review and decide whether to approve or deny the proposed pilot programs within five months after the electric investor owned utilities file applications.

Status: Chapter 638

SAFETY BILLS

SB 549 (Bradford): Public Utilities: Redirection of Moneys Authorized for Maintenance, Safety and Reliability

Directs the CPUC to require electric and natural gas investor owned utilities to annually notify the CPUC of each time capital or expense revenue authorized by the CPUC for maintenance, safety, or reliability was redirected for a different purpose.

Status: Chapter 284

COMMUNICATIONS BILLS

AB 1034 (Chau): Government Interruption of Communications

Moves from the Public Utility Code to the Penal Code, provisions preventing government entities from interrupting communications services in order to prevent crimes and protect the public, except through the specific guidelines and conditions described.

Status: Chapter 322

AB 1145 (Quirk): Conversion of Existing Overhead Electric and Communication Facilities to Underground Locations: Cable Television Corporations and Cable Operators

Adds cable television providers to the provisions in law that require cities to reimburse utilities for costs of undergrounding of city-owned overhead electric or communications facilities when the city initiates the conversion, as well as the statutes governing the Department of Transportation's undergrounding reimbursements.

Status: Chapter 792

AB 1665 (E. Garcia): Telecommunications: California Advanced Services Fund

Authorizes the CPUC to collect an additional \$330 million for the California Advanced Services Fund program, and makes substantial changes to the program, including: changing the program goal from a statewide goal to a regional goal; establishing a broadband adoption account; making numerous changes to the requirements for applicants to receive broadband infrastructure funding; and requiring additional program audits and reporting.

Status: Chapter 851

SB 649 (Hueso): Wireless Telecommunications Facilities

Limits the ability of cities and counties to impose certain regulations on small cell deployment, and requires a formula for the determination of regulated small cell attachment rates for city/county-controlled infrastructure similar to the way pole attachment fees are regulated. The bill also limits the ability of local entities to impose taxes, fees or other charges.

Status: Vetoed, October 15, 2017

TRANSPORTATION BILLS

AB 1069 (Low): Local Government: Taxicab Transportation Services

Prescribes uniform statewide requirements for taxicab companies, taxicab drivers, and the city or county where taxicabs operate, and restricts or eliminates existing provisions that allow a city or county to adopt additional local operating requirements for taxicab transportations.

Status: Chapter 753

SB 182 (Bradford): Transportation Network Company: Participating Drivers: Single Business License

Limits the ability of local jurisdictions to require a driver of a transportation network company to obtain a business license in more than one local jurisdiction, regardless of where the driver operates.

Status: Chapter 753

WATER BILLS

SB 492 (Beall): Midpeninsula Region Open Space District Purchase of Property from San Jose Water Company

Authorizes the San Jose Water Company to sell lands in the Upper Guadalupe watershed, including the Los Gatos Creek and Saratoga Creeks watersheds, to the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, until January 1, 2023, without CPUC review and approval of the sale.

Status: Chapter 359

INFORMATIONAL LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE HEARINGS AND FORMAL BRIEFINGS

ASSEMBLY UTILITIES & ENERGY COMMITTEE

March 15, 2017 – Investor Owned Utilities: Rates

The CPUC presented an overview of how electric and natural gas rates for the state’s electric investor owned utilities are designed and determined, factors that influence these rates and actions the CPUC has taken in recent years to manage the increase in these rates.

June 7, 2017 – Impact of the Regional Organization of the Grid

The California Independent System Operator and stakeholders provided an overview of the proposal for the California Independent System Operator to be a regional entity and the challenges and opportunities going forward.

July 19, 2017 - Review of California Public Utilities Commission and Office of Ratepayer Advocates Activities in 2016–2017

The CPUC and the Office of Ratepayer Advocates presented an overview of their activities in 2016-2017, and each organization’s work plan for 2017-2018.

SENATE ENERGY, UTILITIES & COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

January 31, 2017 – The California Public Utilities Commission and the Office of Ratepayer Advocates Annual Update to the Legislature

The CPUC and the Office of Ratepayer Advocates presented an overview of their activities in the 2016 calendar year, and each organization’s work plan for the 2017 calendar year.

August 23, 2017 – The Changing Electricity Landscape: The Growth of Community Choice Aggregators

The CPUC and stakeholders provided an overview of the growth of Community Choice Aggregators in California, described the evolution of California’s electric retail power market and discussed outstanding questions and issues regarding the transformational trends occurring in this market.

FORMAL BRIEFINGS PROVIDED

January 23, 2017 – Emerging Trends in California’s Electric Retail Power Market

President Picker presented information about emerging trends – technology, environmental policy and customer choice – in California’s electric retail power market and what this may mean for the California power/electricity sector of the future.

January 26, 2017 – Joint CPUC and California Energy Commission (CEC): Achieving California’s 2030 Climate Goals – Senate Bill 350 (de Leon, Chapter 547, Statutes of 2015): Integrated Resource Plans Implementation Update

The CPUC and CEC provided an update on the implementation status of the Integrated Resource Plans that are to be filed by each Load-Serving Entity and the state's largest publicly owned utilities. These plans seek to guide and optimize energy resource procurement that ensures electric service reliability, while achieving the power/electricity sector's greenhouse gas reduction targets at least cost to ratepayers.

April 28, 2017 – Joint CPUC, CEC, and California Independent System Operator: California's Electric System Planning Processes

The CPUC, CEC and the California Independent System Operator provided an overview of why and how the state plans the development of the state's electric system. Topics included the state's electric demand forecast, transmission-planning process, long-term procurement planning process/Integrated Resources Planning process, the environmental review process of thermal power plants, and how these processes align.

June 8, 2017 – Joint CPUC and CEC: California's Premier Energy Research and Development Programs

The CPUC and CEC provided an overview of the Electric Program Investment Charge program and Natural Gas Research and Development and described how these programs are critical for improving the state's electric and natural gas systems by advancing science and technology.

BUDGET OVERVIEW

During the first half of every calendar year, the Legislature evaluates, modifies and approves the CPUC’s budget for the next fiscal year, beginning July 1 and ending June 30. For the 2017-18 fiscal year, the Legislature appropriated over \$1.8 billion to the CPUC through AB 97 (Ting): Budget Act of 2017 for operations, universal access programs and the Office of Ratepayer Advocates. The development of the CPUC’s budget is an intensive process and requires active collaboration and engagement with the Department of Finance, Governor’s Office and the legislative budget committees and subcommittees.

This section summarizes the CPUC’s engagement with the legislative budget process. Every fiscal year, the CPUC typically requests modifications to its budget through Budget Change Proposals, Legislative Budget Change Proposals, Spring Finance Letters, May Revisions, and Budget Bill Language. For the 2017-18 fiscal year, the Legislature approved 17 Budget Change Proposals, 11 Legislative Budget Change Proposals, four Spring Finance Letters, two May Revisions, and two Budget Bill Language provisions. Of those, 13 Budget Change Proposals, all 11 Legislative Budget Change Proposals, one Spring Finance Letter, and one May Revision requested additional positions to fulfill ongoing and new legislative requirements, duties and workload.

In addition, the Legislature appropriated through AB 97 (Ting): Budget Act of 2017 one additional limited-term position to study healthy convenient stores participation in the energy efficiency programs overseen by the CPUC. By the end of the budget process, the Legislature and the Governor approved 53 new permanent positions and 21.5 limited-term positions. This approval reflects the CPUC’s active participation in eight legislative budget committee and subcommittee hearings that took place throughout the legislative budget process, explaining and justifying the organization’s Budget Change Proposals, Legislative Budget Change Proposals, Spring Finance Letters, May Revisions, and Budget Bill Language provisions.

Finally, the Legislature may amend existing statute through Trailer Bills to authorize the CPUC to carry out its responsibilities as it pertains to the organization’s budget. Trailer Bills are also used as mechanisms to clarify existing statute. This year, the Legislature approved SB 92 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review): Public Resources Trailer Bill, clarifying a previous budget allocation.

APPROVED BUDGET CHANGE PROPOSALS W/POSITIONS

Title	Positions		CPUC Division Lead
	Permanent	Limited-Term	
Fiscal Office: Fiscal Positions	2	0	Administration
Contract Services Oversight and Implementation of Audit Findings	2	0	Administration
Enterprise Risk and Compliance Office	5	0	Administration
Hearing Reporters: Expedite Availability-Proceeding Records	2	0	ALJ
CASF: Workload through 2020	0	5	Communications
DDTP: Permanent Positions	4	0	Communications
CTF: Resources for Compliance Oversight and Admin	2	0	Communications

CEQA Program Management	1	0	Energy
Office of Governmental Affairs	2	0	Executive
Cybersecurity Defense	4	0	Executive
Internal Audit Positions	2	0	Executive
Public Records Act Response	0	2	Legal
Safety Assurance - Electric and Communication Infrastructure	6	0	Safety
Total	32	7	

APPROVED LEGISLATIVE BUDGET CHANGE PROPOSALS W/POSITIONS

Title	Positions		Legislation
	Permanent	Limited-Term	
Safe Biomethane Production and Distribution	0	5	SB 840 (Budget and Fiscal Review), SB 1383 (Lara), AB 2313 (Williams)
Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Biomass	1	3	SB 859 (Budget and Fiscal Review)
Electric Utility Wildfire Mitigation Plans	3	0	SB 1028 (Hill)
LifeLine Program: Portability Freeze Rule	0	1	AB 2570 (Quirk)
Energy Storage	0	2.5	AB 33 (Quirk) AB 2868 (Gatto)
Expedited Distribution Grid Interconnection Dispute Resolution Process	2	1	AB 2861 (Ting)
Ex Parte Communications	3	0	SB 215 (Leno)
CPUC Intervenor Compensation, Governance, Accountability, Transparency, Outreach	3	0	SB 512 (Hill)
Expanded 2-1-1 Information and Referral Network	0	1	SB 1212 (Hueso)
Transportation Network Companies: Personal Vehicles	1	0	AB 2763 (Gatto)
Publish Contract and DGS Audit Information on CPUC Internet Website	1	0	AB 1651 (Oberholte)
Total	14	13.5	

ADDITIONAL BUDGET ACTIONS

Budget Change Proposals w/o Positions	
Title	CPUC Division Lead
LifeLine: Local Assistance and State Operations (funding)	Communications
CHCF-A: Increase Local Assistance (funding)	Communications
Align CASF Authority with PU Code 281	Communications
SB 350: Computer Simulations and Modeling (funding)	Energy

Spring Finance Letter w/Positions			
Title	Positions		CPUC Division Lead
	Permanent	Limited-Term	
Create Permanent Position: Deputy Executive Director for Safety	1	0	Executive

Spring Finance Letters w/o Positions	
Title	CPUC Division Lead
Extension of Appropriation for Energy Crisis Litigation	Legal
Federal Trust Fund (0890) FTA Grant Appropriation Increase	Safety
Multi Year Reappropriation of Funding for eFAST	Administration - IT

Budget Bill w/Position			
Title	Positions		CPUC Division Lead
	Permanent	Limited -Term	
Energy Efficiency Programs' Financial Incentives for Healthy Corner Stores	0	1	Energy

Budget Bill w/o Positions	
Title	CPUC Division Lead
Service Quality Contract Reappropriation	Communications

May Revision w/Positions			
Title	Positions		CPUC Division Lead
	Permanent	Limited-Term	
Strengthening the Transportation Enforcement Branch	6	0	CPED

Trailer Bill	
Title	CPUC Division Lead
Multifamily Affordable Housing Solar Roofs Program technical fix (AB 693)	Energy

BUDGET BILLS

AB 97 (Ting): Budget Act of 2017

Makes appropriations for the support of state government and the CPUC for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. Line item 8660-001-0462, Provision 3 provides \$107,000 to study the San Francisco and Los Angeles Counties' healthy food programs' use of energy efficiency programs, particularly for refrigeration measures. A report is due to the Legislature no later than July 1, 2019, with recommendations for increasing the percentage of corner stores using energy efficient refrigeration equipment, specifically considering corner stores in low-income communities that wish to provide healthy food products. The study may include metrics for evaluating the use of energy efficiency programs by corner stores and the efficacy of the San Francisco and Los Angeles Counties' programs in reducing corner store energy consumption.

