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AB199	Public works: private residential projects.
Position	NEUTRAL (As amended April 6, 2017)
Author	Chu
Description	This bill instead require private residential projects built on private property that are built pursuant to an agreement with the state or a political subdivision to meet the requirements for projects that are defined as “public works,” thus expanding the types of projects that must meet these requirements.
AB375	Communications service providers: customer privacy.
Position	OPPOSE
Author	Chau
Description	Drastically restricts the ability of internet providers to use broad categories of information without providing any new protections for consumers.
AB378	Greenhouse gases, criteria air pollutants, and toxic air contaminants.
Position	OPPOSE
Author	Cristina Garcia (A) , Eduardo Garcia (A) , Holden (A)
Description	Directs the California Air Resources Board (ARB) to move California further from the cost-effective methods for reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and creates a complicated regulatory regime of costly direct control measures.
AB422	California State University: Doctor of Nursing Practice Degree Program.
Position	SUPPORT
Author	Arambula
Description	This bill would authorize the California State University to establish Doctor of Nursing Practice degree programs that offer Doctor of Nursing Practice degrees, subject to specified program and enrollment requirements. The bill would require the California State University to provide initial funding from within existing budgets, as specified, and would express the Legislature’s intent that the California State University seek private donations or other non-state funds to fund startup costs for the programs.
AB600	Manufacturing incentives.
Position	SUPPORT
Author	Cooper
Description	AB 600 and SB 600 would improve the Manufacturing/R&D tax incentive program, bringing the Program closer to its revenue-neutral targets and attracting more jobs and investment to California by: clarifying the definition of “useful life”; expanding the definition of a “qualified person” to include agricultural processors and producers of electric power from sources such as solar, wind, geothermal, etc.; and extending the program’s sunset date.

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AB805	County of San Diego: transportation agencies.	
Position	OPPOSE	
Author	Gonzalez Fletcher	
Description	This bill seeks to restructure the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) governance structure from the state level and sets a troubling precedent for local entities. The current makeup of SANDAG's board was derived through a consensus driven, local process including all local stakeholders.	
AB890	Land use: planning and zoning: initiatives.	
Position	OPPOSE	
Author	Medina	
Description	Would require that the city council of a city or the board of supervisors of a county have exclusive authority to adopt or amend a general plan, specific plan, zoning ordinance, or any other similar document, that would convert any discretionary land use approval necessary for a project to ministerial approval; change the land use or zoning designation of a parcel or parcels to a more intensive designation; or allow more intensive land uses within an existing land use designation or zoning designation.	
AB943	Land use regulations: local initiatives: voter approval.	
Position	SUPPORT	
Author	Santiago	
Description	This bill, in the case of an ordinance that would curb, delay, or deter growth or development within a city, require that an ordinance proposed by the voters or submitted by the legislative body of the city receive 2/3 of the votes cast on the ordinance in order to become effective.	
AB1000	Water conveyance: use of facility with unused capacity.	
Position	OPPOSE	
Author	Friedman	
Description	Seeks to create a new certification process for water conveyed in California's water transportation systems, which is both unprecedented and undefined. While the bill is targeted to negatively impact the Cadiz Valley Water Conservation, Recovery & Storage Project (Cadiz Water Project), a new water supply for 400,000 people in Southern California that OCBC supports, it also poses a potential threat to any new water transfer project in the state.	
AB1149	Workforce investment boards: funding.	
Position	SUPPORT	
Author	Arambula, Eduardo Garcia	
Description	A bill that would expand the list of the types of funds that can be leveraged by Local Workforce Development Boards (LWDBs) to meet their training expenditure mandate under SB 734 (M. DeSaulnier, Chapter 498, Statutes of 2011).	