Status: Chapter 14

SB 92 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review): Public Resources Trailer Bill

One section affects the CPUC:

- **Section 83** – Multifamily Affordable Housing Solar Roofs Program technical fix

Specifically this bill does the following:

Section 83 (Multifamily Affordable Housing Solar Roofs Program technical fix) amends Public Utilities Code Section 2870 to clarify the amount of funding available for the Multifamily Affordable Housing Solar Roofs Program, as provided for in AB 693 (Eggman, Chapter 582, Statutes of 2015), from 10 percent of the 15 percent of electric investor owned utilities carbon allowance revenue, to 10 percent of the total electric investor owned utilities carbon allowance revenue.

Status: Chapter 26

LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE HEARING PARTICIPATION

March 8, 2017 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 3 on Resources and Transportation

- President Michael Picker – Overview of 2017-18 Resources and Transportation Budgets

March 9, 2017 – Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee No. 2 on Resources, Environmental Protection, Energy, and Transportation

The following items were heard -

Budget Change Proposals

- Fiscal Office: Permanent Positions
- California Advanced Services Fund: Workload through 2020
- Align California Advanced Services Fund Authority with Public Utilities Code Section 281
- Computer Simulations and Modeling: Implementation of SB 350 (de León), Chapter 547, Statutes of 2015
- LifeLine: Local Assistance and State Operations
- California High Cost Fund A Workload: Increase Local Assistance
- Office of Governmental Affairs
- Contract Services Oversight and Implementation of Audit Findings
- Enterprise Risk and Compliance Office
- Public Records Act Response
- Internal Audit Positions
- Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program: Permanent Positions
- Hearing Reports: Expedite Availability of Proceeding Records
- Safety Assurance of Electric and Communication Infrastructure
- Cybersecurity Defense
- California Teleconnect Fund: Resources for Compliance Oversight and Administration
- CEQA Program Management

Legislative Budget Proposals

- Safe Biomethane Production and Distribution: Implementation of SB 840 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review), Chapter 341, Statutes of 2016; SB 1383 (Lara), Chapter 395, Statutes of 2016; and AB 2313 (Williams), Chapter 571, Statutes of 2016
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Biomass: SB 859 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review), Chapter 368, Statutes of 2016
- Expanded 2-1-1 Information and Referral Network: SB 1212 (Hueso), Chapter 841, Statutes of 2016
- California LifeLine Program – Portability Freeze Rule Implementation: AB 2570 (Quirk), Chapter 577, Statutes of 2016
- Publish Contract and DGS Audit Information on PUC Public Website: AB 1651 (Oberholte), Chapter 815, Statutes of 2016
- Electric Utility Wildfire Mitigation Plans: SB 1028 (Hill), Chapter 598, Statutes of 2016
- Energy Storage: AB 33 (Quirk), Chapter 680, Statutes of 2016 and AB 2868 (Gatto), Chapter 681, Statutes of 2016
- Expedited Distribution Grid Interconnection Dispute Resolution: AB 2861 (Ting), Chapter 672, Statutes of 2016

- Intervenor Compensation: SB 512 (Hill), Chapter 808, Statutes of 2016
- Ex Parte Communications: SB 215 (Leno), Chapter 807, Statutes of 2016
- Transportation Network Companies: Personal Vehicles: AB 2763 (Gatto), Chapter 766, Statutes of 2016

April 26, 2017 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 3 on Resources and Transportation

The following items were heard -

Budget Change Proposals

- Computer Simulations and Modeling: Implementation of SB 350 (de León), Chapter 547, Statutes of 2015
- Fiscal Office: Permanent Positions
- CEQA Program Management
- Deaf and Disabled Telecommunications Program: Permanent Positions
- California High Cost Fund A Workload: Increase Local Assistance
- California Advanced Services Fund: Workload through 2020
- Align California Advanced Services Fund Authority with Public Utilities Code Section 281
- California Teleconnect Fund: Resources for Compliance Oversight and Administration
- Cybersecurity Defense
- Hearing Reporters: Expedite Availability of Proceeding Records
- Internal Audit Positions
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- Enterprise Risk and Compliance Office
- California LifeLine: Local Assistance and State Operations
- Safety Assurance of Electric and Communication Infrastructure

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- Energy Storage: AB 33 (Quirk), Chapter 680, Statutes of 2016 and AB 2868 (Gatto), Chapter 681, Statutes of 2016
- Expanded 2-1-1 Information and Referral Network: SB 1212 (Hueso), Chapter 841, Statutes of 2016
- Expedited Distribution Grid Interconnection Dispute Resolution: AB 2861 (Ting), Chapter 672, Statutes of 2016
- Safe Biomethane Production and Distribution: Implementation of SB 840 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review), Chapter 341, Statutes of 2016; SB 1383 (Lara), Chapter 395, Statutes of 2016; and AB 2313 (Williams), Chapter 571, Statutes of 2016
- Transportation Network Companies: Personal Vehicles: AB 2763 (Gatto), Chapter 766, Statutes of 2016
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Biomass: SB 859 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review), Chapter 368, Statutes of 2016
- Ex Parte Communications: SB 215 (Leno), Chapter 807, Statutes of 2016

- Publish Contract and DGS Audit Information on PUC Public Website: AB 1651 (Obernolte), Chapter 815, Statutes of 2016
- Intervenor Compensation: SB 512 (Hill), Chapter 808, Statutes of 2016

Additional Budget Actions

- Spring Finance Letter on Extension of Appropriation for Energy Crisis Litigation
- Spring Finance Letter on Federal Trust Fund (0890) FTA Grant Appropriation Increase
- Spring Finance Letter on Multi Year Reappropriation of Funding for eFAST
- Spring Finance Letter on Deputy Executive Director for Safety and Proposed Codification of Positions
- Budget Bill on Service Quality Contract Reappropriation

May 11, 2017 – Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee No. 2 on Resources, Environmental Protection, Energy, and Transportation

The following items were heard -

Budget Change Proposals

- California High Cost Fund A Workload: Increase Local Assistance
- California Teleconnect Fund: Resources for Compliance Oversight and Administration
- Internal Audit Positions
- Safety Assurance of Electric and Communication Infrastructure
- Cybersecurity Defense
- Enterprise Risk and Compliance Office

Legislative Budget Proposals

- Intervenor Compensation: SB 512 (Hill), Chapter 808, Statutes of 2016
- Publish Contract and DGS Audit Information on PUC Public Website: AB 1651 (Obernolte), Chapter 815, Statutes of 2016
- California LifeLine Program – Portability Freeze Rule Implementation: AB 2570 (Quirk), Chapter 577, Statutes of 2016
- Expedited Distribution Grid Interconnection Dispute Resolution: AB 2861 (Ting), Chapter 672, Statutes of 2016

Additional Budget Actions

- Trailer Bill on Multifamily Affordable Housing Solar Roofs Program technical fix (AB 693)
- Spring Finance Letter on Extension of Appropriation for Energy Crisis Litigation
- Spring Finance Letter on Federal Trust Fund (0890) FTA Grant Appropriation Increase
- Spring Finance Letter on Create Permanent Position: Deputy Executive Director for Safety
- Budget Bill on Service Quality Contract Reappropriation

May 15, 2017 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 3 on Resources and Transportation

The following items were heard -

Budget Change Proposals

- California LifeLine Program Funding: Local Assistance and State Operations

Additional Budget Actions

- May Revision on Strengthening the Transportation Enforcement Branch
- Proposed Trailer Bill on Transfer of Regulatory Oversight of Transportation Functions

May 17, 2017 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 3 on Resources and Transportation

The following items were heard -

Budget Change Proposals

- Office of Governmental Affairs

Additional Budget Actions

- Budget Bill on Energy Efficiency Programs' Financial Incentives for Healthy Corner Stores

May 18, 2017 – Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee No. 2 on Resources, Environmental Protection, Energy, and Transportation

The following items were heard -

Budget Change Proposals

- California LifeLine Program Funding: Local Assistance and State Operations

Additional Budget Actions

- Proposed Trailer Bill on Transfer of Regulatory Oversight of Transportation Functions
- Spring Finance Letter on Multiyear Reappropriation of Funding for eFAST
- May Revision on Strengthening the Transportation Enforcement Branch

May 23, 2017 – Assembly Budget Subcommittee No. 3 on Resources and Transportation

The following items were heard -

Budget Change Proposals

- California LifeLine: Local Assistance and State Operations

Additional Budget Actions

- Budget Bill on Energy Efficiency Programs' Financial Incentives for Healthy Corner Stores
- Proposed Trailer Bill on Transfer of Regulatory Oversight of Transportation Functions
- Proposed Budget Bill on Citation Money from PG&E for Butte Fire
- Trailer Bill on Multifamily Affordable Housing Solar Roofs Program technical fix (AB 693, 2015)
- May Revision on Strengthening the Transportation Enforcement Branch

APPENDIX A: 2017 NEW LEGISLATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES

Division	Bill	Author	Subject	Action	Code	Notable Dates
Communications	AB 1665	Eduardo Garcia	Telecommunications: California Advanced Services Fund	Makes substantial changes to the California Advanced Services Fund program, including: changing the program goal from a statewide goal to a regional goal; increasing the program budget to \$330 million; establishing a broadband adoption account; changing infrastructure funding eligibility requirements; and requiring additional program audits and reporting.	Public Utilities Code Sections 281, 912.2, and 914.7	Effective immediately upon signature of Governor. Begin collecting funds January 1, 2018. Program funding expires December 31, 2022. Program reporting requirements until January 1, 2024
Energy	AB 759	Dahle	Electricity: Electrical Cooperatives: Integrated Resource Plan	CPUC must exempt electrical cooperatives with annual electrical demand not exceeding 700 gigawatt hours from Integrated Resource Plan requirements.	Public Utilities Code Section 454.52	Effective January 1, 2018.
Energy	AB 797	Irwin	Solar Thermal Systems	Extends the California Solar Initiative Thermal Program, makes numerous revisions to program eligibility and budgeting, and requires a program evaluation report.	Public Utilities Code Sections 2861, 2863, 2864, 2865, 2866, and 2867	Effective January 1, 2018. Program evaluation due December 31, 2019. Program funding expires July 31, 2020.
Energy	AB 1082	Burke	Transportation electrification: electric vehicle charging infrastructure: school facilities and other educational institutions.	Authorizes an electrical corporation to file with the CPUC a pilot program proposal for the installation of vehicle charging stations at school facilities and other educational institutions, as specified. Requires the CPUC to decide whether to approve proposals	Public Utilities Code Section 740.13	Effective January 1, 2018. Applications must be filed by July 30, 2018. Application Decision by December 31, 2018.
Energy	AB 1083	Burke	Transportation electrification: electric vehicle charging infrastructure: state parks and beaches.	Authorizes electrical corporations, in consultation with state agencies, to file with the CPUC a pilot program proposal for the installation of electric vehicle charging stations at state parks and beaches within its service territory. Requires the CPUC to decide whether to approve proposals.	Public Utilities Code Section 740.14	Effective January 1, 2018. Applications must be filed by July 30, 2018. Application Decision by December 31, 2018.
Energy	AB 1400	Friedman	Public Interest Research, Development, and Demonstration Program and Electric Program Investment Charge program: microgrid projects: diesel backup generators.	Prohibits microgrid projects from spending monies on diesel generators if they are a recipient of funding from the Natural Gas Research and Development Program and the Electric Program Investment Charge .	Public Resources Code Sections 25620.9 and 25711.8	Effective January 1, 2018

Division	Bill	Author	Subject	Action	Code	Notable Dates
Energy	SB 338	Skinner	Integrated resource plan: peak demand.	CPUC must consider the role of a variety of energy technologies and resources in meeting energy and reliability needs during and around the hour of peak demand while reducing the need for new electric generation and electric transmission system infrastructure within the Integrated Resource Planning process.	Public Utilities Code Sections 454.52 and 9621	Effective January 1, 2018
Energy	SB 549	Bradford	Public utilities: redirection of moneys authorized for maintenance, safety, or reliability.	Electrical or gas corporations must annually notify the CPUC each time that capital or expense revenue authorized by the CPUC for maintenance, safety, or reliability was redirected by the electrical or gas corporation to other purposes. Create a reporting structure that ensures the CPUC notifies the Office of the Safety Advocate, Office of Ratepayer Advocates, and parties on the service list of any relevant proceeding in a timely manner.	Public Utilities Code Section 591	Effective January 1, 2018
Energy	SB 598	Hueso	Public utilities: gas and electric service disconnections.	Develop policies, rules, or regulations with a goal of reducing, by January 1, 2024, the statewide level of gas and electric service disconnections for nonpayment by residential customers. Assess the impact of any proposed increase in rates on disconnections for nonpayment. Adopt residential utility disconnections for nonpayment as a metric and incorporate the metric into each gas and electrical corporation general rate case. Annually report to the Legislature information on residential and household gas and electric service disconnections, disaggregated by certain customer categories. Prohibits a gas or electrical corporation from disconnecting service for specified residential customers. Identify reasonable cost recovery strategies for gas or electric corporations providing service to customers in complying with this prohibition.	Public Utilities Code Sections 718, 779.3, and 910.5	Effective January 1, 2018. Reduce disconnections by January 1, 2024. Complete and submit report to the Legislature on customer disconnections starting April 1, 2018 and each year thereafter.
Energy	SB 618	Bradford	Load-serving entities: integrated resource plans.	Assess whether the individual Integrated Resource Plans filed by each load-serving entity contributes to a diverse and balanced portfolio of resources needed to ensure a reliable electricity supply that provides optimal integration of renewable energy resources in a cost-effective manner, meets specified emissions reduction targets for greenhouse gases, and prevents cost shifting among load-serving entities.	Public Utilities Code Section 454.54	Effective January 1, 2018
Energy	SB 711	Hill	Electrical corporations and gas corporations: rates and charges.	Minimize bill volatility for residential customers of electric and gas corporations. Direct electric and gas corporations that employ every-other-month meter reading and estimate bills for months when the customer's meter is not read, to include in its rate filings the methodology it employs to estimate bills for those months during which the meter is not read.	Public Utilities Code Sections 739 and 739.11	Effective January 1, 2018

Division	Bill	Author	Subject	Action	Code	Notable Dates
Energy	SB 801	Stern	Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility: electrical grid data: electricity demand reduction and response: energy storage solutions.	Southern California Edison (SCE) must consider expediting the permitting and deployment of cost-effective energy storage in the Aliso Canyon delivery area. . Direct SCE to deploy, pursuant to an all-source competitive solicitation, a minimum aggregate total of 20 megawatts of cost-effective energy storage solutions to address natural gas supply shortages due to the limited use of the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility. This requirement is contingent on the cost-effectiveness and feasibility of the procurement, and its contribution to reliability requirements. Energy storage procurement counts towards SCE's energy storage procurement requirements. Deposit fines and penalties levied on the Southern California Gas Company relating to the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility into a new account in the State Treasury. The funds must be used for mitigating air quality and ratepayer impacts in the Los Angeles Basin. Strongly consider expediting permitting, site acquisition, and interconnection of energy storage installations to support the objectives of this bill.	Public Utilities Code Sections 972, 2104.7, 2836.7, 9616, and 9618	Effective January 1, 2018
Energy; Consumer Affairs Branch	AB 1070	Gonzalez Fletcher	Solar energy systems: contracts: disclosures.	Consult with the Contractors' State Licensing Board (CSLB) on the development of a "solar energy system disclosure document" . Send complaints regarding solar energy systems companies and solar contractors to CSLB. Post the CSLB annual report documenting consumer complaints relating to solar contractors on the CPUCs website. Develop standardized inputs and assessments to be used in the calculation and presentation of electric utility bill savings to a consumer that can be expected by using a solar energy system. The inputs and assessments must additionally be posted on the CPUC and electrical corporations' websites.	Business and Professions Code Sections 7169 and 7170, and Public Utilities Code Section 2854.6	Effective January 1, 2018. Develop "solar energy system disclosure document" by July 1, 2018 .Post CSLB report on CPUC webpage by July 1, 2019. Develop standardized inputs and assumptions by July 1, 2019
Executive Office; Consumer Protection & Enforcement; Legal	SB 19	Hill	Public Utilities Commission: duties and responsibilities: governance.	Transfer administration, duties and responsibilities over the following entities: Private Carriers of Passengers to the Department of Motor Vehicles; Household Movers to the Department of Consumer Affairs' Bureau of Electronic and Appliance Repair, Home Furnishings and Thermal Insulation; For-Hire Vessels to the Department of Parks and Recreation's Division of Boating and Waterways; Commercial Air Operators to cities and counties. Enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Department of Consumer Affairs in order to share relevant data and information related to household movers. Restricts an executive of a "public	Business and Professions Code Sections 205 and 9810, 19225 - 19293, Harbors and Navigation Code Section 759, Public Utilities Code Sections 212, 303, 307.2, 307.5, 307.6, 309, 314.6, 321, 633, 912.3, 4025, 4675, 5340, 5503, 5503.5,	Effective January 1, 2018. Transfers must be complete by July 1, 2018.

Division	Bill	Author	Subject	Action	Code	Notable Dates
				utility” from serving as a commissioner within two years after leaving employment of an electric or natural gas investor owned utility. The Chief ALJ will be appointed by the CPUC and will organize, coordinate, supervise, and direct operations of the Division as directed by the CPUC. Appoint a Chief Internal who shall hold the office at the pleasure of the CPUC and be responsible for the oversight of the internal audit unit and plan, initiate, and perform audits of key financial, management, operational, and information technology functions to improve accountability and transparency to executive and state management. Additionally, this bill mandates some audits be immediately reported to the Legislature and governor. The General Counsel must designate an Ethics Officer within Legal Division to provide confidential advice to commissioners and employees of the Commission and institute a program of enhanced ethics training for all commissioners and employees. The Executive Director may authorize Commission employees to undertake temporary training and development assignments with other agencies, departments, and commissions. CPUC may conduct financial and performance audits of any entity or program created by any order, decision, motion, settlement or other action. The Public Advisor must receive complaints and comments from members of the public concerning the CPUC and shall maintain confidentiality. Notify the Attorney General before entering into a contract for legal services by attorneys who are not employees of the CPUC. Specify auditing standards to be used when auditing any entity or program created by any order, decision, motion, settlement, or other action of the CPUC.	5505, 5506, 5507, 5508, 5509, 5511 and 5512, Vehicle Code Sections 34505.7 and 34680 - 34693	
Executive Office; Energy	SB 385	Hueso	Public Utilities Commission: reports: programs: studies: ex parte communications.	Makes a number of technical changes to the Public Utilities Code, including centralizing Commission reporting requirements, striking expired timelines and reporting requirements, and deleting outdated provisions. Names the period of time following issuance of proposed CPUC decisions or orders in rate setting cases as "quiet periods," during which time ex parte communications are not permitted but closed sessions are allowed if three days' advance public notice is given; Clarifies that an existing required report of the CPUC to the Legislature regarding energy efficiency programs applies to those programs of the investor-owned utilities and	Public Utilities Code Sections 381.4, 421, 776, 883, 911.2, 913.9, 916.5, 1103, 1202, 1701.1, 1701.3, and 7931	Effective January 1, 2018. Biennially report duplicative energy efficiency programs in Public Utilities Code Section 913 Report starting December 31, 2018.

Division	Bill	Author	Subject	Action	Code	Notable Dates
				<p>requires the report is submitted biennially. Provides the CPUC with discretion to conduct one or more public meetings in affected geographic areas to inform the public of proposed area code changes and relief options.</p>		

APPENDIX B: 2017 FORMALLY TRACKED BILL SUMMARIES

[AB 25](#)

(Nazarian D) Tour buses: modified tour buses.

Status: 9/27/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 310, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 9/27/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current law defines “tour bus” for purposes of regulation under the Vehicle Code. Current law requires an operator of a tour bus to use a safety belt and to report any accidents involving the tour bus to the Department of the California Highway Patrol. This bill would provide that the definition includes a tour bus that has had its roof substantially structurally modified or removed. This bill contains other related provisions.

[AB 33](#)

(Quirk D) Transportation electrification: electric vehicle service equipment: electrical corporations: rates.

Status: 7/14/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was E. U., & C. on 6/14/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 7/14/2017-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require the PUC, by March 30, 2018, in consultation with the State Air Resources Board and the Energy Commission, to consider authorizing electrical corporations to offer programs and investments that support customers who purchase a used electric vehicle. If authorized by the PUC, the bill would require that the programs and investments be designed to accelerate widespread transportation electrification, achieve ratepayer benefits, reduce dependence on petroleum, meet air quality standards, and reduce emissions of greenhouse gases.

[AB 35](#)

(Quirk D) Residential and nonresidential buildings: energy savings program.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 3/23/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law requires the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to establish a regulatory proceeding to develop and implement a comprehensive program to achieve greater energy savings in California’s existing residential and nonresidential building stock. Current law requires the commission to periodically update the program criteria and adopt any revision that, in its judgment, is necessary to improve or refine program requirements after receiving public input and, at least once every 3 years, to adopt an update to the program in furtherance of achieving a cumulative doubling of statewide energy efficiency savings in electricity and natural gas final end uses of retail customers by January 1, 2030. This bill would require the commission to adopt an update to the program at least once every 5 years instead of every 3 years.

[AB 36](#)

(Nazarian D) Eligible fuel cell electrical generating facilities: energy metering.

Status: 10/9/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

Location: 10/9/2017-A. VETOED

Summary: Current law requires that an electrical corporation file with the Public Utilities Commission a standard tariff providing for this energy metering for eligible fuel cell customer-generators and make the tariff available to eligible fuel cell customer-generators upon request, on a first-come-first-served basis, until the total cumulative rated generating capacity of the eligible fuel cell electrical generating facilities receiving service pursuant to the tariff reaches a specified level. This bill would change “eligible fuel cell electrical generating facility” to “eligible electrical generating facility” and would additionally make eligible a facility that electromechanically converts fuel to electricity for purposes of the above-described energy metering program.

[AB 79](#)

(Levine D) Electrical generation: hourly greenhouse gas emissions: electricity from unspecified sources.

Status: 10/3/2017-Vetoed by Governor.

Location: 10/3/2017-A. VETOED

Summary: Would require, by January 1, 2019, the State Air Resources Board, in consultation with California balancing authorities, as defined, to update its inputs or methodology for the calculation of emissions of greenhouse gases associated with electricity from unspecified sources, a term defined in existing law but revised for this purpose. The bill would require the inputs or methodology to distinguish between those emissions associated with electricity from unspecified sources that is purchased within California balancing authority areas, as defined, and those emissions associated with electricity from unspecified sources imported into California from different subregions of the Western Electricity Coordinating Council.

[AB 96](#)

(Ting D) Budget Act of 2017.

Status: 6/2/2017-Re-referred to Com. on BUDGET.

Location: 1/19/2017-A. BUDGET

Summary: This bill would make appropriations for the support of state government for the 2017–18 fiscal year. This bill contains other related provisions.