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AB1171	Personal income taxes: return filing extension.
Position	SUPPORT
Author	Obernolte
Description	Urgency cleanup measure to remedy an unintended consequence of legislation enacted in 2016 that shortened the tax filing deadline for business partnership returns.
AB1250	Counties and cities: contracts for personal services.
Position	OPPOSE
Author	Jones-Sawyer
Description	The bill would require the county or city to clearly demonstrate that the proposed contract will result in actual overall costs savings to the county or city and also to show that the contract does not cause the displacement of county or city workers. Additionally, the bill would require the county or city to conduct an audit of the contract to determine whether cost savings have been realized and would require the contractor to reimburse the cost of the audit. The bill would impose additional disclosure requirements for contracts exceeding \$100,000 annually. The bill would exempt certain types of contracts from its provisions, and would exempt a chapter charter city from its provisions.
AB1274	Smog check: exemption.
Position	SUPPORT
Author	O'Donnell
Description	Exempts two additional model years of vehicles (model years 7 and 8) from motor vehicle inspection and maintenance program (smog check) requirements and assesses these vehicles a fee of \$24 per year for each year they are exempted.
AB1321	Education finance: fiscal transparency.
Position	SUPPORT
Author	Weber
Description	LCFF dollars have the potential to increase and improve services for English language learners, students from low-income families, and foster youth. But we need to know if additional funds generated by the law are reaching these students. Assembly Bill 1321 (Weber) will ensure that the state begins reporting actual school-level expenditures so that parents, students, community groups and the public can see where the dollars are going and effectively engage in the local planning and decision-making process to advocate for vulnerable students.
AB1512	Opioid Addiction Prevention and Rehabilitation Act.
Position	OPPOSE
Author	McCarty
Description	Unfairly imposes an excise tax on opioid distributors in California, which will increase their costs and force them to adopt measures that include reducing workforces and increasing drug prices for ill patients who need these medications the most, in order to fund drug prevention and rehabilitation programs that will benefit all of California.

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AB1565	Work hours: overtime compensation: executive, administrative, or professional employees.
Position	OPPOSE
Author	Thurmond
Description	Unnecessarily accelerates the minimum salary threshold for exempt employees, which will significantly increase costs especially on small employers, and changes the duties test that exempt employees must satisfy that will create confusion regarding how to classify employees as well as costly, class action litigation.
AB1701	Labor-related liabilities: original contractor.
Position	OPPOSE
Author	Thurmond
Description	Severely hurts unpaid workers who will now be forced to engage in lengthy litigation that will take years to resolve. Empowers trial lawyers to shakedown innocent parties and dramatically increase housing costs to cover trial lawyer abuse. Fails to hold unscrupulous contractors accountable for failure to pay their own employees and shifts liability to innocent parties that have already made payments meant for the workers of those contractors.
SB2	Building Homes and Jobs Act.
Position	SUPPORT
Author	Atkins
Description	The act imposes a \$75 fee on documents related to real estate transactions, excluding home/commercial property sales, with a cap of \$225 toward creating a permanent source of funding for affordable housing development.
SB3	Affordable Housing Bond Act of 2018.
Position	SUPPORT IF AMENDED
Author	Beall
Description	A \$3 billion bond proposal to generate more affordable housing units.
SB4	Medi-Cal: county organized health system: County of Orange.
Position	SUPPORT
Author	Mendoza
Description	Would codify the existing qualifications for the CalOptima board of directors.
SB33	Arbitration agreements.
Position	OPPOSE
Author	Dodd
Description	Discrimination Against Arbitration Agreements. Unfairly discriminates against arbitration agreements contained in contracts for goods and services and is likely preempted by the Federal Arbitration Act, which will lead to confusion and litigation, by prohibiting any mandatory arbitration agreement that requires an individual to waive any claims for fraud, identity theft, or wrongful use of personal identifying information.