[AB 151](#)

(Burke D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: market-based compliance mechanisms: scoping plan: report.

Status: 8/24/2017-Ordered to inactive file at the request of Assembly Member Burke.

Location: 8/24/2017-A. INACTIVE FILE

Summary: Would require the State Air Resources Board to report to the appropriate policy and fiscal committees of the Legislature to receive input, guidance, and assistance before adopting guidelines and regulations implementing the scoping plan and a regulation ensuring statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 40% below the 1990 level by 2030. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[AB 304](#)

(Eggman D) Public Utilities Commission: proceedings: intervenor compensation.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was U. & E. on 2/13/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law provides compensation for reasonable advocate’s fees, reasonable expert witness fees, and other reasonable costs for participation or intervention in any proceeding of the Public Utilities Commission. Current law specifies that no state, federal, or local government agency, publicly owned public utility, or entity that, in the commission’s opinion, was established or formed by a local government entity for the purpose of participating in a commission proceeding is eligible to receive that compensation, except as specified. This bill would authorize public school districts, county offices of education, and community college districts, and the authorized representatives of those entities, to receive that compensation.

[AB 311](#)

(Mathis R) Methane: dairy and livestock.

Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/6/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/12/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law requires the State Air Resources Board, in consultation with the Department of Food and Agriculture, to adopt regulations to reduce methane emissions from livestock manure management operations and dairy manure management operations consistent with the strategy, as specified. This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.

[AB 375](#)

(Chau D) Broadband Internet access service providers: customer privacy.

Status: 9/16/2017-Ordered to inactive file at the request of Senator McGuire.

Location: 9/16/2017-S. INACTIVE FILE

Summary: Would enact the California Broadband Internet Privacy Act. The act, beginning January 1, 2019, would, except as provided, prohibit broadband Internet access service providers, as defined, from using, disclosing, or permitting access to customer proprietary information, as defined.

- [AB 378](#) **(Garcia, Cristina D) Greenhouse gases, criteria air pollutants, and toxic air contaminants.**
Status: 9/11/2017-Reconsideration granted. Ordered to inactive file at the request of Assembly Member Cristina Garcia.
Location: 9/11/2017-A. INACTIVE FILE
Summary: The California Global Warming Solutions Act requires the State Air Resources Board, when adopting rules and regulations to achieve greenhouse gas emissions reductions beyond the statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit and to protect the state's most impacted and disadvantaged communities, to follow specified requirements, consider the social costs of the emissions of greenhouse gases, and prioritize specified emission reduction rules and regulations. This bill would require the state board to consider and account for the social costs of the emissions of greenhouse gases when adopting those rules and regulations.
- [AB 397](#) **(Gipson D) Public utilities: facility modernization.**
Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was U. & E. on 2/21/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)
Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR
Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to require an electrical or gas corporation to give preference to the modernization of its facilities serving disadvantaged communities if the corporation is authorized to collect ratepayer funds for the modernization of its facilities. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.
- [AB 523](#) **(Reves D) Electric Program Investment Charge: allocation.**
Status: 10/7/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 551, Statutes of 2017.
Location: 10/7/2017-A. CHAPTERED
Summary: Would require the Energy Commission, until July 1, 2023, to allocate at least 25% of the moneys in the Electric Program Investment Charge Fund for technology demonstration and deployment at sites located in, and benefiting, disadvantaged communities, as defined. The bill would require the Energy Commission to allocate at least an additional 10% of the moneys in the fund for technology demonstration and deployment at sites located in, and benefiting, low-income communities, as defined.
- [AB 524](#) **(Bigelow R) Public utilities: fines and settlements: 2015 Butte Fire.**
Status: 10/2/2017-Vetoed by Governor.
Location: 10/2/2017-A. VETOED
Summary: This bill would appropriate moneys resulting from 2 specified citations, issued by the Public Utilities Commission to the Pacific Gas and Electric Company for violations relating to the 2015 Butte Fire, to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection to be expended for the department's program known as the State Responsibility Area Fire Prevention Fund and Tree Mortality Grant Program.
- [AB 546](#) **(Chiu D) Land use: local ordinances: energy systems.**
Status: 9/30/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 380, Statutes of 2017.
Location: 9/30/2017-A. CHAPTERED
Summary: Would, on or before September 30, 2018, for a city, including a charter city, county, or city and county with a population of 200,000 or more residents, or January 31, 2019, for a city, including a charter city, county, or city and county with a population of less than 200,000 residents, require the city, county, or city and county to make all documentation and forms associated with the permitting of advanced energy storage, as defined, available on a publicly accessible Internet Web site, as specified. The bill would require a city, county, or city and county to allow for the electronic submittal of a permit application and associated documentation, except as specified.
- [AB 608](#) **(Irwin D) Electronic Communications Privacy Act.**
Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PUB. S. on 5/2/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/12/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law requires a warrant issued pursuant to the Electronic Communications Privacy Act to require that any information obtained through the execution of the warrant, that is unrelated to the objective of the warrant, be sealed and not be subject to further review, use, or disclosure. Current law also provides that the warrant may require that the information be destroyed as soon as feasible after the termination of the investigation and any related investigations or proceedings. This bill would specify the manner in which unrelated information obtained pursuant to a warrant is to be sealed, and by whom.

[AB 649](#)

(Dahle R) Community choice aggregators.

Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/14/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/12/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law requires the governing body of a community choice aggregator to adopt a policy that expressly prohibits the dissemination by the community choice aggregator of any statement relating to the community choice aggregator's rates or terms and conditions of service that is untrue or misleading, and that is known, or that, by the exercise of reasonable care, should be known to be untrue or misleading. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to the language requiring that the governing body of a community choice aggregator adopt a policy expressly prohibiting dissemination of false information relative to the community choice aggregator's rates or terms and conditions of service.

[AB 655](#)

(O'Donnell D) California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 3/23/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: The California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program requires the Public Utilities Commission to establish a renewables portfolio standard requiring all retail sellers, as defined, to procure a minimum quantity of electricity products from eligible renewable energy resources, as defined, so that the total kilowatt hours sold to their retail end-use customers achieves 25% of retail sales by December 31, 2016, 33% by December 31, 2020, 40% by December 31, 2024, 45% by December 31, 2027, and 50% by December 31, 2030. This bill This bill would provide that a facility engaged in the transformation of municipal solid waste is an eligible renewable energy resource, and can earn renewable energy credits, if it operates, on an annual basis, at not less than 20% below the permitted emissions of air contaminants, or toxic air contaminants concentration limits, for the facility and the operator of the facility has reported its emissions to the applicable air pollution control district or air quality management district for a period of not less than 5 years, as specified.

[AB 672](#)

(Jones-Sawyer D) Utility services.

Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was JUD. on 3/2/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/12/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law authorizes an electrical, gas, or water corporation, or any electrical, gas, or water system operated by a public agency, to bring a civil action for damages against any person who commits, authorizes, solicits, aids, abets, or attempts, among other things, the diversion of utility services by any means whatsoever. Current law authorizes the utility to recover as damages 3 times the amount of actual damages, plus the cost of the suit and reasonable attorney's fees, in any civil action brought pursuant to these provisions. This bill would authorize a defendant that prevails upon judgment to recover reasonable attorney's fees and costs of the suit from the utility.

[AB 726](#)

(Holden D) Energy.

Status: 9/12/2017-Re-referred to Com. on RLS. pursuant to Senate Rule 29.10(c).

Location: 9/12/2017-S. RLS.

Summary: Would repeal the current law governing the transformation of the ISO into a regional organization adopted as part of the Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act of 2015 and replace it with provisions authorizing the transformation of the ISO into a regional organization if the ISO governing board undertakes certain steps and the Commission on Regional Grid Transformation, which

the bill would create, makes specified findings by December 31, 2018. The bill would make inoperative other provisions of existing law relating to the ISO entering into a multistate entity or transforming into a regional organization unless the Commission on Regional Grid Transformation does not make the specified findings by that date.

[AB 758](#)

(Eggman D) Transportation: Tri-Valley-San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority.

Status: 10/13/2017-Chaptered by Secretary of State- Chapter 747, Statutes of 2017

Location: 10/13/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would establish the Tri-Valley-San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority for purposes of planning, developing, and delivering cost-effective and responsive transit connectivity between the Bay Area Rapid Transit District's rapid transit system and the Altamont Corridor Express commuter rail service in the Tri-Valley, that meets the goals and objectives of the community, as specified. The bill would require the authority's governing board to be composed of 15 representatives.

[AB 759](#)

(Dahle R) Electricity: electrical cooperatives: integrated resource plan.

Status: 7/31/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 140, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 7/31/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current law requires each load-serving entity to prepare and file an integrated resource plan consistent with certain requirements on a time schedule directed by the commission and subject to Public Utilities Commission review. This bill would provide that, for a load-serving entity that is electrical cooperative, the above requirements only apply if the electrical cooperative has an annual electrical demand exceeding 700 gigawatt hours, as determined on a 3-year average commencing January 1, 2013.

[AB 797](#)

(Irwin D) Solar thermal systems.

Status: 10/4/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 473, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 10/4/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: The Solar Water Heating and Efficiency Act of 2007 requires the governing body of each publicly owned utility providing gas service to retail end-use customers to adopt, implement, and finance a solar water heating system incentive program to encourage the installation of 200,000 solar water heating systems by 2017. This bill would revise the program to, among other things, promote the installation of solar thermal systems throughout the state, reserve 50% of the total program budget for the installation of solar thermal systems in low-income residential housing or in buildings in disadvantaged communities, expand the program to homeowners that lack access to natural gas and rely on propane or wood burning to fulfill their space heating, water heating, and cooking needs who are being considered to receive natural gas and who reside in the San Joaquin Valley communities identified by the commission.

[AB 803](#)

(Quirk D) Energy: low-income energy efficiency programs.

Status: 9/1/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(12). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 7/10/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 9/1/2017-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to establish programs to assist low-income electricity and gas customers. Current law requires the commission, not less often than every 3rd year, to conduct an assessment of the needs of low-income electricity and gas ratepayers. This bill would require the commission to conduct a new assessment not less often than every 5th year, instead of every 3rd year. The bill would require the assessment to additionally evaluate the impacts of low-income programs on low-income households and consider whether available technologies, in combination with existing programs, adequately address those low-income electricity and gas customers' concerns.

[AB 813](#)

(Holden D) Electricity: Independent System Operator: California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: procurement.

Status: 9/8/2017-From committee chair, with author's amendments: Amend, and re-refer to committee. Read second time, amended, and re-referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 8/31/2017-S. RLS.

Summary: Would repeal the existing law governing the transformation of the ISO into a regional organization adopted as part of the Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act of 2015 and replace it with provisions authorizing the transformation of the ISO into a regional organization if the ISO governing board undertakes certain steps and the Commission on Regional Grid Transformation, which the bill would create, makes specified findings by December 31, 2018. The bill would make inoperative other provisions of existing law relating to the ISO entering into a multistate entity or transforming into a regional organization unless the Commission on Regional Grid Transformation does not make the specified findings by that date.

[AB 854](#)

(Aguiar-Curry D) California Advanced Services Fund.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was C. & C. on 3/2/2017) (May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to collect a surcharge for deposit into the CASF not to exceed \$315,000,000 in total, authorizes the surcharge until 2020, and requires that those moneys be deposited into 3 specified accounts within the CASF, as specified. Current law requires the commission to transfer a total of \$25,000,000 from 2 of those accounts to a 4th account, the Broadband Public Housing Account, which is also in the CASF, but only if the commission is otherwise authorized to collect moneys for CASF purposes in excess of \$315,000,000. This bill would repeal the condition that the commission must be authorized to collect more than \$315,000,000 for CASF purposes before transferring the \$25,000,000 to the Broadband Public Housing Account.

[AB 867](#)

(Cooley D) Political Reform Act of 1974: contributions.

Status: 10/13/2017-Chaptered by Secretary of State- Chapter 749, Statutes of 2017

Location: 10/13/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would recast the provisions that define the term “contribution” for purposes of the Political Reform Act of 1974, including provisions describing behested payments that are not contributions and the reporting requirements for behested payments, as defined. The bill would also make technical, nonsubstantive conforming changes. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[AB 914](#)

(Mullin D) Transmission planning: energy storage and demand response.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was U. & E. on 3/2/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission, in its oversight of large electrical corporations and its participation in the ISO’s transmission planning process, to promote the consideration of the use of nonwire alternatives, as defined, as means to address the state’s transmission needs before the use of transmission wires. The bill would require the commission to ensure that transmission facility owners take certain actions in the transmission planning process regarding nonwire alternatives.

[AB 920](#)

(Aguiar-Curry D) Electricity: procurement plans: integrated resource plans.

Status: 9/1/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(12). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/21/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 9/1/2017-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law requires the PUC to identify a diverse and balanced portfolio of resources needed to ensure a reliable electricity supply that provides optimal integration of renewable energy in a cost-effective manner, and specifies the respective roles of electrical corporations and community choice aggregators in satisfying the portfolio needs for renewable integration. This bill would specify that a “diverse and balanced portfolio of resources” includes an appropriate mix of renewable capacity, including peaking, dispatchable, baseload, firm, and as-available capacity.

[AB 928](#)

(Quirk D) Telecommunications: California Advanced Services Fund.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was C. & C. on

3/2/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law establishes as the goal of the CASF program to approve funding, no later than December 31, 2015, for infrastructure projects that will provide broadband access to no less than 98% of California households. Decisions of the commission, including Decision 14-12-039, establish procedures for a party to apply for a grant or loan to finance an infrastructure project that furthers that goal, for a party to challenge that application, and for the commission to select an application through the issuance of a draft resolution for public comment and a subsequent final resolution. This bill would revise the goal of the CASF program to approve funding, no later than December 31, 2020, for infrastructure projects that will provide broadband access to no less than 98% of the number of California households. households in existence on January 1, 2016.

[AB 956](#)

(Ting D) Energy assistance: corner stores.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was U. & E. on

3/2/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require each electrical corporation and gas corporation to develop a program, subject to the direction and supervision of the Public Utilities Commission, that provides incentives and assistance to owners, operators, or lessees of corner stores, as defined, to reduce their electricity and gas bills through conservation and energy efficiency improvements in order to improve community access to healthy and fresh food options.

[AB 980](#)

(Wood D) Department of Transportation: broadband: fiber optic cables: priority areas.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was C. & C. on

3/20/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law requires the Department of Transportation to notify companies and organizations working on broadband deployment on its Internet Web site of specified department-led highway construction projects and authorizes those companies and organizations to collaborate with the department to install broadband conduits as part of those projects. This bill would require the department, as part of those projects that are located in priority areas, as defined, to install broadband conduits capable of supporting fiber optic communication cables.

[AB 1030](#)

(Ting D) Energy storage systems.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was L. & E. on

3/9/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would establish 4 energy policy goals of the state with respect to energy storage and would require the PUC, on behalf of electrical corporations, and require the governing board, on behalf of a local publicly owned electric utility, to undertake specified actions with respect to customer- and load-sited energy storage systems in order to achieve those energy policy goals, including a rebate program dedicated to energy storage that carves out a portion of funding for low-income customers and disadvantaged communities.

[AB 1034](#)

(Chau D) Government interruption of communications.

Status: 9/27/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 322, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 9/27/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would prohibit any government entity, or service provider acting at the request of a government entity, from interrupting a communication service either to prevent the communications service from being used for an illegal purpose or to protect public health, safety, or welfare. The bill would authorize a government entity to interrupt a communications service for either of those purposes in an extreme emergency situation, as specified, or if the interruption is authorized by a court order.

[AB 1066](#)

(Aguiar-Curry D) Public works: definition.

Status: 10/9/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 616, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 10/9/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current law defines the term “public works” for purposes of requirements regarding the payment of prevailing wages to include construction, alteration, demolition, installation, or repair work done under contract and paid for in whole or in part out of public funds, except as specified. Current law makes a willful violation of laws relating to the payment of prevailing wages on public works a misdemeanor. This bill would expand the meaning of the term “public works” to include specific types of tree removal work. By expanding the definition of “public works,” this bill would expand the scope of a crime.

[AB 1069](#)

(Low D) Local government: taxicab transportation services.

Status: 10/13/2017-Chaptered by Secretary of State- Chapter 753, Statues of 2017

Location: 10/13/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current law, referred to as the pull-notice system, requires the prospective employer of a driver who drives a specified vehicle to obtain a report showing the driver’s current public record as recorded by the Department of Motor Vehicles, as specified. A violation of this provision of the Vehicle Code is a crime. This bill, commencing January 1, 2019, would limit the applicability of that ordinance or resolution adoption requirement and related provisions to a city or county, including a charter city or charter county, in which a taxicab company is substantially located, and the City and County of San Francisco, regardless of whether a taxicab company is substantially located in the city and county.

[AB 1070](#)

(Gonzalez Fletcher D) Solar energy systems: contracts: disclosures.

Status: 10/11/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 662, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 10/11/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would require the Contractors’ State License Board, in collaboration with the Public Utilities Commission, on or before July 1, 2018, to develop and make available on its Internet Web site a disclosure document that provides a consumer with accurate, clear, and concise information regarding the installation of a solar energy system, as specified. The bill would require this disclosure document to be provided by the solar energy systems company to the consumer prior to completion of a sale, financing, or lease of a solar energy system, as defined, and that it, and the contract, be written in the same language as was principally used in the sales presentation and marketing material.

[AB 1082](#)

(Burke D) Transportation electrification: electric vehicle charging infrastructure: school facilities and other educational institutions.

Status: 10/10/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 637, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 10/10/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would authorize an electrical corporation to file with the PUC, by July 30, 2018, a pilot program proposal for the installation of vehicle charging stations at school facilities and other educational institutions, giving priority to school facilities and other educational institutions located in disadvantaged communities, as defined. The bill would require the PUC to review, modify if appropriate, and decide whether to approve a pilot program proposal filed by an electrical corporation by December 31, 2018.

[AB 1083](#)

(Burke D) Transportation electrification: electric vehicle charging infrastructure: state parks and beaches.

Status: 10/10/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 638, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 10/10/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would authorize an electrical corporation, in consultation with the Department of Parks and Recreation, PUC, Energy Commission, and State Air Resources Board, to file with the PUC, by July 30, 2018, a pilot program proposal for the installation of electric vehicle charging stations at state parks and beaches within its service territory. The bill would require the PUC to review, modify if appropriate, and

decide whether to approve a pilot program proposal filed by an electrical corporation by December 31, 2018. The bill would require the department to determine which state parks or beaches are suitable for charging stations.

[AB 1088](#)

(Eggman D) Multifamily residential housing: energy programs.

Status: 9/1/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(12). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 8/28/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 9/1/2017-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require the Energy Commission, by January 1, 2020, and in consultation with relevant state agencies and the public, to establish nonbinding statewide targets that are cost effective and feasible for reducing energy consumption and emissions of greenhouse gases from multifamily residential properties by January 1, 2030, taking into consideration the state's requirements for reducing emissions of greenhouse gases and the climate equity, doubling of energy efficiency, and increased use of renewable energy resources requirements set forth in the Clean Energy and Pollution Reduction Act of 2015.

[AB 1091](#)

(Quirk D) Balloons: electrically conductive material.

Status: 9/11/2017-Stricken from file.

Location: 7/31/2017-A. VETOED

Summary: Current law makes it a crime to release, outdoors, balloons made of electrically conductive material and filled with a gas lighter than air as part of a public or civic event, promotional activity, or product advertisement. This bill would require that the balloon be released willfully, and would delete the requirement that the balloon be released as part of a public or civic event, promotional activity, or product advertisement in order to violate the law. By changing the definition of a crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

[AB 1117](#)

(Fong R) California Environmental Quality Act.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 3/6/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would prohibit a lead agency from being required to evaluate the aesthetic effects of a project subject to CEQA and would prohibit aesthetic effects from being considered significant effects on the environment, except in certain circumstances. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[AB 1145](#)

(Quirk D) Conversion of existing overhead electric and communication facilities to underground locations: cable television corporations and cable operators.

Status: 10/14/2017-Signed by the Governor

Location: 10/14/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current law authorizes the Department of Transportation and any person maintaining any utility facility, as defined, to enter into a contract providing for or apportioning the obligations and costs to be borne by each party as to specified removals or relocations of utility facilities. This bill would include with the definition of "utility facilities" for these purposes any pole, poleline, pipe, pipeline, conduit, cable, aqueduct, or other structure or appurtenance used to provide cable service or video service, as defined in the Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act of 2006.

[AB 1152](#)

(Dahle R) Vehicles: motor carriers.

Status: 5/26/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/10/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/26/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would change the definition of a pickup truck, for purposes of the Motor Carriers of Property Permit Act, to include a motor truck with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating of less than 16,000 pounds that is equipped with an open box-type bed not exceeding 9 feet in length that may be equipped with a bed-mounted storage compartment unit commonly called a "utility body."

- [AB 1169](#) **(Chávez R) Electricity: residential rates.**
Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)
Location: 5/12/2017-A. 2 YEAR
Summary: Current law authorizes the Public Utilities Commission, beginning January 1, 2015, to authorize fixed electricity charges that do not exceed a specified amount per residential customer account per month. Current law, beginning January 1, 2016, authorizes the adjustment of the maximum allowable fixed charge by no more than the annual percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index for the prior calendar year. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to that provision.
- [AB 1184](#) **(Ting D) Vehicular air pollution: incentives.**
Status: 9/7/2017-Ordered to inactive file at the request of Senator Stern.
Location: 9/7/2017-S. INACTIVE FILE
Summary: Current law establishes the Air Quality Improvement Program that is administered by the State Air Resources Board for the purposes of funding projects related to, among other things, the reduction of criteria air pollutants and improvement of air quality. This bill would require the state board, by January 1, 2019, to submit to the Legislature a report on the operations of its vehicle incentive programs containing specified information.
- [AB 1198](#) **(Dahle R) Net energy metering.**
Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was U. & E. on 3/9/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)
Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR
Summary: Current law requires a large electrical corporation to offer this standard contract or tariff to an eligible customer-generator beginning July 1, 2017, or prior to that date if ordered to do so by the commission because it has reached the net energy metering program limit, as specified, established for the corporation. Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to ensure that the standard contract or tariff made available to eligible customer-generators ensures that customer-sited renewable distributed generation continues to grow sustainably and include specific alternatives designed for growth among residential customers in disadvantaged communities. This bill would instead require that the specific alternatives be designed for growth among residential customers in lower income households, as defined.
- [AB 1239](#) **(Holden D) Building standards: electric vehicle charging infrastructure.**
Status: 10/12/2017-Vetoed by Governor.
Location: 10/12/2017-A. VETOED
Summary: Would express legislative findings and declarations relating to the adoption of building standards to increase electric vehicle charging infrastructure. The bill would require the Department of Housing and Community Development and the California Building Standards Commission to research, develop, and propose for adoption building standards regarding electric vehicle capable parking spaces for existing parking structures and lots, as specified, located adjacent to, or associated with, multifamily dwellings and nonresidential buildings in a triennial edition of the California Building Standards Code adopted after January 1, 2018, as specified.
- [AB 1263](#) **(Garcia, Eduardo D) Communications infrastructure.**
Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)
Location: 5/12/2017-A. 2 YEAR
Summary: Would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation to improve communications infrastructure and access and to specifically address the resources servicing low-income and disadvantaged communities.
- [AB 1291](#) **(Patterson R) Electricity: rates: baseline quality.**
Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was U. & E. on 3/13/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law requires every electrical corporation to file a schedule of rates and charges providing baseline rates that apply to the first or lowest block, which is the baseline quantity, of an increasing block rate structure. Under its existing authority, the commission has established electricity baseline quantities for the summer and winter seasons for the Pacific Gas and Electric Company. The bill would require the commission to establish the electricity baseline quantities for the Pacific Gas and Electric Company, as specified.