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SB35	Planning and zoning: affordable housing: streamlined approval process.	
Position	SUPPORT IF AMENDED	
Author	Wiener	
Description	This bill would require the housing element portion of the annual report to be prepared through the use of standards, forms, and definitions adopted by the department.	
SB52	State Route 39.	
Position	SUPPORT	
Author	Newman	
Description	Authorize the California Transportation Commission to turn over the portion of State Route 39 in the City of Anaheim to the City.	
SB57	Natural gas storage: moratorium.	
Position	OPPOSE	
Author	Stern	
Description	Senate Bill 57 (Stern) would extend the moratorium on natural gas injections at the Aliso Canyon storage facility until the Root Cause SB 57 would also require the California Public Utilities Commission to complete its analysis regarding the need for the Aliso Canyon by the end of this year.	
SB63	Unlawful employment practice: parental leave.	
Position	OPPOSE	
Author	Jackson	
Description	Imposes New Maternity and Paternity Leave Mandate. Unduly burdens and increases costs of small employers with as few as 20 employees by requiring 12 weeks of protected employee leave for child bonding and exposes them to the threat of costly litigation.	
SB66	Income taxes: deductions: punitive damages.	
Position	OPPOSE	
Author	Wieckowski	
Description	This bill would disallow taxpayers from taking a tax deduction for punitive damages, which is something that is allowed by the Feds and most other states (the legislative analysis of the bill found that every state it surveyed allowed this deduction).	
SB86	The Taxpayer Transparency and Fairness Act of 2017: California Department of Tax and Fee Administration: Office of Tax Appeals: State Board of Equalization.	
Position	OPPOSE	
Author	Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review	
Description	the measures would remove all statutory functions at the State Board of Equalization (BOE) that currently are overseen by an elected body that was established by the State Constitution in 1879 to ensure protection of taxpayers' rights, proper application of tax laws and clarity of those laws. Instead, these functions would be moved into the state's bureaucracy under the direction of government appointees, effectively eliminating the direct accountability between elected officials and their constituents.	

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SB145	Autonomous vehicles: testing on public roads.
Position	SUPPORT
Author	Hill
Description	SB 145 eliminates a 180-day waiting period for companies that file an application to deploy driverless vehicles. The bill also eliminates a requirement that the DMV notify the Legislature each time such an application is submitted.
SB182	Transportation network company: participating drivers: single business license.
Position	SUPPORT
Author	Bradford
Description	Would streamline California's business license practices by allowing drivers for Lyft and Uber to purchase and use a single business license recognized across local jurisdictions.
SB187	Sport fishing licenses: duration.
Position	SUPPORT
Author	Berryhill
Description	Establish a fishing license that is valid for a full 12-months from the date of purchase.
SB349	Chronic dialysis clinics: staffing requirements.
Position	OPPOSE
Author	Lara
Description	Senate Bill 349 (Lara) which would mandate arbitrary staffing ratios at dialysis clinics, longer transition times between patients, and new inspections to be carried out by the Dept of Public Health. The measure would increase costs to our health care system, including Medi-Cal and reduce access to critical dialysis services.
SB574	University of California: contracts: bidding.
Position	OPPOSE
Author	Lara
Description	This bill, beginning January 1, 2019, would, for these purposes, require contracts for services involving an expenditure of \$100,000 or more annually to include any renewals or extensions of the contract that would result in an expenditure of \$100,000 or more annually.
SB567	Taxation.
Position	OPPOSE
Author	Lara
Description	Would make tax changes that de-conform California from federal tax law, raise the charitable remainder for trusts, and make foreign earned income includable in income apportioned to California for corporate tax purposes by eliminating the Water's Edge Election for California taxpayers.

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SB649	Wireless telecommunications facilities.
Position	SUPPORT
Author	Hueso
Description	SB 649 would make small wireless facilities installation a permitted use for zoning purposes, but local governments will retain oversight of an applicant's compliance with municipal building, safety, health and electrical codes and standards. Wireless providers will still be required to obtain building or encroachment permits and, as such, a municipality can deny any application that does not meet requirements set forth in its own codes and ordinances.
SB714	State Coastal Conservancy: West Coyote Hills Conservancy Program.
Position	OPPOSE
Author	Newman
Description	Would, until January 1, 2028, establish the West Coyote Hills Conservancy Program, to be administered by the State Coastal Conservancy and to undertake projects and award grants in the West Coyote Hills area, as described, for purposes relating to improvement of public access, and the protection, restoration, and enhancement of natural resources in the area.