[AB 1292](#)

(Patterson R) Electrical corporations: computation of average residential consumption of electricity and the baseline quantity for electricity usage.

Status: 9/16/2017-Ordered to inactive file at the request of Senator McGuire.

Location: 9/16/2017-S. INACTIVE FILE

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission, when computing the average residential consumption of electricity and the baseline quantity for electricity usage, to appropriately account for any consumption that is met by residential customer generation located on the customer's side of the meter.

[AB 1293](#)

(Irwin D) Electricity: rates: proposed investments: data.

Status: 5/26/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/10/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/26/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require local publicly owned electric utilities, when adjusting their rates, to collect and analyze data supporting their proposed investments in the electrical grid. The bill would require those utilities to make that data and analysis publicly available and, upon request, to electronically transfer that data and analysis to the requester. The bill would require that the data and analysis be in a digital, machine-readable format. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[AB 1342](#)

(Flora R) Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: healthy forest programs, organic waste projects, and recycling projects.

Status: 5/26/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/17/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/26/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would make moneys from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, upon appropriation, available to the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection for healthy forest programs that reduce greenhouse gas emissions caused by uncontrolled wildfires, as specified; to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery for instate organic waste recycling projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions, as specified; and to the Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery for instate recycling projects that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and help achieve the state's policy goal that not less than 75% of solid waste generated be source reduced, recycled, or composted by the year 2020.

[AB 1383](#)

(Fong R) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: regulations.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was NAT. RES. on 3/13/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: The State Air Resources Board is required to approve a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide greenhouse gas emissions level in 1990 to be achieved by 2020 and to ensure that statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 40% below the 1990 level by 2030. The California Global Warming Solutions Act requires the state board to adopt rules and regulations in an open public process to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emissions reductions. This bill would require the state board to take specified actions and make specified findings prior to adopting a regulation under the act.

[AB 1385](#)

(Quirk D) State contracts: California Council on Science and Technology.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was A. & A.R. on 4/3/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would, until January 1, 2023, authorize specified state entities to each enter into no more than 2 contracts for specified services per calendar year, each for an amount of no more than \$500,000, with the California Council on Science and Technology without competition and would exempt the contract from specified state contracting procedures and requirements. The bill would require the council to provide the Legislature annual reports no later than January 1 of each year and a final report to the Legislature on or before December 31, 2021, as specified.

[AB 1400](#)

(Friedman D) Public Interest Research, Development, and Demonstration Program and Electric Program Investment Charge program: microgrid projects: diesel backup generators.

Status: 10/4/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State - Chapter 476, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 10/4/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current decisions of the PUC institute an Electric Program Investment Charge (EPIC) to fund renewable energy and research, development, and demonstration programs. Current law creates in the State Treasury the Electric Program Investment Charge Fund to be administered by the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission (Energy Commission) and requires the PUC to forward to the Energy Commission at least quarterly moneys for those EPIC programs the PUC has determined should be administered by the Energy Commission for deposit in the fund. This bill would, for projects related to the deployment of microgrids, prohibit recipients of moneys awarded under the above 2 programs from expending those moneys for the purchase of diesel generators.

[AB 1405](#)

(Mullin D) Advanced Digital Network Act.

Status: 9/11/2017-Read second time. Ordered to third reading. Re-referred to Com. on RLS. pursuant to Senate Rule 29.10(c).

Location: 9/11/2017-S. RLS.

Summary: Would enact the Advanced Digital Network Act. The bill would authorize the Department of Transportation, subject to federal approval, to enter into a specified comprehensive development lease agreement pursuant to a best value competitive procurement process for a project with a public or private entity, or a consortia thereof, to install and operate a network of new digital signs within the rights-of-way of the state highway system that would display commercial advertising and public service messages.

[AB 1431](#)

(Arambula D) Energy efficiency: renewable energy resources: energy affordability.

Status: 5/26/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/17/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/26/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: This bill, on or before January 1, 2019, would require the Energy Commission to organize a working group with the PUC, the Department of Community Services and Development, the State Department of Social Services, energy utilities, as defined, 3rd-party administrators, as defined, and representatives of community-based organizations or other entities involved in outreach for, or implementation of, the various state and state-supervised programs that are targeted toward low-income consumers and disadvantaged communities, including programs to promote energy efficiency, including weatherization, programs to promote utilization of renewable energy resources, and rate assistance programs.

[AB 1494](#)

(Patterson R) Energy efficiency.

Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/12/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law authorizes the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to prescribe, by regulation, energy efficiency standards, including appliance efficiency standards. This bill would make nonsubstantive revisions to these provisions.

[AB 1531](#)

(Berman D) Court fees: electronic filing.

Status: 9/15/2017-Re-referred to Com. on RLS. pursuant to Assembly Rule 96.

Location: 9/15/2017-A. RLS.

Summary: Current law authorizes a court or agent of the court to impose a fee, subject to Judicial Council approval, for the use of a credit or debit card or electronic funds transfer, as specified. Existing law, for purposes of this provision, deems an electronic filing service provider who is required to collect and remit a filing fee or other court fee to complete an electronic filing transaction to be an agent of the court solely for that purpose, unless otherwise specified. This bill, in case of a duplicate payment by a party or an electronic filing service provider submitting a payment on behalf of a party, would require the court to issue any appropriate refund to the entity that made the most recent payment. The bill also would make a conforming change.

[AB 1547](#)

(Quirk-Silva D) California Development Financing Authority.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was J., E.D. & E. on 3/16/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would, commencing on March 15, 2019, abolish the California Industrial Development Financing Advisory Commission, the California Pollution Control Financing Authority and the California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority, and transfer all duties, powers, purposes, responsibilities, and jurisdiction of those entities into the California Development Financing Authority, which would be established by this bill.

[AB 1552](#)

(Quirk-Silva D) Women, minority, disabled veteran, and LGBT business enterprise procurement: late payment penalties.

Status: 9/15/2017-Re-referred to Com. on RLS. pursuant to Assembly Rule 96.

Location: 9/15/2017-A. RLS.

Summary: Current law requires each electrical, gas, water, wireless telecommunications service provider, or telephone corporation with gross annual revenues exceeding \$25,000,000, and its commission-regulated subsidiaries and affiliates, to annually submit a detailed and verifiable plan for increasing procurement from women, minority, disabled veteran, and LGBT business enterprises, as defined. This bill would require each electrical, gas, water, mobile telephony service provider, or telephone corporation, with gross annual revenues exceeding \$25,000,000, and its commission-regulated subsidiaries and affiliates, to pay an undisputed invoice by its required payment approval date, as defined. If the payment is not made by that date, the bill would require the utility to pay a late payment penalty to a disabled veteran, minority, women, or LGBT business enterprise claimant a penalty at a rate of 10% above the United States Prime Rate, and to all other claimants a penalty at a rate of 1% above the Pooled Money Investment Account daily rate, of the amount of the late undisputed invoice, as specified.

[AB 1573](#)

(Bloom D) Green Tariff Shared Renewables Program.

Status: 7/14/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was E. U., & C. on 6/8/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 7/14/2017-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law requires a participating utility of the Green Tariff Shared Renewables Program to permit its customers to purchase electricity pursuant to the tariff until the utility meets its proportionate share of a statewide limitation of 600 megawatts of customer participation. Current law reserves specified amounts of the 600 megawatts to certain consumers and categories of consumers. Current law limits the nameplate rated generating capacity of a generating facility eligible under the program to 20 megawatts or less. This bill would increase the maximum nameplate generating capacity for a generating facility that is eligible under the program to 30 megawatts.

[AB 1580](#)

(Obernolte R) Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act of 2006: franchise renewal.

Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/12/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: The Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act of 2006 designates the Public Utilities Commission as the sole franchising authority for a state franchise under the act. Current law provides

that a state-issued franchise to provide video service is only valid for 10 years after the date of issuance, and requires the holder to apply for a renewal of the state franchise for an additional 10-year period if the holder wishes to continue to provide video services in the area covered by the franchise. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to the provision specifying conditions for renewal of a franchise under the act.

[AB 1581](#)

(Obernolte R) Charter-party carriers: transportation of passengers for compensation.

Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/12/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: The Passenger Charter-party Carriers' Act provides for the regulation of motor carriers operating as charter-party carriers of passengers by the Public Utilities Commission. Current law defines a charter-party carrier of passengers, subject to certain exceptions, to mean every person engaged in the transportation of persons by motor vehicle for compensation, whether in common or contract carriage, over any public highway. Current law states the purpose of these provisions. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to these provisions.

[AB 1588](#)

(Eggman D) Telecommunications: duties of local exchange carriers.

Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/12/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Under current law, the Public Utilities Commission has regulatory authority over public utilities, including telephone corporations. Current law requires the commission to require all telephone corporations that are local exchange carriers to include information in their telephone directories and to annually provide information to all subscribers, in the form of a billing insert, concerning emergency situations that may affect the telephone network. This bill would make nonsubstantive revisions to these requirements.

[AB 1653](#)

(Kiley R) Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act of 2011.

Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/12/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: The Natural Gas Pipeline Safety Act of 2011 designates the Public Utilities Commission as the state authority responsible for regulating and enforcing federal law with respect to intrastate gas pipeline transportation and pipeline facilities, including the development, submission, and administration of a state pipeline safety program certification for natural gas pipelines. Current law defines various terms for purposes of the act. This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change to that provision.

[AB 1662](#)

(Obernolte R) Net energy metering.

Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was PRINT on 2/17/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/12/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Under current law, generation eligible for net energy metering that had all local and state permits required to commence construction on or before December 31, 2002, and had completed construction on or before September 30, 2003, is entitled, regardless of any change in customer or ownership of the energy system, for the life of the installation, to the net energy metering terms in effect on the date the local and state permits were acquired. This bill would make a nonsubstantive change to that provision.

[AB 1665](#)

(Garcia, Eduardo D) Telecommunications: California Advanced Services Fund.

Status: 10/15/2017-Signed by the Governor

Location: 10/15/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to develop, implement, and administer the CASF to encourage deployment of high-quality advanced communications services to all Californians that will promote economic growth, job creation, and the substantial social benefits of

advanced information and communications technologies, as provided in specified decisions of the commission and in the CASF statute. This bill would revise the goal of the program to provide that its goal is to approve funding by December 31, 2022, for infrastructure projects that will provide broadband access to no less than 98% of California households in each consortia region, as identified by the commission on or before January 1, 2017.

AB 1668

(Friedman D) Water management planning.

Status: 9/15/2017-From committee: Do pass and re-refer to Com. on RLS. (Ayes 5. Noes 0.) (September 15). Re-referred to Com. on RLS.

Location: 9/15/2017-S. RLS.

Summary: Current law requires the state to achieve a 20% reduction in urban per capita water use in California by December 31, 2020. Current law requires each urban retail water supplier to develop urban water use targets and an interim urban water use target, as specified. This bill would require the State Water Resources Control Board, in coordination with the Department of Water Resources, to adopt long-term standards for the efficient use of water, as provided, and performance measures for commercial, industrial, and institutional water use on or before June 30, 2021.

AB 1683

(Burke D) Transformative Climate Communities Program: report.

Status: 7/14/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was RLS. on 6/5/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 7/14/2017-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law establishes the Transformative Climate Communities Program, administered by the Strategic Growth Council, to award competitive grants to specified eligible entities for the development and implementation of neighborhood-level transformative climate community plans that include greenhouse gas emissions reduction projects that provide local economic, environmental, and health benefits to disadvantaged communities, as defined. This bill would require the council, no later than January 1, 2019, to submit a specified report on the program to the Governor and specified committees of the Legislature.

AJR 7

(Mullin D) Internet: net neutrality: access.

Status: 9/5/2017-Chaptered by Secretary of State- Chapter 151, Statutes of 2017

Location: 9/5/2017-A. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would declare that the Legislature strongly supports, and would respectfully urge the President of the United States and Members of the United States Congress to continue to protect, net neutrality, open Internet access, the federal Lifeline program's discounted telephone service for qualifying low-income consumers, and the E-rate program's discounted telecommunication and Internet access services for schools and libraries. The measure would declare that the Legislature views these as high priorities for California and the country, and opposes any federal efforts to rescind or block them.

SB 19

(Hill D) Public Utilities Commission: duties and responsibilities: governance.

Status: 10/2/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 421, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 10/2/2017-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current law imposes upon household goods carriers, and every person or corporation, owning or operating motor vehicles in the transportation of property for hire upon the public highways, under the jurisdiction of the commission, a license fee equal to 1/10 of 1% of the gross revenue, as defined. This bill would, on July 1, 2018, rename household goods carriers "household movers" for purposes of this regulatory and fee authority, revise and recast the regulatory requirements imposed on household movers, and transfer that regulatory authority to the Division of Household Movers within the Bureau of Electronic and Appliance Repair, Home Furnishings, and Thermal Insulation in the Department of Consumer Affairs.

SB 20

(Hill D) Vehicles: buses: seatbelts.

Status: 10/8/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 593, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 10/8/2017-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would require a passenger who is 16 years of age or older in a bus that is equipped with safety belts to be properly restrained by a safety belt and would require a motor carrier to maintain those safety belts in good working order for the use of the passengers. The bill would prohibit a parent, legal guardian, or chartering party from transporting on a bus that is equipped with safety belts, or permitting to be transported on a bus that is equipped with safety belts, a child, ward, or passenger who is 8 years of age or older, but under 16 years of age, unless he or she is properly restrained by a safety belt.

SB 57

(Stern D) Natural gas storage: moratorium.

Status: 9/15/2017-Ordered to inactive file on request of Senator Stern.

Location: 9/15/2017-S. INACTIVE FILE

Summary: The Public Utilities Commission under current law, is authorized to supervise and regulate every public utility in the state. Current law requires the commission, no later than July 1, 2017, to open a proceeding to determine the feasibility of minimizing or eliminating use of the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility located in the County of Los Angeles while still maintaining energy and electric reliability for the region, and to consult with specified entities in making its determination. This bill would require the supervisor to continue that prohibition until a specified root cause analysis of the natural gas leak from the facility that started approximately October 23, 2015, has been completed and released in its entirety to the public.

SB 64

(Wieckowski D) Independent System Operator: integration of generation from renewable energy resources.

Status: 7/14/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was U. & E. on 5/22/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 7/14/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require the ISO by January 1, 2019, in consultation with the PUC, Energy Commission, State Air Resources Board, and the public, to review and revise its operations to minimize any logistical impediments, including export limits, to day-ahead scheduling of intermittent generation from renewable energy resources between the ISO and other balancing area authorities, in order to address any over-supply of generation from renewable energy resources at times when it is inexpensive and abundant. The bill would provide that it does not authorize the ISO to change its governance, transform into a regional organization, or avoid compliance with any requirement of federal law

SB 71

(Wiener D) Electricity: solar energy systems.

Status: 7/14/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was U. & E. on 6/12/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 7/14/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Regulations on building standards adopted by the Energy Commission require certain residential and nonresidential buildings to have a solar zone, as defined, on the roof of the building that is designated and reserved for solar electric or solar thermal systems and that meets certain specifications relating to minimum area, orientation, and shading, among other things. This bill would require the Energy Commission to consider requiring, and would authorize the Energy Commission to update the building efficiency standards to require, a rooftop solar energy generation system, appropriately sized to be cost effective, to be installed in the solar zone of those buildings, during the construction of those buildings, by January 1, 2020, for residential buildings and by January 1, 2023, for nonresidential buildings.

SB 72

(Mitchell D) Budget Act of 2017.

Status: 5/26/2017-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on B. & F.R.

Location: 1/11/2017-S. BUDGET & F.R.

Summary: This bill would make appropriations for the support of state government for the 2017–18 fiscal year. This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as a Budget Bill.

SB 100

(De León D) California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program: emissions of greenhouse gases.

Status: 9/11/2017-September 11 hearing postponed by committee. From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on U. & E.

Location: 9/8/2017-A. U. & E.

Summary: The Legislature has found and declared that its intent in implementing the California Renewables Portfolio Standard Program requires the PUC is to attain, among other targets for sale of eligible renewable resources, the target of 50% of total retail sales of electricity by December 31, 2030. This bill would revise the above-described legislative findings and declarations to state that the goal of the program is to achieve that 50% renewable resources target by December 31, 2026, and to achieve a 60% target by December 31, 2030.

SB 110

(Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) Clean Energy Job Creation Program and citizen oversight board.

Status: 7/10/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 55, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 7/10/2017-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current law, until fiscal year 2017–18, provides for the allocation of moneys in the Clean Energy Job Creation Fund to local educational agencies and community college districts, as specified, and requires that funds remaining after the 2017–18 fiscal year continue to be available in future years for loans to local educational agencies and community college districts. Current law, until July 1, 2019, prescribes the operation of the Citizens Oversight Board and establishes the authority and duties of the board, which relate to assessing the effectiveness of the expenditures from the fund in meeting the act's objectives. This bill would appropriate available remaining funds in the Job Creation Fund, as determined by the State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission as of March 1, 2018, for purposes relating to improving energy efficiency at local educational agencies, as specified.

SB 137

(Allen D) Transit districts: ordinances.

Status: 7/14/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was TRANS. on 6/1/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 7/14/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law imposes various requirements on transit districts relating to the passage of ordinances. This bill would, in addition to any other requirements, require a transit district to publish an ordinance on its Internet Web site, or the otherwise appropriate Internet Web site, within 15 days after the ordinance's passage and in a manner that is accessible and easily navigable. By requiring a local agency to perform an additional duty, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program.

SB 146

(Wilk R) Water resources: permit to appropriate: protected species.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was N.R. & W. on 1/26/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Under current law, the State Water Resources Control Board administers a water rights program pursuant to which the board grants permits and licenses to appropriate water. Current law prohibits the taking or possession of a fully protected fish, except as provided, and designates the unarmored threespine stickleback as a fully protected fish. This bill would prohibit the board from issuing on or after January 1, 2018, a new permit to appropriate water from any river or stream that has, or is reasonably expected to have, a population of unarmored threespine stickleback.

SB 174

(Lara D) Public utilities: settlement: 2015 power outages: City of Long Beach.

Status: 8/28/2017-Referred to Com. on U. & E.

Location: 8/28/2017-A. U. & E.

Summary: Would appropriate moneys resulting from a settlement agreement between Southern California Edison Company and the Public Utilities Commission for power outages that occurred in the City of Long Beach in the summer of 2015 to the City of Long Beach for certain public infrastructure projects located in, or benefitting, areas affected by the outages. This bill would make legislative findings and declarations as to the necessity of a special statute for the City of Long Beach.

[SB 182](#) **(Bradford D) Transportation network company: participating drivers: single business license.**
Status: 10/13/2017-Chaptered by Secretary of State- Chapter 769, Statutes of 2017
Location: 10/13/2017-S. CHAPTERED
Summary: Would prohibit any local jurisdiction, as defined, that requires a driver, as defined, to obtain a business license, as defined, to operate as a driver for a transportation network company, from requiring that driver to obtain more than a single business license, as specified, regardless of the number of local jurisdictions in which the driver operates. The bill would require the driver to obtain a business license in the local jurisdiction in which the driver is domiciled, except as specified. The bill would require each transportation network company to notify its drivers of the obligations set forth in these provisions.

[SB 242](#) **(Skinner D) Property Assessed Clean Energy program: program administrator.**
Status: 10/4/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 484, Statutes of 2017.
Location: 10/4/2017-S. CHAPTERED
Summary: Current law authorizes a public agency, or an entity that administers a PACE financing program on behalf of and with the written consent of a public agency, to issue PACE bonds that are secured by voluntary contractual assessments, voluntary special taxes, or special taxes on property to assist property owners in financing the installation of distributed generation renewable energy sources, electric vehicle charging infrastructure, or energy or water efficiency improvements. The bill would require a program administrator, before a property owner executes an assessment contract, as defined, to make an oral confirmation that at least one owner of the property has a copy of specified documents and forms related to the contract, and to provide an oral confirmation of the key terms of an assessment contract with the property owner on the call or an authorized representative of the owner on the call that contains specified information.

[SB 338](#) **(Skinner D) Integrated resource plan: peak demand.**
Status: 9/30/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 389, Statutes of 2017.
Location: 9/30/2017-S. CHAPTERED
Summary: Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to adopt a process for each load-serving entity to file an integrated resource plan and a schedule for periodic updates to the plan to ensure that the load-serving entity meets the state's greenhouse gas emissions reduction targets and the requirement to procure at least 50% of its electricity from eligible renewable resources by December 31, 2030. This bill would require the commission and the governing boards of local publicly owned electric utilities to consider, as a part of the integrated resource plan process, the role of distributed energy resources and other specified energy- and efficiency-related tools, in helping to ensure that each load-serving entity or local publicly owned electric utility, as applicable, meets energy needs and reliability needs while reducing the need for new electricity generation and new transmission in achieving the state's energy goals at the least cost to ratepayers.

[SB 356](#) **(Skinner D) Energy data transparency.**
Status: 9/1/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(12). (Last location was APPR. on 8/23/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)
Location: 9/1/2017-A. 2 YEAR
Summary: Would require the PUC, by January 15, 2019, to direct each electrical corporation to make available electronically to the public certain information, including, among other things, pricing data for electricity, on the electrical corporation's Internet Web site. The bill would require electrical corporations to provide pricing data electronically to the PUC, as provided, within 3 months after a change in its rates. The bill would require the Independent System Operator to make available electronically to the public certain information regarding the operation of the transmission grid.

[SB 366](#) **(Levva D) Electrical corporations: Green Tariff Shared Renewables Program.**
Status: 7/14/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was U. & E. on

6/12/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 7/14/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: An electrical corporation is not required to offer the Green Tariff Shared Renewables Program once the nameplate rated generating capacity serving customers participating in the program reaches the utility's proportionate share of a statewide limitation of 600 megawatts. Of this amount, 100 megawatts are reserved for facilities that are no larger than one megawatt nameplate rated generating capacity and that are located in areas that the California Environmental Protection Agency has identified pursuant to law as the 20% most impacted and disadvantaged communities, 100 megawatts are reserved for participation by residential class customers, and 20 megawatts are reserved for the City of Davis. This bill would require the PUC to increase the 600-megawatt statewide limitation up to 800 megawatts, to the extent necessary to accommodate participation by low-income customers and projects located in disadvantaged communities, as specified.

SB 370

(Hertzberg D) Energy: solar storms.

Status: 9/8/2017-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on APPR.

Location: 9/8/2017-S. APPR.

Summary: Would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that will protect California ratepayers, businesses, and infrastructure from a catastrophe such as the Carrington Storm and would make various findings and declarations relating to the Carrington storm, solar storms, and energy.

SB 376

(Bradford D) State Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission: chair: report to the Legislature.

Status: 9/1/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(12). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 6/28/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 9/1/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law establishes the State Energy Research Conservation and Development Commission headed by a chair who is designated by the Governor and vests the commission with authority over various energy-related matters. Current law assigns various duties to the chair. This bill would require the chair to appear annually before the appropriate policy committees of the Senate and Assembly and to report on the commission's activities, as specified.

SB 385

(Hueso D) Public Utilities Commission: reports: programs: studies: ex parte communications.

Status: 10/2/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 425, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 10/2/2017-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: The California Constitution establishes the Public Utilities Commission and authorizes the commission to exercise ratemaking and rulemaking authority over all public utilities, as defined, subject to control by the Legislature. Current law requires the commission to report various information to the Legislature. This bill would move certain of the commission's reporting requirements within the Public Utilities Act to an article pertaining to reports by the commission to the Legislature and make other conforming changes.

SB 433

(Mendoza D) Gas corporations: zero-carbon and low-carbon hydrogen.

Status: 9/12/2017-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on U. & E.

Location: 9/8/2017-A. U. & E.

Summary: Would authorize the Public Utilities Commission to authorize a gas corporation to procure zero-carbon hydrogen, as defined, or low-carbon hydrogen, as defined, to serve customers or for another purpose stated in an application filed by the gas corporation. The bill would authorize a gas corporation to recover in rates the reasonable cost of pipeline infrastructure developed to deliver and transport the zero-carbon or low-carbon hydrogen. The bill would require the gas corporation to deliver any of that hydrogen procured from producers to end users through the pipeline system.

SB 460

(Hueso D) California Advanced Services Fund.

Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was E. U., & C. on 3/2/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/12/2017-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to give priority to projects that provide last-mile broadband access to households that are unserved by an existing facilities-based broadband provider. Current law authorizes the commission to collect a surcharge for deposit into the CASF not to exceed \$315,000,000 in total and authorizes the surcharge through 2020. Current law establishes that the goal of the program is, no later than December 31, 2015, to approve funding for infrastructure projects that will provide broadband access to no less than 98% of California households. This bill would postpone the deadline for meeting that goal until December 31, 2020.

[SB 492](#)

(Beall D) Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District: purchase of property: San Jose Water Company.

Status: 9/28/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 359, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 9/28/2017-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would authorize the San Jose Water Company to sell lands in the Upper Guadalupe watershed, including the Los Gatos Creek and Saratoga Creek watersheds, to the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District until January 1, 2023, as specified. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

[SB 514](#)

(Bradford D) California Teleconnect Fund Administrative Committee Fund.

Status: 5/26/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/25/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/26/2017-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to develop, implement, and administer a program to advance universal service by providing discounted rates to qualifying schools, community colleges, libraries, hospitals, health clinics, and community organizations. This bill would, beginning January 1, 2021, require entities that receive discounted rates for broadband services pursuant to the program to provide those services at a speed sufficient to support the delivery of high-speed broadband service.

[SB 518](#)

(Berryhill R) Sport fishing licenses: 12 consecutive month licenses.

Status: 9/15/2017-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on NAT. RES.

Location: 9/15/2017-A. NAT. RES.

Summary: This bill, in addition to sport fishing licenses for the periods specified above, would require a sport fishing license to be issued to a resident or nonresident for the period of 12 consecutive months, upon payment of a fee that is equal to 130% of the fees for issuance of resident or nonresident calendar-year licenses, as applicable.

[SB 520](#)

(Mitchell D) Electricity: intervenor funding.

Status: 9/1/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(12). (Last location was APPR. on 8/23/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 9/1/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would establish a mechanism to provide compensation for reasonable advocate's fees, reasonable expert witness fees, and other reasonable costs of participation in processes of the Independent System Operator (ISO) related to proceedings concerning transmission planning, the transmission access charge, energy markets, and regionalization. The bill would require an organization intending to seek compensation to submit an annual notice of intent and eligibility to the PUC containing specified information.

[SB 549](#)

(Bradford D) Public utilities: redirection of moneys authorized for maintenance, safety, or reliability.

Status: 9/25/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 284, Statutes of

2017.

Location: 9/25/2017-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would require an electrical or gas corporation to annually notify the Public Utilities Commission, as part of an ongoing proceeding or in a report otherwise required to be submitted to the commission, of each time that capital or expense revenue authorized by the commission for maintenance, safety, or reliability was redirected by the electrical or gas corporation to other purposes. The bill would require the commission to ensure that the notification is also made available in a timely fashion to the Office of the Safety Advocate, Office of Ratepayer Advocates, and parties on the service list of any relevant proceeding.

SB 566

(McGuire D) Telecommunications: Warren-911-Emergency Assistance Act: notification of rural outages.

Status: 4/28/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(2). (Last location was E. U., & C. on 3/2/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 4/28/2017-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require a facilities-based provider of telecommunications services that the Federal Communications Commission requires to provide access to 911 service to provide responder outage notification by email to the Office of Emergency Services whenever there is a rural outage, as defined, within 60 minutes of discovering the rural outage. The bill would make the Office of Emergency Services responsible for notifying any applicable county office of emergency services and the sheriff of any county affected by the outage.

SB 584

(Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review) Budget Act of 2017.

Status: 5/3/2017-Re-referred to Com. on B. & F.R.

Location: 5/3/2017-S. BUDGET & F.R.

Summary: This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact statutory changes relating to the Budget Act of 2017.

SB 598

(Hueso D) Public utilities: gas and electric service disconnections.

Status: 9/28/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 362, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 9/28/2017-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to develop policies, rules, or regulations with a goal of reducing, by January 1, 2024, the statewide level of gas and electric service disconnections for nonpayment by residential customers, as specified. The bill would require the commission in each gas and electrical corporation general rate case to, among other things, conduct an assessment of and properly identify the impact of any proposed increase in rates on disconnections for nonpayment.

SB 618

(Bradford D) Load-serving entities: integrated resource plans.

Status: 10/2/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 431, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 10/2/2017-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Would require that the integrated resource plan filed by a load-serving entity contribute to a diverse and balanced portfolio of resources needed to ensure a reliable electricity supply that provides optimal integration of renewable energy resources in a cost-effective manner, meets specified emissions reduction targets for greenhouse gases, and prevents cost shifting among load-serving entities. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.

SB 637

(Hill D) Public Utilities Commission: gas corporations: electrical corporations: safety.

Status: 5/26/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(5). (Last location was APPR. SUSPENSE FILE on 5/25/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/26/2017-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require the Public Utilities Commission to adopt a commission wide gas corporation and electrical corporation safety program that includes specified elements and would authorize the commission to adopt an organization wide safety program for other public utilities and specified non-

utilities that are also subject to the commission's regulatory jurisdiction. The bill would require gas corporations and electrical corporations to have effective programs to continually identify safety hazards and to analyze, assess, and mitigate or eliminate safety risks.

SB 649 **(Hueso D) Wireless telecommunications facilities.**

Status: 10/15/2017-Vetoed by the Governor

Location: 10/15/2017-S. VETOED

Summary: Current federal law recognizes the authority of a state or local government to manage public rights-of-way or to require fair and reasonable compensation from telecommunications providers, on a competitively neutral and nondiscriminatory basis, for the use of public rights-of-way on a nondiscriminatory basis, if the compensation required is publicly disclosed by that government. Current federal law provides that no state or local government has the authority to regulate the entry of, or the rates charged by, a commercial mobile service, but permits a state to regulate the other terms and conditions of commercial mobile services. This bill would provide that a small cell, as defined, is a permitted use, subject only to a specified permitting process adopted by a city or county, if the small cell meets specified requirements.

SB 692 **(Allen D) Transmission: transmission and wheeling access charges.**

Status: 7/21/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(11). (Last location was U. & E. on 5/26/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 7/21/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Current law provides for the establishment of an Independent System Operator (ISO) as a nonprofit public benefit corporation and requires the ISO to make certain filings with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and to seek authority from FERC as needed to give the ISO the ability to secure generating and transmission resources necessary to guarantee achievement of planning and operating reserve criteria no less stringent than those established by the Western Electricity Coordinating Council and the North American Electric Reliability Council. This bill would require the ISO to undertake a stakeholder initiative to consider modification of the billing determinants to which the operator applies the transmission and wheeling access charges, as specified.

SB 700 **(Wiener D) Energy Storage Initiative.**

Status: 7/14/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(10). (Last location was U. & E. on 6/15/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 7/14/2017-A. 2 YEAR

Summary: Would require the PUC to establish the Energy Storage Initiative to provide rebates to customers of electrical corporations for the installation of energy storage systems consistent with certain requirements. The bill would require the PUC to conduct a proceeding to determine an annual amount of moneys, within specified bounds, from calendar year 2018 through December 31, 2027, to be collected by electrical corporations to fund the Energy Storage Initiative.

SB 711 **(Hill D) Electrical corporations and gas corporations: rates and charges.**

Status: 10/3/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 467, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 10/3/2017-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current law requires the Public Utilities Commission to designate a baseline quantity of electricity and gas necessary for a significant portion of the reasonable energy needs of the average residential customer and to establish a higher energy allowance above the baseline for residential customers dependent on life-support equipment. This bill would require the commission to make efforts to minimize bill volatility for residential customers, including by modifying the length of baseline seasons or defining additional baseline seasons.

SB 724 **(Lara D) Oil and gas: wells and production facilities.**

Status: 10/10/2017-Approved by the Governor. Chaptered by Secretary of State. Chapter 652, Statutes of 2017.

Location: 10/10/2017-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: Current law requires the operator of a well to file a written notice of intention to commence drilling with, and prohibits any drilling until approval is given by, the supervisor or district deputy. Under existing law, the notice is deemed approved if the supervisor or district deputy fails to respond to the notice in writing within 10 working days from receipt and is deemed canceled if operations have not commenced within one year of receipt. This bill would extend the time period to commence operations from one year to 24 months before the notice is deemed canceled, would prohibit the notice from being extended, and would require the cancellation to be noted in the division's records.

SB 733

(Morrell R) Public Utilities Act: violations.

Status: 5/12/2017-Failed Deadline pursuant to Rule 61(a)(3). (Last location was RLS. on 2/17/2017)(May be acted upon Jan 2018)

Location: 5/12/2017-S. 2 YEAR

Summary: The Public Utilities Act provides that every person, either individually, or acting as an officer, agent, or employee of a corporation other than a public utility, violating any provision of the act or failing to comply with any part of any order, decision, rule, direction, demand, or requirement of the commission, or procuring, aiding, or abetting any public utility in a violation or noncompliance, in a case in which a penalty has not otherwise been provided, is guilty of a misdemeanor and is punishable by a fine not exceeding \$1,000, or by imprisonment in a county jail not exceeding one year, or by both that fine and imprisonment. This bill would make nonsubstantive changes to this provision.

SB 775

(Wieckowski D) California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006: market-based compliance mechanisms.

Status: 5/8/2017-May 10 hearing postponed by committee.

Location: 5/1/2017-S. E.Q.

Summary: The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. The act authorizes the state board to include use of market-based compliance mechanisms. Current law prohibits a state agency from linking a market-based compliance mechanism with any other state, province, or country unless the state agency notifies the Governor. Current law requires the Governor to issue specified findings within 45 days of receiving that notice from a state agency and to provide those findings to the Legislature. This bill would add to the findings required to be issued by the Governor and provided to the Legislature in those circumstances.

SB 801

(Stern D) Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility: electrical grid data: electricity demand reduction and response: energy storage solutions.

Status: 10/14/2017-Signed by the Governor

Location: 10/14/2017-S. CHAPTERED

Summary: This bill would require a local publicly owned electric utility that provides electric service to 250,000 or more customers within the Los Angeles Basin to make publicly available, upon request of any person, electrical grid data necessary or useful to enable distributed energy resource providers to target solutions that support reliability in the area where electrical reliability has been impacted as a result of reductions in gas storage capacity and gas deliverability resulting from the well failure at the Aliso Canyon natural gas storage facility.